AGREEMENT BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF PALAU
REGARDING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF
THE COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau:

Recognizing that the Compact of Free Association, signed by the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau on January 10, 1986 (the Compact), has, along with its related agreements, been approved by the Government of Palau and the Government of the United States of America in accordance with their respective constitutional processes and with Section 411(b) of the Compact; and

Reaffirming the common interest of the United States of America and Palau in creating a close and mutually beneficial relationship through a free and voluntary association of their governments; and

Desiring to bring the Compact fully into effect at the earliest possible date for their mutual benefit; and

Recognizing their common desire to terminate application of the Trusteeship Agreement to Palau;

NOW, THEREFORE, AGREE that the Compact shall enter into force and effect on the date specified in this agreement.

ARTICLE I

ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPACT

1. EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE COMPACT

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau agree, pursuant to Section 411 of the Compact, that the effective date of the Compact shall be October 1, 1994, at one minute past one o'clock post meridiem, local time in Palau (the "Effective Date"), provided that the requirements of Section 101(1) of United States Public Law 101-219 (December 12, 1989), have been met. If those requirements have not been met as of October 1, 1994, the Effective Date shall be agreed to by an exchange of letters between the two governments at the earliest possible date following satisfaction of those requirements.

Entry into force of the Compact shall be effected by Proclamation of the President of the United States.

2. ANNIVERSARY DATES

For the purpose of the Compact and its related agreements and notwithstanding any change in the Effective Date, the first anniversary of the Effective Date of the Compact and its related agreements shall be October 1, 1995; the fifteenth anniversary shall be October 1, 2009; and the fiftieth anniversary shall be October 1, 2044.

ARTICLE II

EFFECTIVE DATE, AMENDMENT, TERMINATION AND ACCEPTANCE

1. EFFECTIVE DATE

This agreement shall come into effect upon signature by the signatory governments.

2. AMENDMENT

This agreement may be amended at any time by the written mutual consent of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau.

3. TERMINATION BY MUTUAL CONSENT

This agreement may be terminated at any time by the written mutual consent of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau.

4. UNILATERAL TERMINATION

This agreement may be terminated unilaterally by either the Government of the United States of America or the Government of Palau prior to the effective date of the Compact as specified in Article I of this agreement, such termination to be effective on the date specified in the written notice of termination by the notifying government to the other government but not earlier than the date of delivery of such notice. the time specified in the notice of termination may be extended by the notifying government.

5. ACCEPTANCE

This agreement may be accepted, by signature or otherwise, by the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized, have signed this agreement regarding the implementation of the Compact of Free Association, which shall come into effect in accordance with its terms.

DONE AT WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF JULY, NINETEEN HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR

FOR THE GOVERNMENT

OF

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Winston Lord

Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs

FOR THE GOVERNMENT

PALAÚ

Kuniwo Nakamura President