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PETITION FROM MR. BRUCE AKIZUKI, CHAIR, BAY AREA ASIANS FOR
NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE
PACIFIC ISLANDS

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The President
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United Nations
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Sir,

As Chair of the Bay Area Asians for Nuclear Disarmament (BAAND), an Asian American peace and disarmament organization in the Bay Area, we are quite disturbed over the situation in Belau. The situation in Belau is quite volatile and can hinder the quest for peace in the Asian Pacific region.

We are alarmed by the current instability and violence in Belau. We urge that there be no more foreign interference with the sovereign people of Belau. We want an immediate halt to all efforts to overturn the Compact of Free Association. Let the Belau people determine their future themselves. We urge the United States military bases out of Belau and adjacent islands (sic) and set up an elected government free of United States influence which is accountable to the Belauan people.

Also, we insist that Belau's economy be turned over to the people so that the country's economic policies won't be hostage to multinational corporations. We want Belau to develop its own independent economy using its own resources, like fishing and agriculture, which are native to the country.

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The deaths and terror in Belau must be stopped in order to have a peaceful solution in Belau. This means no more death threats, lay-offs, curfews, social service cuts and murders. These acts of intimidation must be stopped and condemned immediately.

We ask that an international body be set up to monitor the dangerous situation in Belau. This should not occur again! In addition, we insist on an audit of Belauan government finances, including who paid for the Compact plebiscites and where all the money goes.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Bruce AKIZUKI
Chair
