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RE PC PROGRAM IN MICRONESIA

PC/W TEAM FLEW 9,000 MILES AROUND PACIFIC TRUST TERRITORY EXPLORING PC PROGRAM POSSIBILITIES, VISITING TEN ISLANDS IN CAROLINAS, MARSHALLS, AND MARIANAS. NEED FOR ASSISTANCE STAGGERING AND ENTHUSIASM MICRONESIAN AUTHORITIES BOUNDLESS ALTHOUGH MEDICAL FACILITIES AND LOGISTICS PRESENT VARYING AMOUNTS DIFFICULTY DEPENDING INDIVIDUAL ISLAND SITUATION. PC/W TEAM RECOMMENDS MODEST BEGINNING FY 62 WITH TWO PROJECTS FOR 100 PCV'S AND FOUR LEADERS TO MEET PRIORITY MICRONESIAN NEEDS. MICRONESIAN LEADERS AND U.S. OFFICIALS HAVE APPROVED FOLLOWING:

FIRST PROJECT TO BEGIN TRAINING FEBRUARY PROVIDES 40 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORTED SCHOOLS. MICRONESIAN ABILITY PROVIDE QUALIFIED ENGLISH SPEAKING TEACHERS HOPELESSLY INADEQUATE. SECOND PROJECT TO BEGIN TRAINING MAY OR JUNE CALLS FOR 60 PCV'S AND FOUR LEADERS FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF FOUR RELATIVELY UNTOUCHED ISLANDS WHERE LARGE AREA AND POPULATION MAKE DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH FEASIBLE. PCV'S WOULD WORK AS INTEGRATED TEAMS ON FOUR ISLANDS TO REHABILITATE ROADS: ASSIST COOPERATIVES AND HEALTH CLINICS; IMPROVE SANITATION, AGRICULTURE AND FISHING: TEACH ELEMENTARY AND VOCATIONAL SUBJECTS. PROJECTS COULD BE STAFFED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY WITH HUMANITIES GRADUATES POSSESSING SECONDARY SPECIALIZED SKILLS. AND 2 TRAINING SUFFICIENT PROVIDE ALL AROUND TALENTS NECESSARY CARRY OUT PROJECTS SUCCESSFULLY. THIS APPROACH WARMLY ENDORSED TRUST TERRITORY AUTHORITIES BECAUSE NARROW SKILL SPECIALIZATION UNNECESSARY AND EVEN COUNTERPRODUCTIVE FOR INTEGRATED ISLAND DEVELOPMENT. PCF 104 TO BE SUBMITTED BY AIR POUCH. PC/W

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