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PALAU LEGISLATURE

KOROR, PALAU WESTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS 96940

18 November 1970

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

Sir:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of resolution No. 70(2)-5, which was adopted by the Palau Legislature.

Respectfully,

(<u>Signed</u>)

Sylvester F. Alonz Secretary

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FOURTH PALAU LEGISLATURE

RESOLUTION No. 70(2)-5

Sixth Regular Session, October, 1970

A RESOLUTION

Endorsing Free Association with the United States of America,

WHEREAS, the determination of the future political status of Micronesia involves a question of the utmost moment; and

WHEREAS, an expression of viewpoint from the district legislatures as representatives of the people of the districts is both desirable and necessary to the scheme of democratic government; and

WHEREAS, the Palau Legislature strongly insists that the four basic principles and legal rights enumerated in the report of the Political Status Delegation of the Congress of Micronesia must be mandatory components of any eventual political status; and

WHEREAS, the Palau Legislature feels that some type of governmental relationship of a free and voluntary nature with the United States is in the best interests of the people of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, the characteristics of free association as outlined in the report of the Political Status Delegation most closely define that relationship which would advance the development of Micronesia to the fullest while promoting those democratic institutions which constitute a vital role in the attainment of self-government; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Falau Legislature, Sixth Regular Session, October 1970, that the Palau Legislature hereby endorses Free Association with the United States of America as outlined in the Report of the Future Political Status Delegation of the Congress of Micronesia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Future Political Status Delegation of the Congress of Micronesia, members of the United States Delegation to the political status negotiations, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia, Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, High Commissioner, and District Administrator.

Adopted 14 October 1970

(<u>Signed</u>) Itelbank Luii, Speaker (<u>Signed</u>) Sylvester F. Alowz, Secretary