

**MINUTES OF DISCUSSIONS  
ON  
THE BASIC DESIGN STUDY  
ON  
THE PROJECT FOR  
IMPROVEMENT OF FISHERY INFRASTRUCTURE IN KAYANGEL  
STATE  
IN  
THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU**

In response to a request from the Government of the Republic of Palau (hereinafter referred to as "the Government of Palau"), the Government of Japan decided to conduct a Basic Design Study on the project for Improvement of Fishery Infrastructure in Kayangel State (hereinafter referred to as "the Project") and entrusted the study to the Japan International Cooperation Agency (hereinafter referred to as "JICA").

JICA sent to Palau the basic design study team (hereinafter referred to as "the Team"), which is headed by Mr. Motoyuki UEGAKI, Deputy Director, Office of Technical Coordination and Examination, Grant Aid Management Department, JICA, and is scheduled to stay in the country from 1 July to 29 July, 2001.

The Team held discussions with the officials concerned of the Government of Palau.

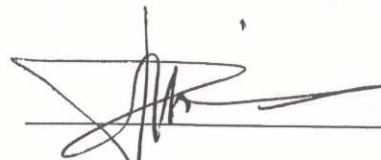
In the course of discussions, both parties have confirmed the main items described on the attached sheets. The Team will proceed to further works and prepare the Basic Design Study Report.

Koror, 6 July, 2001

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## ATTACHMENT

### 1. Objective

The objective of the Project is to transport foods including marine products, medical supplies, fuel and other necessities of life from and to Koror, the civic, administrative and commercial center of the Republic of Palau through improvement of the jetty, dredging the access channel and supply of appropriate equipment.

### 2. Project Site

The site of the Project is Kayangel State as shown in Annex-1.

### 3. Responsible and Implementing Agency

The Ministry of Resources and Development is responsible for the execution of the project. Operation/maintenance of the facilities and equipment are the responsibility of the Kayangel State Government, while oversight responsibility rests upon the National Government.

### 4. Components requested by Palau Government

The components requested by the Palau Government are presented herein below.

- Jetty construction
- Dredging of Ulach Channel to widen and deepen down to at least DL-2.5 meter
- Installation of four (4) light beacons
- Loading/unloading equipment

JICA will assess the appropriateness of the request and will recommend to the Government of Japan for approval. However, the final components of the Project will be decided after further study.

### 5. Japan's Grant Aid Scheme

5-1. Palau side has fully understood the Japan's Grant Aid Scheme explained by the Team, as described in Annex-2.

5-2. Palau side will undertake the necessary measures, as described in Annex-3, for smooth implementation of the Project, as a condition for the Japanese Grant Aid to be implemented.

### 6. Schedule of the Study

6-1. The consultants will proceed to gather field information, socioeconomic data and other relevant information related to the proposed project in Palau until 28 July, 2001.

6-2. JICA will prepare the draft report in English and will dispatch a mission in order to explain its contents around October 2001.

6-3. In case the contents of the report is accepted in principle by the Government of Palau. JICA will complete the final report and send it to the Government of Palau by January 2002.

## 7. Other relevant issues

7-1. Palau side pointed out that one of the important objectives of the project is to improve transport facilities for multi-purpose activities, not only marine products, but also other materials and commodities including daily necessities.

