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THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MARIANAS AND OTHER DISTRICTS AS PART OF THE TRUST TERRITORY DOES NOT PROVIDED LEGAL OR MORAL BASIS TO DENY A FULLY EXPRESSED WISH OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS TO PURSUE A POLITICAL ENTITY OF THEIR OWN, SEPARATE FROM THE REST OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS. THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS HAVE NEVER BEEN CONSULTED BY FORMER COLONIAL POWERS, OR EXPRESSED THE DESIRE TO BE IDENTIFIED AS

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A POLITICAL ENTITY PART OF MICRONESIA. MICRONESIA IS A GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION RATHER THAN POLITICAL ENTITY. I TRUST YOU WOULD SUPPORT THE FULLY EXPRESSED WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF THEIR POLITICAL ASPIRATION. MY OBSERVATION IS 95 PER CENT OF THE PEOPLE IN MARIANAS WANT SEPARATE POLITICAL ENTITY FROM THE REST OF MICRONESIA. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORK WITH OUR FRIENDS IN MICRONESIA FOR AMICABLE RELATIONSHIP IN SOCIAL ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL FIELD FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF SEPARATE POLITICAL ENTITY. END MESSAGE
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IN THE TRUST TERRITORY, OFFICIALS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY AND THE UNITED STATES BEGAN THEIR ANNUAL REPORT TO THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEESHIP ON FRIDAY, JUNE 8. AMBASSADOR SCHAUFFELE, WHO IS ACTING AS PRINCIPAL UNITED STATES SPOKESMAN FOR THE 1973 TRUSTEESHIP HEARING REFERED TO BOTH THE AUSTRALIAN TRUST TERRITORY OF PAPUA/NEW GUINEA AND THE U.S. PACIFIC TRUST TERRITORY WHEN HE SAID THAT THERE IS AMPLE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE OBSERVATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN THE TERRITORY DURING THE PAST YEAR. AND

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HE CONTINUED, IN HIS WORDS, "WE BELIEVE THAT IN MICRONESIA TOO THERE HAS ALSO BEEN SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS." THIS IS PERHAPS ONLY NATURAL HE SAID, AS BOTH OF THE TERRITORIES ARE RAPIDLY APPROACHING A NEW STATUS, WHICH IN EACH CASE WILL END THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT.

AMBASSADOR SCHAUFFELE WAS ONE OF THE FOUR PRINCIPLE SPEAKERS ON THE OPENING DAY OF HEARINGS FOR THE PACIFIC TRUST TERRITORY. HE WAS FOLLOWED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD E. JOHNSTON AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT, AND BY TWO MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, SENATOR ANDON AMARAICH OF TRUK, APPEARING FOR THE THIRD TIME BEFORE THE COUNCIL--THE LAST TIME WAS JUST LAST YEAR--AND REPRESENTATIVE JOAB SIGRAH OF KUSAIE, ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, SENATOR LAZARUS SALII OF PALAU, WAS AN ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING, BUT MADE NO PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL.

IN HIS REMARKS AMBASSADOR SCHAUFFELE FOR THE MOST PART REVIEWED THE PROGRESS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY--BOTH THE TALKS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA JOINT COMMITTEE OF FUTURE STATUS AND THE MEETINGS JUST RECENTLY CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE MARIANA ISLANDS

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DISTRICT STATUS COMMISSION. BUT BEFORE HE BEGAN HIS COMMENTS ON THE STATUS QUESTION, THE AMBASSADOR SPOKE BRIEFLY ON THE 1973 REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS VISITING MISSION, WHICH WAS SOMEWHAT CRITICAL OF CERTAIN ASPECTS OF U.S. ADMINISTRATION OF

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THE TERRITORY, HE SAID:" WE HAVE BEGUN OUR STUDY OF THE FINDINGS SET FORTH IN THE VISITING MISSION REPORT, AND WE WILL CERTAINLY GAIN NEW IDEAS AND PERSPECTIVES FROM THEM. A PRELIMINARY READING, HOWEVER, INDICATES SOME AREAS IN WHICH WE MUST TAKE EXCEPTION TO THE JUDGEMENT MADE BY THE MISSION. WE WILL MAKE OUR SPECIFIC EXCEPTIONS CLEAR DURING THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING," HE SAID, BUT DO NOT WISH THEM TO DEPRIVE FROM OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE HARD WORK DONE BY THE MISSION."

