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1. Miki's last minute efforts to alter Bonins arrangements, particularly on nuclear issue, leave us with the same sour taste as they did you. We think that exchange of oral statements you have worked out is certainly most that we could hope for given Miki's insistence on reference to Sato's January 27 speech. It appears to protect integrity of our arrangement on nucs. We would of course, as you, have preferred no such exchange. You can be assured that if Miki does try to tamper with this formulation at last minute, you will have our full support in not going through with signing.

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2. At my request, Sneider spoke last night informally to Amb. Shimoda to register our unhappiness with Miki's last minute operations, particularly on nucs. / We doubt whether this

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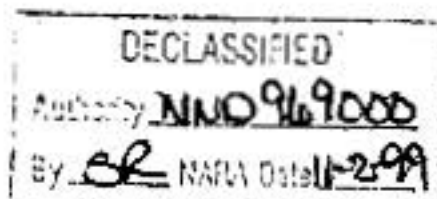
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will have much effect, but it may bolster top level FonOff efforts to block any further tampering by Miki. In any event, it will register again our full support for position you have taken. As you can imagine, Shimoda likewise astonished by Miki's ploy.

3. New ~~xx~~ Suribachi draft (ref B) does look like improvement over original draft and we have received no unfavorable ~~xxx~~ reactions here -- except of course on general premise of changing what we thought was agreed drafts.

4. You and all others in Embassy who involved in Bonins negotiations have our highest respect. We know ^{how} ~~most~~ tough these negotiations have been ~~and everyone is involved~~ for you. You have held up our end to ~~xxxxx~~ everyone's satisfaction.
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