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THE MICRONESIAN SEMINAR IS SPONSORING A WEEK-LONG SEMINAR ON



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THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY, TO BE HELD FROM JUNE 3 TO 9 IN PONAPE. INVITATIONS ARE BEING ISSUED TO ONE DOZEN PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE IN MICRONESIA, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, POLITICAL AFFAIRS PERSONNEL FROM THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT, JESUIT PRIESTS

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AND OTHERS ENGAGED IN POLITICAL EDUCATION.

THE MICRONESIAN SEMINAR IS AN ORGANIZATION CREATED AND RUN UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CATHOLIC MISSION FOR THE STUDY OF CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS IN MICRONESIA. ACCORDING TO THE LETTER OF INVITATION FROM FATHER FRANCIS X. HEZEL, S.J., SEMINAR DIRECTOR, THE JUNE MEETING WILL NOT BE "SIMPLY AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE POLITICAL STATUS QUESTION.

"WE FEEL THAT, GIVEN THE CALIBER OF PERSON WHO WILL ATTEND THE SEMINAR, WE CAN PRESUME A FAMILIARITY WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE CHOICE OF POLITICAL STATUS FOR MICRONESIA," SAID FATHER HEZEL. "WHAT WE WOULD HOPE TO DO IS REFLECT ON THE MORAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE STATUS QUESTION. IT IS OUR FURTHER HOPE THAT THE FRUITS OF THIS DISCUSSION AND REFLECTION COULD BE USED IN POLITICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, WHETHER THESE WERE INITIATED BY THE CHURCH, THE TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTRATION, THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, OR PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS..."

FATHER HEZEL GOES ON TO LIST SOME OF THE "MORAL ISSUES" THAT WILL LIKELY BE DISCUSSED BY THE SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING:

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WHETHER OR NOT GENUINE DEVELOPMENT IS POSSIBLE WHILE A NATION IS DEPENDENT UPON A FOREIGN POWER;

THE MEANING OF POLITICAL SOVEREIGNTY AND THE RIGHT OF A PEOPLE TO FULL SOVEREIGNTY;

WHETHER LOSS OF CULTURAL IDENTITY AND AN ATTENDANT LOSS OF DIGNITY IS THE RESULT OF PERMANENT POLITICAL AFFILIATION WITH A WORLD POWER;

THE RISK TO A PEOPLE'S SELF-RESPECT IN THE CREATION OF

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A BEGGAR NATION!

THE DANGER OF MILITARY DOMINATION AND IMMORAL USE OF LAND FOR MILITARY PURPOSES IN THE EVENT OF ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES!

MICRONESIA'S RESPONSIBILITY TO WORLD SECURITY AND PEACE; AND THE RISK OF EXCESSIVE NATIONALISM IN THE CHOICE OF STATUS.

FATHER HEZEL SAID IN HIS INVITATION THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA TO "TAKE TO HEART MORAL CONCERNS SUCH AS THESE IN WEIGHING THE ALTERNATIVES RELATED TO THE CHOICE OF POLITICAL STATUS. THROUGH A FOLLOW-UP SERIES OF GENERAL POLITICAL EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

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AND IN-COMMUNITY PROGRAMS THE MICRONESIAN SEMINAR WORLD WORK TO HAVE THE REFLECTIONS THAT COME OUT OF (THE) MEETING ON PONAPE REACH THE ORDINARY MICRONESIAN CITIZEN. THE SEMINAR ON PONAPE," HE CONCLUDED, "IS ONLY A BEGINNING TO WHAT WE ENVISION AS A CONTINUING POLITICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM."

(GUAM CONFAB)

SAIPAN APRIL 4 (MNS)--A TRUST TERRITORY DELEGATION HEADED BY DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN WILL ATTEND THE 4TH ANNUAL GUAM ECONOMIC CONFERENCE MAY 17-18.

THE CONFERENCE ANNUALLY BRINGS TOGETHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS FROM THE PACIFIC AND OTHER AREAS OF SIMILAR DEVELOPMENT INTERESTS TO DISCUSS MUTUAL PROBLEMS AND SHARE MUTUAL EXPERIENCES. IT IS SPONSORED BY THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

THE DEPARTMENT'S INVITATION SAID THIS YEAR'S CONFERENCE "WILL FOCUS ON LESSONS FROM THE EXPERIENCE OF ISLAND COMMUNITIES WITH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OR HISTORIES SOMEWHAT SIMILAR TO OUR OWN."

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LESSONS WILL BE DRAWN, THE DEPARTMENT SAID, FROM THEIR DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE OF MODERN AND THE COMMONWEALTH

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OF PUERTO RICO AND SINGAPORE, WITH REPRESENTATIVES AND SPEAKERS FROM THESE AREAS, JAPAN, THE U.S. MAINLAND AND GUAM.

DETAILED DISCUSSION AS THE "DO'S" AND DON'TS" OF DEVELOP DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS AND INCENTIVES FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SYSTEMS OF DEVELOPING AREAS WILL HIGHLIGHT THE CONFERENCE.

OTHER DISCUSSIONS DURING THE TWO-DAY CONFERENCE WILL BE: THE AMERICAN ECONOMIC POLICY IN THE PACIFIC, "JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN THE PACIFIC," GUAM 1972--AN ECONOMIC ROUNDUP, AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY IN GUAM--AN APPRAISAL AND EVALUATION.

INVESTORS WORKSHOPS WILL PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON PREVAILING ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND PROJECTIONS AS WELL AS ON ESTABLISHING OR EXPANDING A BUSINESS AND INCENTIVES FOR DOING SO ON GUAM, THE PROGRAM ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DECLARED.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE COPIES OF CURRENT OFFICIAL ECONOMIC PUBLICATIONS OF GOV GUAM, TO INCLUDE THE ANNUAL ECONOMIC REPORT, 1972; THE 1972 STATISTICAL ABSTRACT;

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