WHAT FOLLOWED WAS A REVIEW OF THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS FROM THE CONCLUSION OF THE KOROR/PALAU TALKS IN APRIL 1972 THROUGH THE MEETING WHICH ENDED ON JUNE 4TH ON SAIPAN REGARDING THE MARIANAS DISTRICT. OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE AMBASSADOR TOUCHED ON IN HIS REVIEW OF EVENTS FROM THE PAST YEAR INCLUDED COMMENTS ON THE LAW OF THE SEA DISCUSSIONS IN WHICH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA HAS BEEN INVOLVED RECENTLY. SCHAUFFELE NOTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN CONSULTATION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA MATTER

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BETWEEN THE MICRONESIAN REPRESENTATIVES AND U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS; CONSULTATIONS WHICH ARE AIMED AT RESOLVING DIFFERENCES IN APPROACHES OF JURISDICTION OVER THE OCEAN WATERS ADJACENT TO THE ISLANDS OF MICRONESIA. THE AMBASSADOR INDICATED THAT FURTHER CONSULTATIONS WERE TO BE CARRIED OUT LATER THIS YEAR WITH THE HOPE THAT THE MICRONESIAN POSITION WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO A U.S. POSITION FOR PRESENTATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SOUTH AMERICA IN 1974. SCHAUFFELE ALSO SAID THAT IF THE MICRONESIAN POSITION ON THIS MATTER COULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE U.S. STATEMENT, A METHOD WOULD BE CONSIDERED WHEREBY THE MICRONESIAN POSITION COULD BE PRESENTED AT THIS CONFERENCE IN WHAT HE CALLED A "TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE MANNER." THE LAW OF THE SEA POSITION HAS BEEN UNDER STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA CHAIRED BY SENATOR ANDON AMARAICH, WHO MADE COMMENTS ON THE MATTER LATER IN THE MEETING DURING HIS OWN STATEMENT TO THE COUNCIL.

SCHAUFFELE ALSO REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL THAT THE TRUST TERRITORY HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED TO THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL TO BECOME AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF ECAFE, THE

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ECONOMIC COUNCIL FOR ASIA AND THE FAR EAST. WHEN THE RECOMMENDATION HAS BEEN ACTED UPON BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, THE TRUST TERRITORY, HE SAID, COULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS SUCH AS MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

IN CONCLUDING HIS REMARKS THE AMBASSADOR INTRODUCED THE HIGH COMMISSIONER AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY DELEGATION.

HIGH COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON'S REMARKS WERE LARGELY DEVOTED TO THE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OF THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS, SINCE HE LAST APPEARED BEFORE THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL IN 1972. AND FOR THE HIGH COMMISSIONER, THIS YEAR'S HEARING REPRESENTS THE FIFTH TIME THAT HE HAS REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL. THE HICOM COVERED A LARGE SPECTRUM OF ACTIVITIES OF THE TRUST TERRITORY, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING AREAS: ON POLITICAL EDUCATION, THE HICOM NOTED THAT AGAIN THIS YEAR THE ENTIRE PROCEEDING OF THE U.N. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL WILL BE BROADCAST IN THE SIX DISTRICTS OF THE TERRITORY, AND THE SUMMARY REPORTS FROM THE HEARINGS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS ARE BEING TRANSMITTED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO THE TERRITORY WITH THE USE OF THE NEW PEACESAT, COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE.

