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COMMUNICATION FROM THE KOROR MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, PALAU,  
CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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KOROR MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

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KOROR MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION No. 4-73

A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the people of Koror Municipality through the Ngarameketii of Koror and Koror Municipal Council concerning the limestone islands located within the geographical boundaries of Koror Municipality.

WHEREAS, the limestone islands, popularly known as "rock islands", which are located within the geographical boundaries of Koror Municipality, which boundaries are essentially identified to the boundaries of the traditional villages of Koror, have been since time immemorial and are intended to be forever under the collective ownership of the people of Koror; and

WHEREAS, the leasing of said individual limestone islands or portions thereof has been contrary to the public policy; the traditional use of said limestone islands; and contrary to the wishes of the people of Koror as they have repeatedly opposed to such leasing of limestone islands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council and traditional leaders of Koror, assembled, that it is the sense of the people of Koror Municipality, expressed through the Ngarameketii of Koror and Koror Municipal Council, that all outstanding leases of said limestone islands or portions thereof be terminated and no such new leases be granted to anyone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the people of Koror Municipality are ready and prepared to effectuate the purpose of this resolution by any means necessary, including the use of physical force, in order to prevent the Trust Territory Government from exercising any right to negotiate with, distribute as leases to anyone, or authorize in any manner the use of said limestone islands; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Presidents of both the Trusteeship Council and Security Council of the United Nations, the Secretary of the Department of Interior, Ambassador F. Haydn Williams, the Chairman and members of the Joint Committee on Future Status, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia, the Attorney General, the High Commissioner, the Director of Resources and Development, the District Administrator, the District Land Management Officer, and the Speaker of the Palau District Legislature.

Adopted: 15 August 1973

Certified by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) Rubasch FRITZ  
Mayor, Koror Municipality

Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sokok OLKERIIL  
Koror Municipal Clerk