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SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST

TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Public Law 87-541, dated July 19, 1962, changed the monetary limitation by establishing a \$15,000,000 ceiling for the current fiscal year with a \$17,500,000 ceiling authorized for subsequent years.

Passage of the above law enabled the Trust Territory to take two significant actions in asking for additional funds amounting to a total of \$7,290,000, as a supplemental request to the FY 1962 budget.

First, the Trust Territory asked for \$3,890,000 immediately to start construction of new schools as the first step in the new elementary school program. With this money, Trust Territory plans to build and equip 234 new classrooms and 104 houses for teachers' quarters, in time for the beginning of the September, 1963 school term.

Secondly, the Trust Territory was able to restore \$3,400,000 of its original FY 1963 budget request. Approval of this money was deferred pending enactment of the law cited above, which allowed a sufficient ceiling for restoration of this money. Practically all of this money is necessary to continue the large-scale construction program to replace worn-out World War II temporary construction of hospitals and public utilities.

This supplemental request has been approved by the House and reported out favorably by the Senate Appropriations Committee. But, final action has not been completed at this writing; although there is every reason to believe the money will be appropriated and subsequently approved by the President to use in FY 1963.

**Note: Senate also approved request but Congress adjourned before it could take final action on appropriation measure.**

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