

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 02**  
[repealed by Executive Order 32]  
*Establishment of Special Presidential  
Task Force on Power Station*

**WHEREAS**, the electrical power plays a vital role in maintaining and developing the present level of health, education, social and economy in the Republic of Palau. The basic needs of daily living of a good number of citizens and business and governmental activities in Palau are dependent largely upon the electrical power. Electrical power has become the primary and only source of power in Palau from which the general livelihood and well-being of the citizens of the Republic of Palau is breathing.

**WHEREAS**, electrical power in Palau is grossly inadequate to meet the rising demand of the citizens of Palau. It is, and has been, undependable, irregular, and even during the electrical power hours, the power fluctuates. This has cost lots of money and inconvenience to the citizens of Palau. These problems arose at the beginning of the United States administration and continue to get worse due to the insufficient number of generators available and in operation in Palau and also due to lack of well trained personnel to maintain the generators.

**WHEREAS**, there are total of eight (8) diesel fuel generators in the present power station in the Republic of Palau-three (3) of which are owned by the United States Army and are on loan to Palau. Of these eight generators, four (4) are currently operating including one United States Army generator. They are capable of producing 2,200 kilowatt hours whereas Palau's minimum electrical power requirement is 2,800 kilowatt hours. The generators that are running are fairly old and been undergone many repairs. The condition of these generators is very poor. They have been running for eight (8) years without overhaul. They are now in need of major overhaul. Their condition have reached the stage close to irreparable and should they breakdown again, repairing or rebuilding same may require substantial amount of time and money. Those generators are the only ones running and available. They run continuously without any stand-by generators and thus, with their present conditions, they are being put under a strain which they may not be able to withstand for a short time. Should these generators quit, there will be a power outage in Palau for an indefinite period of time.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republic of Palau, I do hereby create and establish a Special Presidential Task Force and delineate thereto its duties and responsibilities as follows:

(1) To study of the present and existing problems of the power station in Palau and prepare and submit to the President no later than September 30, 1981, a recommendation to resolve the present and immediate electrical power problem and a recommendation for a permanent power station for a long range plan.

(2) To negotiate and initiate any contract, or agreement with a foreign or domestic company, for the final approval of the President of the Republic of Palau, for obtaining and installing generators or constructing power station to meet the immediate electrical

power problems or for a long range plan.

(3) To undertake a feasibility study, negotiate and prepare a contract or agreement for approval of the President of the Republic of Palau on obtaining loans for the purpose of financing, constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining a power station in the Republic of Palau.

(4) To undertake such other duties and responsibilities as may be directed by the President of the Republic of Palau.

The task force shall first meet at the call of the President to organize itself and elect such officers as may be necessary. The Vice President of the Republic of Palau shall be the Chairman of the task force.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force and effect until the assignment of the task force is completed.

***IN WITNESS HEREOF***, I have unto set my hand and affix my signature this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 1981.

Haruo I. Remeliik  
President  
Republic of Palau