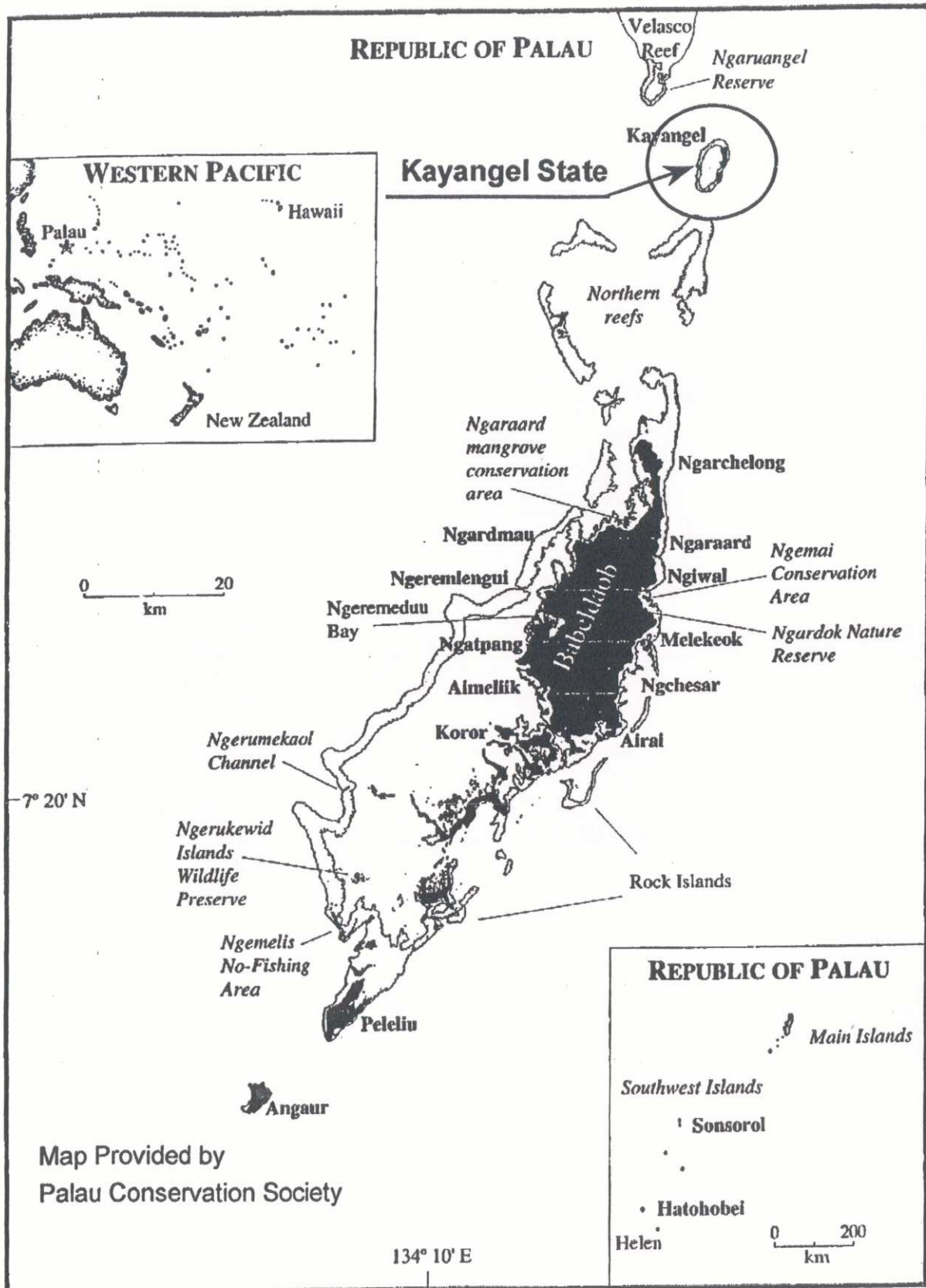
7-2. Palau side explained that light beacons are an important component of this project because they provide for the safety of fishing and other boats (boat to evacuate a sick person to the hospital in Koror) navigating in and out of the channel at night. The Team will further examine the justification on this matter.

7-3. Palau side is responsible for securing the site(s) and undertaking of any necessary site(s) clearance. And they will provide the Team with candidate deposit site(s) for the dredged materials in Kayangel Island.

7-4. If necessary, Palau side will assist a contractor for securing an appropriate construction yard in Koror.

7-5. Palau side will obtain environmental permit(s) for the proposed project including dredging and earth-moving works at the earliest time so as to facilitate the smooth implementation of the project. The consultant will provide technical data and support in the preparation of the application for appropriate permit(s) as far as possible.

