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PETITION FROM MS. SARA E. RIOS, STAFF ATTORNEY, CENTER FOR  
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF  
THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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3 May 1988

H.E. Mr. John Birch  
President  
Trusteeship Council  
United Nations  
New York, N.Y. 10017

Re: Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
Republic of Palau

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to request an opportunity to speak before the Trusteeship Council. As you know, the Center for Constitutional Rights is representing the plaintiffs in Fritz v. Salii, a suit challenging the amendment of Palau's Constitution and the subsequent Compact of Free Association vote. It is of great importance that recent developments in that suit be reported to the Trusteeship Council.

Since our clients are, I understand, scheduled to speak on 12 May 1988, I would request time to speak on the same day. If that is not possible, I would request the alternate day of 13 May.

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Please inform me of your decision at your earliest opportunity. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Sara E. RIOS  
Staff Attorney

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