JOHNSTON OUTLINED THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE TRUST TERRITORY AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION TO CARRY OUT A

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TERRITORY-WIDE CENSUS LATER THIS YEAR. HE REVIEWED PROGRESS
OF THE BIKINI/ENIWETOK REHABILITATION PROGRAM, AND SPOKE OF
EFFORTS UNDERWAY TO RELIEVE POPULATION PRESSURE ON CROWDED

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EBEYE ISLAND. IN THIS REGARD, THE HIGH COMMISSIONER REPORTED CONTINUED PROGRESS IN MASTER PLANNING FOR A COMMUNITY ON NEARBY CARLSON ISLAND AND THE IMMINENT MOVE FROM EBEYE OF ABOUT 150 MARSHALLESE TO EBANON ISLAND IN THE NORTHERN KWAJALEIN ATOLL.

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER NOTED THE PASSAGE OF THE TRUST TERRITORY HOUSING LAW AND REPORTED ON THE FIRST STAGES OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT LAW, SETTING UP THE TERRITORIAL HOUSING COMMISSION. HE ALSO REPORTED ON THE OPENING OF THE NEW MAJURO AIRFIELD IN DECEMBER AND SEVERAL IMPENDING IMPROVEMENTS AT OTHER TT AIRFIELDS. BUT, HE HAD ALSO TO REPORT THAT THE PICTURE IN SEA TRANSPORTATION, WITH THE TRUST TERRITORY'S "EXCLUSIVE CARRIER" SHIPPING LINE TRANSPAC, IS NOT SO BRIGHT. BOTH THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, HE SAID, ARE GIVING THIS MATTER EVERY CONSIDERATION SO THAT THE CITIZENS OF MICRONESIA WILL BE PROVIDED WITH REGULAR SHIPPING SCHEDULES.

IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION THERE WAS MUCH TO POINT TO FROM THE PAST YEARS; THE OPERATIONS OF THE MICRONESIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION, FOR EXAMPLE, AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A MICRONESIAN DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; THE INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT INSTRUCTION OF MICRONESIAN STUDENTS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FIELDS AND THE INCREASES IN SCHOOL FACILITIES ESPECIALLY IN THE EASTERN DISTRICTS OF THE TERRITORY, THE MARSHALLS, PONAPE AND TRUK.

MR. JOHNSTON SAID THAT MICRONESIA HAD NOW REACHED A

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TURNING POINT IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SAID THAT THE THREE MAJOR AREAS FOR DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, MARINE RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURE, ARE NOW GROWING AT A MORE RAPID PACE THAN IN THE PAST. HE SAID THAT NEW HOTELS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, AND POINTED OUT THAT MOST OF THEM ARE BEING BUILT BY MICRONESIANS CITIZENS. HE NOTED THAT TOURIST COMMISSIONS CONTINUE TO FUNCTION IN EACH OF THE SIX DISTRICTS.

IN FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT HE POINTED TO THE BOAT BUILDING

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PROGRAM IN PONAPE, AND THE RECENT DECISIONS IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS DISTRICT TO AFFILIATE A MICRONESIAN COMPANY WITH THE DEL MONTE SEAFOOD COMPANY. IN AGRICULTURE, THE HICOM AGAIN NOTED POULTRY, AND EGG PRODUCTION, THE DEVELOPMENT OF PIGGERIES, AND FORWARD MOVEMENT IN THE PRODUCTION OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

IN ADDITION MR. JOHNSTON TOUCHED BRIEFLY ON RECENT ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BANK OF MICRONESIA, REPORTING ON THEIR RECENT RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS INSTITUTION FUNCTION INITIALLY AS A DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR THE AREA.

OTHER AREAS OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS DEALT WITH

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RECENT APPOINTMENTS OF MICRONESIANS TO HIGH GOVERNMENT POSTS; ALSO WITH THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE TERRITORY BY PEACE CORPS PROGRAMS, AND FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS WHO NOW MAKE UP ABOUT ONE-SIXTH OF THE EXPATRIATE WORK FORCE IN MICRONESIA; ALSO THE RECENT REORGANIZATION OF THE TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON; AND THE PROGRESS IN THE PAYMENT OF WAR AND POST-WAR CLAIMS IN MICRONESIA.

