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SUBJECT: TTPI - MARIANAS DISTRICT FUTURE STATUS

1. SPECIAL SESSION MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE CONTINUES
CONSIDER VARIOUS MEASURES RELATED FUTURE STATUS MARIANA ISLANDS.
MONDAY AND TUESDAY DEVOTED TO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON BILL WHICH WOULD
ESTABLISH MARIANAS STATUS COMMISSION. ADOPTION BILL EXPECTED LATE
TODAY OR TOMORROW TOGETHER WITH RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING MARIANAS
ASPIRATIONS FOR POLITICAL UNION WITH U.S. (LEGISLATURE HAS ALREADY

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ADOPTED ONE RESOLUTION COMMENDING SENATOR PANGELINAN AND REP
GUERRERO FOR THEIR ACTIONS DURING PALAU TALKS.)

2. ALTHOUGH PROCEEDINGS HAVE BEEN IN CHAMORRO LANGUAGE,
UNDERSTAND ALL TESTIMONY ON STATUS COMMISSION BILL BY ALL GROUPS
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS HAS BEEN FAVORABLE. (THIS INCLUDES TERRITORIAL
PARTY AND UNITED CAROLINEAN ASSOCIATION.) SOME GROUPS HAVE, HOWEVER,
PRESSED FOR GREATER REPRESENTATION ON COMMISSION THAN IS
PROVIDED IN BILL AS INTRODUCED. FURTHER, FAVORABLE TSTIMONY FOR
STABLISHMENT STATUS COMMISSIONSHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE READ TO
MEAN THERE IS NOW A CONSENSUS BY ALL POLITICAL GROUPINGS ON NATURE
HARIANAS FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS.



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3. DETAIL ON PUBLIC HEARINGS TERTIMONY SHOULD BE AVAILABLE LATER THIS WEEK WHEN ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEXT REPORT PUBLISHED. WILL TRANSIT FULL TEXTS SATUS COMMISSION BILL AND ACCOMPANYING RESOLUTION WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN ADOPTED. DORRANCE

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