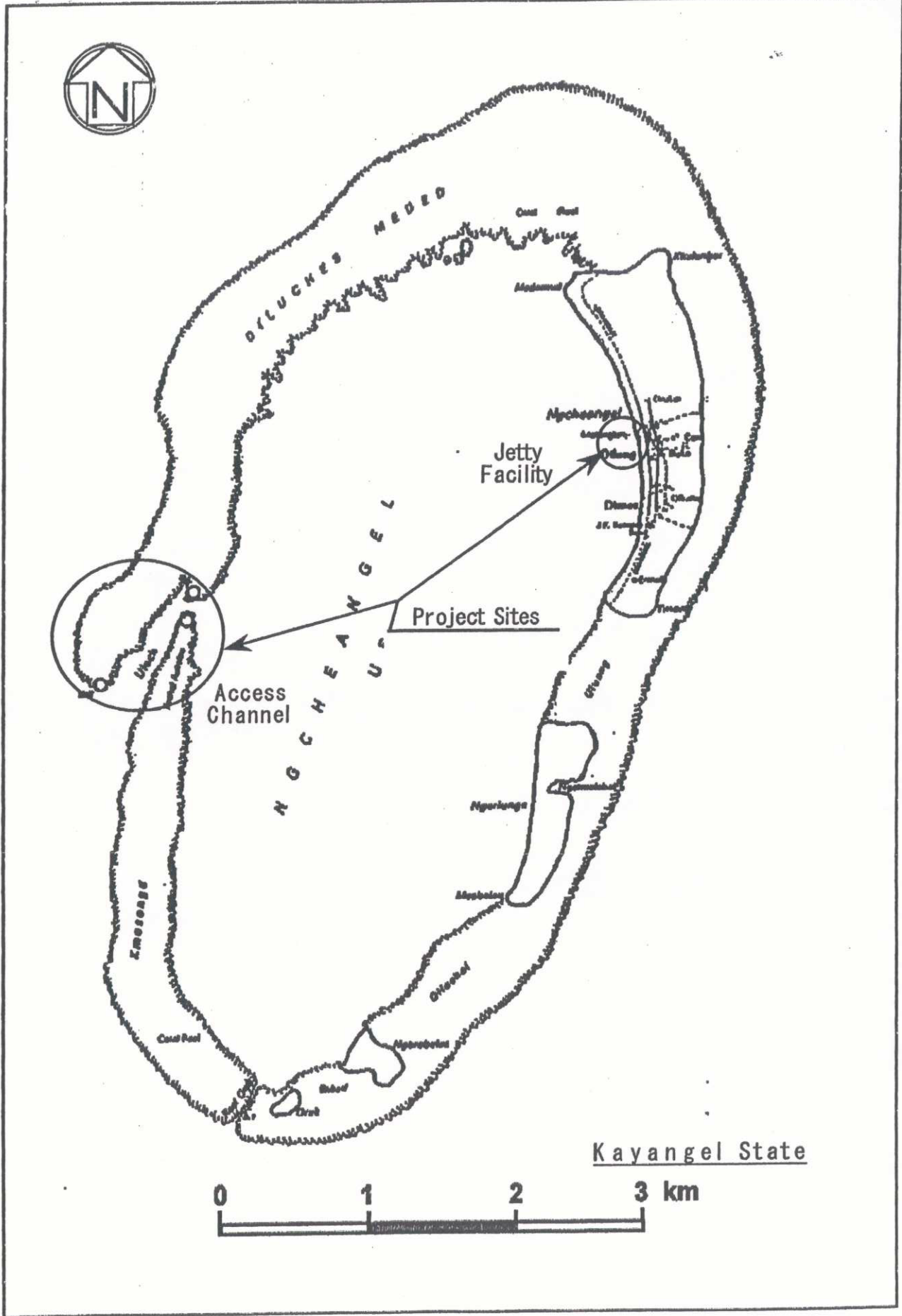
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Location Map of Kayangel State

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Location Map of Project Site in Kayangel State

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