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STATUS TALKS)

PALAU, APRIL 10, (MNS)---UNITED STATES AND MICRONESIAN DELEGATES TO THE STATUS TALKS NOW UNDERWAY IN PALAU HAVE COMPLETED THEIR FIRST WEEK OF NEGOTIATIONS. SPOKESMAN FOR EACH SIDE HAVE INDICATED THAT FIVE MAJOR TOPICS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED IN THE VARIOUS FORMAL MEETINGS OF THE DELEGATIONS.

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THESE AREAS ARE DEFENSE, FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TERMINATION OF ANY FUTURE COMPACT OF ASSOCIATION, FINANCING AND THE PROCESS OF TRANSITION FROM THE PRESENT GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE TO WHATEVER FORM THE FUTURE GOVERNMENT OF MICRONESIA MIGHT TAKE.

SO FAR, THERE HAVE BEEN FOUR JOINT MEETINGS OF THE TWO GROUPS, INCLUDING LAST WEEK'S PRESENTATION OF OPENING STATEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMEN OF THE NEGOTIATING TEAMS, AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS AND SENATOR LAZARUS SALII.

AT THE MEETING ON SATURDAY (APRIL 8) THE UNITED STATES PRESENTED SOME FURTHER THOUGHTS ON THE ISSUE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. THE MICRONESIAN REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE SECOND HALF OF THE FIFTY-MINUTE SESSION, PRESENTED POSITION PAPERS ON THE TOPIC OF FUTURE FINANCING AND THE MATTER OF TRANSITION. WHILE THERE HAVE BEEN NO FURTHER JOINT STATEMENTS RELEASED, IT IS EXPECTED THAT BOTH THE U.S. AND MICRONESIAN DELEGATIONS WILL ISSUE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR PRESENTATIONS WHEN THE MEETINGS CONCLUDE SOMETIME THIS WEEK.

(PALAU DISTRICT LEGISLATURE)

PALAU, APRIL 10, (MNS)---THE PALAU DISTRICT LEGISLATURE CONTINUED INTO THE SECOND WEEK OF ITS CURRENT SESSION MONDAY (APRIL 10), WITH SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS AND BILLS BEFORE IT.

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ALL OF THE BILLS UNDER CONSIDERATION ARE APPROPRIATION MEASURES WHICH WILL FUND THE VARIOUS ON-GOING PROJECTS OF THE LEGISLATURE IN PALAU DISTRICT.

AMONG THE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED SO FAR ARE TWO WHICH ARE OF

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SPECIAL INTEREST TO THE U.S. AND MICRONESIAN DELEGATIONS TO THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS TALKS NOW UNDERWAY IN PALAU. EACH OF THE RESOLUTIONS DEAL WITH THE STATUS ISSUE, ONE OF THEM, INTRODUCED LAST WEEK BY LEGISLATOR TADAO NGOTEL, IS EXPLAINED IN IT TITLE, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS: "A RESOLUTION STATING THE SENSE OF THE PALAU DISTRICT LEGISLATURE THAT THE CHIEFS AND THE PEOPLE OF PALAU ARE COMPLETELY OPPOSED TO THE PRESENCE OF ANY MILITARY PERSONNEL AND INSTALLATIONS OF ANY COUNTRY OR GOVERNMENT WITHIN PALAU DISTRICT, AND THAT THE PALAU DISTRICT SHOULD BE DECLARED A NEUTRAL ZONE WITHOUT MILITARY ACTIVITY.

IN THE BODY OF THAT RESOLUTION, IT IS EXPLAINED THAT THE LEGISLATURE FEELS THE PRESENCE OF THE MILITARY IN PALAU WILL INEVITABLY HAVE PROFOUND POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS ON THE PALAU COMMUNITY. IT IS ALSO NOTED THAT THE U.S. HAS PROPOSED TO ACQUIRE LAND WITHIN THE PALAU DISTRICT FOR MILITARY PURPOSES, AND CONTINUES WITH THE STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION TO THESE PLANS.

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THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE STATUS TALKS HAS REPEATED IN THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS THAT THE U.S. DOES NOT NOW FORESEE ANY REQUIREMENT FOR DEFENSE LAND IN PALAU. BUT IT HAS ALSO INDICATED THAT IT SHOULD LIKE AN OPTION TO USE LAND IN PALAU FOR DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS SHOULD THE NEED ARISE.

