

From: McDermott, Joseph
To: [Bowman, Randal](#)
Subject: Re: Telephone Call
Date: Friday, July 07, 2017 8:48:39 AM

Very good. I will set that up with Mitzie when she and I speak this afternoon, EDT.

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 9:47 AM, Bowman, Randal <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Good idea, and 5 Monday is open.

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 9:46 AM, McDermott, Joseph <joseph_mcdermott@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Ah, I see. Unfortunately, Mitzie Jessop Taase has to be in the American Samoa Senate today up until just before 5 p.m., EDT (10 a.m., SST). I think that I will keep the time for the call with Mitzie, and I will get her up to speed a bit, and then we three can have a conference call this coming Monday, July 10th. Is 5 p.m., EDT, this coming Monday all right for you?

On Thu, Jul 6, 2017 at 9:29 PM, Bowman, Randal <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I have a briefing with the Secretary's office from 5-6 tomorrow, only thing on my schedule (naturally). Could we do this either earlier or later?

On Thu, Jul 6, 2017 at 7:13 PM, McDermott, Joseph <joseph_mcdermott@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

RANDY: Mitzie Jessop Taase, Counsel to the American Samoa Senate, will speak with you and me tomorrow (Friday) at 5 p.m., EDT.

MITZIE: Many thanks. I will telephone you tomorrow (Friday) at 11 a.m., SST, and I will use (684) 252-5209. Most grateful.

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- from December 10, 1900, in the Division of Insular Affairs, and
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- the Office of Territorial Affairs on July 1, 1971
- the Office of Territorial and International Affairs on June 6, 1980, and
- the Office of Insular Affairs on August 4, 1995

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