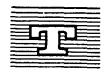
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PETITION FROM THE JAPAN CONGRESS AGAINST ATOMIC AND HYDROGEN BOMBS (GENSUIKIN) CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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27 May 1979

The Secretary-General United Nations New York, New York

As people from the country which suffered atomic bombing in the history of humankind we are dedicated to struggle for a world free of nuclear weapons and power plants and resulting nuclear waste. The Japan Congress Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs (GENSUIKIN) therefore supports any people in their struggle against any deployment or storage of nuclear weapons and waste in their country. We applaud and praise the people of Palau for their courage and foresight in writing the first constitution in the world that opposes the existence of this dreadful invention of man. We understand that because of the nuclear ban in the new Palau constitution, the Government of the United States of America now is not only working to remove the ban but is also actively aiding and abetting forces within Palau to subvert and kill the constitution before it comes to a vote. GENSUIKIN condemns United States actions as blatant interference in the internal affairs of Palau and a violation of its political and moral obligations as an Administering Authority under the Charter of the United Nations. GENSUIKIN strongly urges and prays that the United Nations Trusteeship Council and United Nations Decolonization Committee /Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples / protest against United States actions and support the courage Palauan people in their just struggle to protect their constitution and exercise their right to self-determination. GENSUIKIN further requests your office, the Council and the /Special/ Committee to ensure that the 9 July referendum on the constitution is not cancelled or postponed and to assist and observe the referendum.

> Sincerely, GENSUIKIN Saipan Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands