

home that task requires us to test the ability of Government and business firms to work together in new and imaginative ways toward consistent objectives. We wish to explore new frontiers in Government-business relations because we cannot afford not to. As Pope Paul has said in his last encyclical, "the new name for peace is development."

And in this all of us have a stake.

## Pacific Islands Trust Territory To Receive Additional Funds

*Statement by President Johnson*

White House press release dated May 10

I have today [May 10] signed S. 303, amending the law authorizing funds for the government of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.<sup>1</sup>

Present law authorizes the appropriation of \$17.5 million annually. S. 303 increases that authorization, for fiscal 1967, to \$25 million. For fiscal 1968 and 1969, it raises the figure to \$35 million—double today's amount.

The United States has an obligation, under the terms of our trusteeship agreement with the United Nations, to promote the educational, social, political, and economic development of the Trust Territory—where 90,000 people inhabit 2,000 islands scattered over more than 3 million square miles of the Western Pacific.

We have made an appreciable start toward meeting that obligation—though a great deal remains to be done to raise living standards in the islands.

From my visit to American Samoa in October of last year, and from conversations with leaders of the Trust Territory in Guam last March,<sup>2</sup> I know of the urgency that attends this responsibility. I am happy to sign into law a measure that recognizes that ur-

<sup>1</sup> As enacted, S. 303 is Public Law, 90-16.

<sup>2</sup> For background, see BULLETIN of Apr. 10, 1967, p. 598.

gency and allows us to respond to it meaningfully.

I have already asked that the Congress appropriate additional funds, both this year and next, so that among other projects we can build schools, hospitals, roads, airfields, and communication facilities, hire teachers and doctors and nurses, and provide for the economic development of the area. We are working to help the people of the islands become self-reliant, and ultimately joined in a full relationship with other nations bordering the Pacific.

Another beneficial feature of the bill I am signing today is the recognition it gives to the presence of our Peace Corps volunteers in this area. They are serving at the request of the people of the Trust Territory in education, health, public works, and community development work. They represent a vital expression of America's interest in the islands.

### TREATY INFORMATION

## Current Actions

### MULTILATERAL

#### Labor

Instrument for the amendment of the constitution of the International Labor Organization. Dated at Montreal October 9, 1946. Entered into force April 20, 1948. TIAS 1868.

*Admission to membership:* Barbados, May 8, 1967.

#### Maritime Matters

Amendment to the convention on the Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization (TIAS 4044). Adopted at London September 15, 1964.<sup>1</sup>

*Proclaimed by the President:* May 10, 1967.

Convention on facilitation of international maritime traffic, with annex. Done at London April 9, 1965. Entered into force March 5, 1967; for the United States May 16, 1967.

*Proclaimed by the President:* May 10, 1967.

#### Publications

Agreement relating to the repression of the circula-

<sup>1</sup> Not in force.