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House of Delegates

FIRST OLBIIL ERA KELULAU

(PALAU NATIONAL CONGRESS)

KUROR STATE REPUBLIC OF PALAU 96940

1 March 1983

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

Dear Mr. Poudade:

I have the honour to transmit herewith a certified copy of House resolution No. 1-0028-6S, HD1, HD2, which was adopted by the House of Delegates, First <u>Olbiil</u> <u>Era Kelulau</u>, sixth special session, 1983.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Evans IMETENGEL House Chief Clerk

Attachment

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FIRST OLBIIL ERA KELULAU

Sixth special session, February 1983 House Resolution No. 1-0028-65, HD1, HD2

A HOUSE RESOLUTION

Urging the United States Congress to approve and ratify the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the Republic of Palau.

WHEREAS, under the Trusteeship Agreement 1/ between the United States and the United Nations governing the former Japanese mandated islands, the United States as an Administering Authority assumed the obligations to promote the political, economic and social advancement of the Palauan people toward self-government or independence as may be appropriate to the circumstances of the people concerned; and

WHEREAS, on 10 February 1983, in an act of political self-determination, the people of the Republic of Palau voted and ratified the Compact of Free Association as negotiated and signed on 26 August 1982 by United States Ambassador Fred M. Zeder, II and Republic of Palau Ambassador Lazarus Salii; and

WHEREAS, in view of the result of the votes on section 314 of the Compact, it is now mandatory that the United States and Palau should renegotiate a new Compact section on harmful substances or in the alternative, delete the said section completely from the Compact of Free Association; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the House of Delegates of the Palau National Congress that section 314 of the Compact can be excised from the Compact of Free Association without jeopardizing the integrity of the Compact and that the Compact could be put into effect without such section on harmful substance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Delegates of the First <u>Olbiil Era Kelulau</u>, sixth special session, February 1983, that it is the sense of the Palau National Congress that the United States Congress be and the same is hereby respectfully urged and requested to approve and ratify the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the Republic of Palau and allow the same to go into effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this House Resolution shall be transmitted to the President of the United States of America, Ronald Reagan; President <u>pro tempore</u> of the United States Senate, Strom Thurmond; Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.; Chairman of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, Morris K. Udall; Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Charles H. Percy; Senators Spark M. Matsunaga and Daniel K. Inouye; United States Ambassador Fred M. Zeder, II; High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Janet McCoy; President of the Republic

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of Palau, Haruo I. Remeliik; Palau Ambassador Lazarus Salii; the governors of the several states of Palau; and the United Nations Trusteeship Council.

ADOPTED: 25 February 1983

AS CERTIFIED BY AND ATTESTED TO:

(<u>Signed</u>) Carlos H. SALII, Speaker House of Delegates

> (Signed) Evans IMETENGEL House Chief Clerk

Notes

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