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COMMUNICATION RECEIVED FROM THE FOURTH PALAU LEGISLATURE, SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 1970, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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PALAU LEGISLATURE Koror, Falau Western Caroline Islands 96940

4 March 1970

President United Nations Trusteeship Council New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Resolution No. 4-28-3, which was adopted by the Fourth Palau Legislature, Second Special Session, 1970.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Sylvester F. ALONZ Secretary

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FOURTH PALAU LEGISLATURE Second Special Session 1970 RESOLUTION No. 4-2S-3

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the High Commissioner and the Palau District Administrator to take such steps as are necessary to obtain the services of a Civic Action Team for the Palau District to assist the Trust Territory Government in fulfilling its obligations under the Trusteeship Agreement and the Trust Territory Code.

WHEREAS, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands is administered by the United States of America under a Trusteeship Agreement with the United Nations Security Council; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States by Executive Order vested the authority for the administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands in the Secretary of Interior; and the Secretary of Interior by Secretarial Order vested the executive authority of the Government of the Trust Territory, and the responsibility for carrying out the international obligations undertaken by the United States with respect to the Trust Territory, in the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, the Covernment of the Trust Territory, under the provisions of the Trust Territory Code, has primary responsibility for, in addition to other things, the construction and maintenance of primary roads and harbor facilities used extensively for activities serving the whole or a major part of a district; and

WHEREAS, the Government of the Trust Territory, through the Secretary of Interior and the High Commissioner, has thus far proven unable to rulfill its responsibility and obligations under the Trusteeship Agreement and the Trust Territory Code, particularly in the construction and maintenance of primary roads and habor facilities used extensively for activities serving the whole or a major part of a district; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense has offered to assist the Secretary of Interior and the High Commissioner in fulfilling the obligations of the United States of America in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands by offering the services of the United States Navy Civic Action Teams to the districts of the Trust Territory; and

WHEREAS, the Trust Territory Government has budgeted funds for the support of these Civic Action Teams in the Trust Territory; and

WHEREAS, although these Civic Action Teams have been offered to assist the local communities in the districts of the Trust Territory in construction and other projects, this is often impossible because the local communities do not have the necessary funds or free labor for the support of the Civic Action Teams; and

WHEREAS, in the Palau District the construction and maintenance of primary roads and habor facilities is a higher priority than local community projects; and

WHEREAS, the Government of the Trust Territory, by being unable to fulfill its obligations in the Palau District, has demonstrated a need for the assistance offered by the Department of Defense; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Palau Legislature, Second Special Session, 1970, that the High Commissioner and the Palau District Administrator be and are hereby requested to take such steps as are necessary to obtain the services of a Civic Action Team for the Palau District to assist the Trust Territory Government in fulfilling its obligations under the Trusteeship Agreement and the Trust Territory Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of Interior, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Navy, the High Commissioner, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia, the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, and the Palau District Administrator.

Adopted 19 February 1970

(Signed) Itelbang Luii, Speaker

Attest:

(Signed) Sylvester F. Alonz, Secretary