A SECOND RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AT THE SESSION ON MONDAY BY LEGISLATOR RONALD SAKUMA ENDORSES INDEPENDENCE AS THE MOST DESIRABLE POLITICAL STATUS FOR THE PEOPLE OF PALAU DISTRICT. THIS RESOLUTION NOTES THAT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA IN 1969 ENDORSED INDEPENDENCE AS THE ALTERNATE POLITICAL STATUS FOR MICRONESIA TO A FREE ASSOCIATION STATUS WITH THE UNITED STATES, AND EXPRESSES THE OPINION THAT IT IS THE POSITION OF THE CHIEFS AND ELECTED LEADERS OF PALAU THAT THE U.S. HAS NOT RESPONDED TO THE FOUR ESSENTIAL AND NON-NEGOTIABLE BASIC RIGHTS AND PRINCIPLES OF FREE ASSOCIATION AS DEFINED BY THE CONGRESS. IN ADDITION TO ENDORSING INDEPENDENCE FOR PALAU DISTRICT, THE RESOLUTION FURTHER URGES THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA TO NEGOTIATE FOR INDEPENDENCE FOR ALL OF MICRONESIA WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

THERE ARE SEVERAL OTHER RESOLUTIONS OF INTEREST WHICH HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED. ONE OF THEM REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED

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STATES AND THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD TO GRANT AN AIRLINE ROUTE TO QUANTAS AIRWAYS OF AUSTRALIA AND AIR MICRONESIA TO FLY BETWEEN PORT MORESBY, NEW GUINEA AND PALAU DISTRICT. THE OTHER RESOLUTION THANKS THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA FOR MEETING IN PALAU THIS YEAR AND INVITES THE CONGRESS BACK FOR THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTH CONGRESS WHICH WILL CONVENE IN JANUARY 1973.

NON OF THE RESOLUTIONS HAS YET PASSED IN FINAL FORM. THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE PALAU LEGISLATURE IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE UNTIL NEXT WEEK.

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(DISTRICT SUPPLY OFFICERS CONFERENCE)

SAIPAN, APRIL 10, (MNS)---A MEETING OF TRUST TERRITORY DISTRICT SUPPLY OFFICERS GOT UNDERWAY ON SAIPAN MONDAY (APRIL 10) AND WILL RUN FOR ABOUT A WEEK.

AT THE OPENING DAY OF THE CONFERENCE, TRUST TERRITORY DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN AND FINANCE DIRECTOR RONALD

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PETERSON WELCOMED THE DISTRICT SUPPLY OFFICERS TO SAIPAN. THE MEETING WILL ALSO INCLUDE OTHER GUEST SPEAKERS FROM THE TT FINANCE DEPARTMENT AS THE CONFERENCE PROGRESSES.

THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING WILL GENERALLY FOCUS ON BOTH HEAD-QUARTERS AND DISTRICT PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY OPERATIONS. TOWARD THE FINAL DAYS OF THE CONFERENCE, PARTICIPANTS WILL MEET AND DISCUSS DISTRICT SUPPLY PROBLEMS AND FIND OUT WAYS OF SOLVING THEM. (CALENDARS AVAILABLE)

SAIPAN, APRIL 10, (MNS)---THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT'S PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION HAS RECEIVED A SHIPMENT OF 1972 MICRONESIA CALENDARS. THE CALENDARS ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED FREE OF CHARGE TO EACH MUNICIPALITY IN ALL SIX DISTRICTS.

ALTHOUGH THE CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED SEVERAL MONTHS LATE, IT IS BELIEVED THAT MANY PEOPLE WILL STILL WANT TO HAVE ONE BECAUSE OF THE MANY BEAUTIFUL, COLOR PICTURES OF MICRONESIA WHICH ARE INCLUDED. PICTURES FROM ALL SIX DISTRICTS ARE FEATURED, AND THE CALENDAR ALSO CONTAINS A MAP OF THE TRUST TERRITORY AND A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE AREA.

DISTRIBUTION SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIX WEEKS TO TWO MONTHS. AFTER THAT TIME, PERSONS DESIRING ADDITIONAL COPIES MAY CONTACT THE PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION ON SAIPAN. THE CALENDARS ARE INTENDED

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PRIMARILY FOR DISTRIBUTION TO MICRONESIAN FAMILIES WITHIN MICRONESIA. (NOTE EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: THERE WILL BE NO RADIO WIRE WITH TODAY'S MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICES DISPATCH.)

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