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PETITION FROM THE REVEREND JAMES A. JACKSON, JUSTICE AND PEACE DIRECTOR,
MARYKNOLL FATHERS AND BROTHERS IN HAWAII, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY
OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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SACRED HEART CHURCH
1701 Wilder Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

16 December 1982

The Secretary
Trusteeship Council
United Nations
New York, N. Y. 10017

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you asking that you please do what you can to postpone the
10 February plebiscite in Palau.

Given the facts that negotiations on the compact of free association were
still going on here in Honolulu in late November, that the Palau Legislature in
December requested negotiations of substantial nature and that the 10-day strike of
government workers caused difficulties, it seems that were the 10 February date be
held, there would be little time for the people to be prepared to understand all
that is contained in the agreement.

The good of the people should surely be taken into consideration on this very
vital matter which will so affect their lives.

Please do what you can to postpone the date of the plebiscite.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter, I remain,

Sincerely,

(Signed) Rev. James A. JACKSON, M.M.
Justice and Peace Director
Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers
in Hawaii