IN CONCLUDING HIS REMARKS MR. JOHNSTON POINTED TO RECENT REALIGNMENTS IN THE FEDERAL BUDGET IN LINE WITH PRESIDENT NIXON'S DESIRE TO CONTROL INFLATION. HE SAID THAT BECAUSE OF THESE ADJUSTMENTS IT IS NOT REALISTIC TO ANTICIPATE THAT IN ANY ONE FISCAL YEAR THE TRUST TERRITORY WILL RECEIVE SUFFICIENT FEDERAL FUNDING TO COMPLETE EVERY WORTHWHILE PROJECT AS ENDORSED BY THE VISITING MISSION IN ITS REPORT OF 1973. HE SAID THAT IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO CONTINUE TO SET PRIORITIES, ALWAYS BASED ON INPUT FROM THE DISTRICTS. HE SAID THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO TAKE A CRITICAL LOOK AT GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, AND THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO CLOSELY ANALYZE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDING, TO

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TERRITORY.

AS THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL HEARINGS CONTINUE THROUGH THE END OF THIS WEEK, MEMBER NATIONS WILL EXAMINE AND DISCUSS THE VISITING MISSION REPORT FURTHER, AND ALSO STATEMENTS BY THE U.S. AND MICRONESIAN REPRESENTATIVES. VARIOUS PETITIONERS WILL BE HEARD ON TUESDAY AND THERE WILL BE MORE DISCUSSION AND THEN CLOSING STATEMENTS AT THE END OF THE WEEK. THE COUNCIL WILL THEN FORMALIZE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR 1973 AS THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS FOR THIS YEAR DRAW TO A CLOSE.

(NOTE: THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE REMARKS OF SENATOR AMARAICH AND REPRESENTATIVE SIGRAH PREPARED BY THE STAFF OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA.)

NEW YORK, JUNE 11 (CONGRESS NEWS RELEASE)---THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL HEARD CRITICISM OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF MICRONESIA LAST WEEK IN REMARKS BY SENATOR ANDON AMARAICH OF TUK AND REPRESENTATIVE JOAB SIGRAH OF PONAPE. THESE REMARKS WERE PRESENTED BEFORE THE 40TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL WHICH BEGAN ITS HEARING ON THE TRUST

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TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS IN NEW STRK ON FRIDAY, JUNE 8.
CONGRESSMAN SIGRAH IN HIS STATEMENT EXPRESSED THE NEED
FOR THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA TO SET PRIORITIES AND TO

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FORMULATE PROGRAMS FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY'S DEVELOPMENT. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY SHOULD RE-ASSESS ITS NEEDS FOR LAND AND SHOULD ALSO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE DESIRES OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA REGARDING AIR AND SEA TRANSPORTATION. SENATOR AMARAICH LIKE HIS COLLEAGUE FROM THE

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PLACED EMPHASIS ON SEVERAL SUBJECTS, EMPHASIZING HIS CONCERNS, FOR EXAMPLE, ABOUT THE AUTHORITY OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, POLITICAL STATUS, THE LAW OF THE SEA, AND THE JUDICIARY IN MICRONESIA.

REPRESENTATIVE SIGRAH SAID THAT IT SHOULD BE UP TO THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA TO SET THE GOALS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MICRONESIA AS SUGGESTED BY THE REPORT OF THE 1973 VISITING MISSION, WHICH TOURED MICRONESIA EARLIER THIS YEAR. HE SUGGESTED THAT A DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM SHOULD BE FORMULATED AND THAT, TO USE HIS WORDS, "SUCH A PROGRAM MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REALITIES OF ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. "WITHOUT SUCH A PLAN HE SAID MICRONESIA CANNOT HOPE TO ACHIEVE THE FULL UTILIZATION OF ITS HUMAN AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR ITS OWN SATISFACTION. ADDITIONALLY HE REMARKED THAT HE HOPES TO SEE PASSAGE OF ONE OF SEVERAL BILLS INTRODUCED INTO THE CONGRESS THAT DEAL WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR MICRONESIA.

