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COMMUNICATION FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, FIRST OLBIIL
ERA KELULAU (PALAU NATIONAL CONGRESS), CONCERNING THE
TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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House of Delegates.
First Olbiil Era Kelulau
(Palau National Congress)

Koror State
REPUBLIC OF PALAU
96940

27 July 1982

The Honourable Paul Poudade
President
Trusteeship Council
United Nations
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honour to transmit herewith a certified copy of House resolution
No. 1-0022-7 which was adopted by the House of Delegates, First Olbiil Era Kelulau,
seventh regular session, 1982.

Respectfully yours,

Evans IMETENGEL
House Chief Clerk

Attachment

FIRST OLBIIL ERA KELULAU

Seventh Regular Session, July 1982

House Resolution No. 1-0022-7

A HOUSE RESOLUTION

Requesting and urging the President to direct and instruct the Ambassador for Status Negotiations and Trade Relations to press for an early and successful conclusion of the political status negotiations with the United States.

WHEREAS, the negotiations for political status with the United States of America in the form of compact of free association first began under the authority of the Congress of Micronesia more than a decade ago; and

WHEREAS, Palau, in an earlier referendum, endorsed by a majority vote the establishment of a political relationship with the United States in the form of free association to be embodied in a compact; and

WHEREAS, Palau, both under the Congress of Micronesia and since attaining separate legal status from the rest of Micronesia, resumed and has continued to negotiate for the compact of free association; and

WHEREAS, Palau initialled the compact of free association together with three subsidiary agreements in 1980 with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Status Negotiations and Trade Relations has been duly established by the President and is presently headed by Ambassador Lazarus E. Salii; and

WHEREAS, the compact of free association together with the related subsidiary agreements are subject to the approval of both the Senate and the House of Delegates, Olbiil Era Kelulau, prior to their submissions to the people of Palau for their approval in a special referendum for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the House of Delegates to see an orderly termination of the Trusteeship Agreement 1/ at the earliest date possible; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the House of Delegates that it is in the best interests of all concerned to have an early and successful conclusion of the political status negotiations with the United States; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, seventh regular session, First Olbiil Era Kelulau, that the President of the Republic of Palau is hereby requested and urged to direct and instruct the Ambassador for Status Negotiations and Trade Relations to press for an early and successful conclusion of the political status negotiations with the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President, Ambassador Lazarus E. Salii, the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Ambassador Fred Zeder, the Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior Pedro San Juan, the President of the United Nations Trusteeship Council and the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

ADOPTED: 26 July 1982

AS ATTESTED TO AND CERTIFIED BY:

(Signed) Carlos H. SALII
Speaker
House of Delegates

(Signed) Evans IMETENGEL
House Chief Clerk

Notes

1/ Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
(United Nations publication, Sales No. 1957, VI.A.1)
