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(STATUS CHAIRMEN MEET AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS)
SAIPAN, AUG. 29, (MNS)---IT WAS REPORTED WEDNESDAY THAT
THE CHAIRMEN OF THE TWO POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSIONS IN THE
TRUST TERRITORY WERE TO CONFER ON GUAM WITH THE HEAD OF THE
U.S. STATUS NEGOTIATING DELEGATION. ACCORDING TO A REPORT
IN THE PACIFIC DAILY NEWS, CONGRESS JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE
STATUS CHAIRMAN LAZARUS SALII AND MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN EDWARD PANGELINAN, WERE TO BE ON GUAM
THIS WEEK TO TALK TO AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDEN WILLIAMS. RUDY
SABLON OF KJOR RADIO ON SAIPAN ALSO REPORTED THAT MARIANAS
COMMISSION VICE CHAIRMAN VICENTE N. SANTOS ACCOMPANIED PANGELINAN

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TO GUAM WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE PACIFIC DAILY NEWS STORY SAYS THAT SALII INTENDED TO DISCUSS WITH WILLIAMS THE MORATORIUM ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHICH THE U.S. HAS IMPOSED ON TINIAN ISLAND, THE EARLY RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS IN PALAU, AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S REFUSAL TO RELEASE CERTAIN LAND RECORDS, AN ACTION WHICH LED TO JOINT COMMITTEE SUBPOENAS TO OBTAIN THE RECORDS AND SUBSEQUENT CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS CHARGES AGAINST T.T. EXECUTIVE BRANCH PERSONNEL WHO REFUSED TO TURN OVER THE RECORDS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE.

SABLAN REPORTED TO WNS THAT PANGELINAN AND SANTOS WERE GOING TO GUAM TO DISCUSS THE TIMING FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THE STATUS ISSUE. IT HAS BEEN EXPECTED THAT THE JOINT COMMITTEE AND THE U.S. DELEGATION WOULD MEET AGAIN SOMETIME IN OCTOBER, POSSIBLY IN TRUK DISTRICT, AND IT WAS FURTHER EXPECTED THAT THE SEPARATE MARIANAS TALKS WOULD FOLLOW SOME TIME AFTER THAT. HOWEVER, NO FIRM SCHEDULE HAS EVER BEEN ANNOUNCED FOR EITHER SET OF NEGOTIATIONS TO RESUME.
(ALL USERS: PLEASE CREDIT CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA)

SAIPAN, AUGUST 29--(CONGRESS RELEASE)--A SECOND MEMBER OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA HAS EXPRESSED HIS GROWING CONCERN OVER RECENT ACTIONS

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BY THE OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS.

SENATOR JOHN HANGFEL OF YAP DISTRICT, WHO IS A SELF-PROFESSED ADVOCATE OF FREE ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES, HAS BEGUN TO HAVE HIS DOUBTS AS TO THE SINCERITY OF THE U.S. IN ITS DEALINGS OVER MICRONESIAN STATUS.

"THE PEOPLE OF YAP DISTRICT DON'T BELIEVE IN A MILITARY PRESENCE IN THEIR DISTRICT, OR FOR ANY OTHER DISTRICT IN MICRONESIA. HOWEVER, THEY ARE ALSO REALISTIC AND KNOW THAT MICRONESIA'S STRATEGIC VALUE IS THE PRIMARY INTEREST THE UNITED STATES HAS IN OUR ISLANDS. FOR THIS REASON, I HAVE MANY TIMES TRIED TO ACCOMMODATE THE AMERICAN SECURITY INTERESTS IN MICRONESIA AS TALKED ABOUT DURING OUR NEGOTIATIONS," HE SAID.

"HOWEVER, NOW, I AM BEGINNING TO CHANGE MY MIND," HE SAID. "RECENT ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE U.S. THROUGH THE OMSN, HAVE GREATLY TROUBLED ME."

SENATOR HANGFEL LISTED THESE ACTIONS AS THE SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE MARIANAS ISLANDS DISTRICT, THE UNILATERAL MORATORIUM ON LAND AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ON TINIAN, THE REFUSAL OF OMSN TO RELEASE CERTAIN INFORMATION ON LAND IN MICRONESIA AND THE WITHHOLDING OF A POLITICAL EDUCATION

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PROGRAM FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA. THESE ACTIONS, HE INDICATED, HAVE CAUSED GREAT DOUBT IN HIS MIND AS TO THE "GOOD FAITH" OF THE UNITED STATES.

AS TO THE SEPARATE MARIANAS TALKS, HE SAID "I HAVE NOTHING AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS FOR TRYING TO GET A DIFFERENT STATUS. THEY HAVE THAT RIGHT. I DO BLAME THE UNITED STATES FOR ENCOURAGING AND CARRYING ON THESE TALKS AT THIS TIME. IT HAS BROKEN THE UNITY OF MICRONESIA, AND THINGS WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN."

"I AM FORCED TO POINT OUT THAT IT IS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WE ARE BARGAINING WITH. THEY FOUGHT A CIVIL WAR OVER THEIR UNITY. NOW THEY ARE ENCOURAGING DISUNITY IN MICRONESIA. APPARENTLY THEY BELIEVE IN THINGS LIKE THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND UNITY ONLY FOR THEMSELVES, AND NOT FOR OTHER PEOPLES AND NATIONS."

"THE SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS WORRY ME. THEY HAVE INFLUENCED ME TO CHANGE MY MIND. I HAVE ALWAYS GONE TO THE BARGAINING TABLE WITH THE REST OF THE COMMITTEE WITH A CLEAR MIND AND A CLEAR CONSCIENCE. I FELT I WAS DOING THE BEST JOB I COULD FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA, AND AT THE SAME TIME

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TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT AMERICA'S NEEDS AND PLANS ARE FOR THE FUTURE. I HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT I WAS DEALING IN GOOD FAITH, HONESTLY, WITH NO TRICKS UP MY SLEEVE, OR SECRET PLAN TO GAIN ADVANTAGE," HE SAID.

"NOW, HE CONTINUED, I AM BEGINNING TO DISTRUST WHAT THE OTHER SIDE IS SAYING--AND THAT IS A VERY BAD FEELING TO HAVE WITH YOU WHEN YOU ARE AT THE BARGAINING TABLE. IT AFFECTS EVERYTHING IF YOU FEEL YOU CAN'T TRUST WHAT THE OTHER PERSON IS SAYING."

"THE U.S. KEEPS TALKING ABOUT GOOD FAITH, BUT RECENTLY THEIR ACTIONS HAVE UNDERMINED THEIR WORDS. APPARENTLY THEIR DEFINITION OF GOOD FAITH IS DIFFERENT THAN MINE."

THE YAP SENATOR APPEALED TO THE U.S. TO CHANGE ITS ATTITUDES AND TO TAKE A MORE HUMANITARIAN APPROACH. AS AN EXAMPLE, HE USED THE "ALIEN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN" POWERS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT WHERE THE GOVERNMENT HOLDS PUBLIC LANDS WHICH FORMERLY BELONGED TO MICRONESIANS.

"THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA NEVER HAD ANY CONTROL OR ANY SAY. THE SPANISH, THE GERMANS, THE JAPANESE, AND MORE RECENTLY THE AMERICANS HAVE ALL TAKEN OUR LAND AWAY. NOW WE ARE AT THE
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