SENATR AMARAICH IN HIS REMARKS CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE CONGRESS CRITICIZED THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR THE USE OF ITS POWER TO EITHER VETO LEGISLATION PASSED BY THE

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CONGRESS OR TO IGNORE CERTAIN EXPRESSED WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA. AS AN EXAMPLE HE CITED THE FACT THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS NOT YET, AS THE 1973 VISITING MISSION REPORT SUGGESTED, LIMITED THE POWER OF THE VETO BY THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR. THIS REFERENCE TO THE POWER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR WAS AN APPARENT REFERENCE TO VETO MESSAGES BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER WHICH CITED THE REASON FOR THE VEToes AS BEING IN CONFLICT WITH THE SECRETARIAL ORDER.

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SENATOR AMARAICH ALSO COMMENTED UPON THE USE OF AUTHORITY BY THE UNITED STATES TO VETO THE ADMIRALTY AND MARITIME LEGISLATION. THIS HE SAID, WAS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW MOST, IF NOT ALL, OF THE IMPORTANT DECISIONS AFFECTING MICRONESIA ARE BEING MADE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND NOT ON SAIPAN. IN OTHER WORDS BY PERSONS WHO LIVE AND WORK THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY RATHER THAN THOSE WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH OUR PROBLEMS, AND BY AMERICANS RATHER THAN BY MICRONESIANS. THE CONTROL OF MICRONESIAN LAND BY THE UNITED STATES WAS ANOTHER AREA DISCUSSED BY REPRESENTATIVE SIGRAH. HE NOTED THAT THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT WAS THE BIGGEST LAND HOLDER IN MICRONESIA.

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CONTROLLING UP TO AS MUCH AS 50 AND 60 PERCENT OF THE LAND IN SOME DISTRICTS. OTHER LAND PROBLEMS HE NOTED WERE INSUFFICIENT PAYMENTS FOR INDEFINITE USE BY THE GOVERNMENT, SLOWNESS IN LAND REGISTRATION, THE NEED FOR THE RETURN OF LAND WHICH HAS BEEN RETAINED FOR OVER TWENTY FIVE YEARS. AS FOR LAND BEING CONSIDERED AS A BASE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, HE STATED THAT IF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY WERE SINCERELY INTERESTED IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RELATED TO LAND, MORE SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE TO SHOW FOR IT.

IN REGARD TO THE LAW OF THE SEA, SENATOR AMARAICH SAID, "WHAT IS REALLY AT ISSUE IS RESOURCES AND CONTROL OF RESOURCES," NOTING THAT MICRONESIA'S RESOURCES ARE SMALL WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER NATIONS. A PRIMARY RESOURCE SUCH AS TUNA COULD BE LOST TO MICRONESIANS UNDER PRESENT PROPOSALS OF THE UNITED STATES. HE NOTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS DELAYED GIVING THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA'S COMMITTEE ON LAW OF THE SEA A DIRECT ANSWER ON WHETHER THE UNITED STATES WILL BE WILLING TO REPRESENT MICRONESIA'S POSITION AT AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA. HE THUS URGED THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL TO

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UTILIZE ITS INFLUENCE WITH THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY TO INSURE THAT MICRONESIA IS ALLOW TO PRESENT ITS POSITION SO,

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HE SAID, THAT WE MAY PROTECT OUR BIRTH RIGHT AND OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE FROM EXPLOITATION BY OTHER NATIONS.

CONGRESSMAN SIGRAH IN HIS REMARKS ON AIR AND SEA TRANSPORTATION IN MICRONESIA EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE JAPAN/SAIPAN ROUTE CASE, AND THE PRESENT STATE OF THE SHIPPING LINE WHICH SERVICES MICRONESIA. IN BOTH CASES HE IMPLIED THAT THE NEEDS AND DESIRES OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA SHOULD COME FIRST. HE STRESSED THAT A CONGRESS RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE DISPUTED ROUTE BE GIVEN TO ONE AIRLINE WAS ADOPTED BECAUSE IT WAS FELT THAT THE CHOICE OF THIS AIRLINE WOULD PRODUCE THE MOST GOOD FOR THE MOST PEOPLE. LIKE SENATOR AMARAICH DID, HE NOTED THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAD NOT BEEN HEEDED BY THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY AND THAT THE RULING OF ONE EXAMINER OF THE U.S. CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD FOR ANOTHER AIRLINE BECAUSE IT HAD BEEN LOSING MONEY IN THE PAST APPEARED TO BE NOT IN MICRONESIA'S INTEREST BUT RATHER THOSE OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY.

