In an effort to simplify the issuance of diving permits at Truk for dive groups of five or more the following procedures can now be applied:

- Forward to the District Fisheries Officer, Moen Island, Truk, Eastern Caroline Islands 96942, at least 3 days in advance of arrival:
  - 1. Full name of diver
  - 2. Diver's certificate number
  - 3. Permanent home address
- 2. Permits can then be picked up at the fisheries office upon arrival.

Both the Truk and Palau Districts now have decompression chambers available.

Tourist figures for Guam have been startling. In the past five years the number of visitors has increased from 4,000 to 185,000, an increase of more than 4000%. During this same period hotel rooms have jumped from 267 in 1967 to 2,093 at the end of 1972. It is estimated that an additional 800 rooms will be completed during the current year. The Guam Visitors Bureau expects visitors to spend some 90 million dollars on Guam during 1973.

The new 6,000 foot asphalt runway at Airai Airport, Palau District was dedicated at airport ceremonies there on June 28.

Sources of information on Micronesia are: Mike Ashman, Chief of Tourism, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Saipan, Marianas Islands 96950; Bert Unpingco, Managing Director, Guam Visitors Bureau, Box 3520, Agana, Guam 96910; or Air Micronesia and Continental Airline offices anywhere.

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