SENATOR AMARAICH, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF

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THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS,
ALSO MADE SEVERAL COMMENTS CRITICAL OF THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM
AND THE JUDICIARY IN MICRONESIA. HE SAID THAT THE CONFIDENCE

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IN THE HIGH COURT IS ERODING, TO USE HIS WORDS, AND HE CITED PROBLEMS OF A LARGE BACKLOG OF COURT CASES AND POINTED TO A TENDENCY TO REPLACE OLDER JUDGES WITH YOUNGER ONES WHO ARE LESS ORIENTED TO CUSTOM AND TRADITION. THE TRUK SENATOR CONTINUED, "WE HAVE BEEN PROMISED ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS THAT TWO JUDGES

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WHO HAD OFFENDED MICRONESIANS WOULD BE REMOVED. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN, WE HAVE BEEN PROMISED THAT ADDITIONAL JUDGES WOULD BE APPOINTED. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN. WE HAVE URGED THAT MICRONESIANS BE NAMED TO OUR HIGHEST COURT. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN EITHER. IT IS NOW TIME TO CONSIDER A COMPLETE CHANGE IN OUR HIGH COURT INCLUDING THE LEADERSHIP."

WITH REGARD TO THE QUESTION OF FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS FOR MICRONESIA SENATOR AMARAICH WAS ALSO CRITICAL OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY. HE CHARGED THAT THE DELAY IN NEGOTIATIONS ON THE PART OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD NOT FAVOR MICRONESIA SINCE THE U.S. HAS NOTHING TO LOSE AND EVERYTHING TO GAIN BY A POLICY OF CONTINUED DELAY. HE SAID THAT THERE ARE TWO MAJOR REASONS WHY A MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BILL HAS NOT BEEN PASSED. ONE REASON IS THE HIGH COST OF SUCH A MEETING. HE SAID THAT BOTH AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS AND WHAT HE CALLED A HIGH ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL HAD INDICATED THAT THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY WOULD BE WILLING TO SHARE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF SUCH A CONVENTION. HOWEVER, HE NOTED, NOTHING EVER CAME OF THESE REPRESENTATIONS.

THE SECOND REASON WAS THAT WHILE WE HAD

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BEEN PROMISED THAT THE CONVENTION WOULD BE A JOINT EFFORT BETWEEN THE CONGRESS AND THE ADMINISTRATION, AND ALTHOUGH THE CONGRESS MADE A CONSIDERABLE EFFORT THERE WAS NO CORRESPONDING EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE ADMINISTRATION. SENATOR AMARAICH THEN ENDED HIS REMARKS ON STATUS AND HIS REMARKS TO THE COUNCIL BY DISCUSSING THE ISSUE OF THE POLITICAL UNITY OF MICRONESIA. HE STATED THAT DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE U.N. MISSION HAD RECOMMENDED THAT SEPARATE TALKS WITH THE MARIANAS DISTRICT BE

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STOPPED, THE UNITED STATES, WITH OPEN CONTEMPT FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS, COMPLETED ANOTHER ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS.

"AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS SPEAKS ABOUT UNITY," SAID AMARAICH, BUT THE ACTION OF THE UNITED STATES WE BELIEVE SPEAKS LOUDER THAN HIS WORDS."

REPRESENTATIVE SIGRAH IN HIS CLOSING REMARKS SAID THAT MICRONESIANS COULD NO LONGER WAIT FOR THE ADMINISTERING

AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP MICRONESIA IN ALL AREAS. HE CALLED AGAIN FOR THE ADOPTION OF A DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND LIKENED THE WORK TOWARD A SELF SUFFICIENT MICRTNESIA TO A LONG JOURNEY THAT BEGINS WITH THE FIRST STEP. "IT IS OUR CONVICTION THAT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA MUST AND WILL TAKE THE FIRST STEP," HE CONCLUDED.

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