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HAS SINCE RECEIVED UPDATED REPORTS PERIODICALLY BY RADIO. SO FAR,
FALCAM SAID THE APPROXIMATELY 350 RESIDENTS OF KAPINGAMARANGI ARE
NOT SUFFERING UNDUE HARDSHIP, BUT THEY HAVE ALMOST RUN OUT OF
FRESH DRINKING WATER AND ARE OBTAINING MOST OF THEIR DRINKING
LIQUID FROM COCONUTS.

THE NEXT FIELD TRIP SHIP TO KAPINGAMARANGI WILL CARRY EXTRA
CONTAINERS OF WATER FOR THE ATOLL, AND TT OFFICIALS ON SAIPAN ARE
ALSO LOOKING INTO OTHER WAYS OF GETTING MORE FRESH WATER TO THE
PEOPLE THERE.

KAPINGAMARANGI, ONE OF TWO ATOLLS IN MICRONESIA WHOSE PEOPLE
ARE POLYNESIAN IN ORIGIN, ALSO SUFFERED A LENGTHY DROUGHT A LITTLE
OVER A YEAR AGO.

(TINIAN MAYOR DENIES CHARGES)

SAIPAN, OCT. 12 (FROM THE DAILY NEWS)---TINIAN MAYOR
ANTONIO BORJA HAS DENIED HE IS GUILTY OF ANY WRONGDOING IN
THE WAKE OF CHARGES OF EMBEZZLEMENT, GRAND LARCENY, CONSPIRACY
AND CHEATING UNDER FALSE PRETENSES FILED AGAINST HIM WEDNESDAY
(OCT. 10) BY MARIANAS DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM AMSBARRY.

BORJA DENIED HE "EVER EMBEZZLED FUNDS, STOLE MONEY AND THE
CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY AND CHEATING BY FALSE PRETENSES,"

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ACCORDING TO FRIADY'S PACIFIC DAILY NEWS REPORT. DISTRICT
ATTORNEY WILLIAM AMSBARRY HAD FILED CHARGES AFTER AN INVESTIGATION
CONDUCTED BY TT AUDITORS AND HIS OFFICE CLAIMED TO HAVE UNCOVERED
WIDESPREAD FISCAL IRREGULARITIES IN TINIAN'S MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

SOME \$13,000 AND POSSIBLY MORE THAN \$25,00 IS INVOLVED
IN THE CHARGES, ALTHOUGH AMSBARRY HAS SAID THAT THE MAYOR HAS
MADE RESTITUTION OF SOME OF THE ALLEGED EMBEZZLED FUNDS, LEAVING
AN \$8,000 LOSS TO THE MUNICIPALITY.

AMONG THE CHARGES AGAINST BORJA ARE THAT HE DIVERTED FOR
HIS OWN USE \$3,000 GRANTED BY THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT
LEGISLATURE, THAT HE WAS INVOLVED IN DISCREPANCIES IN THE
\$15,000 TINIAN AGRICULTURE REVOLVING FUND, AND THAT A CONGRESS
OF MICRONESIA'S \$12,500 GRANT, \$6,000 WAS IMPROPERLY CONVERTED
TO FINANCE A TRIP TO THE ORIENT BY SOME MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBERS.

(ASHMAN TO FIKI SEMINAR)

SAIPAN, OCT. 12 (MNS)---TRUST TERRITORY CHIEF OF TOURISM
MIKE ASHMAN WILL REPRESENT THE TT NEXT WEEK AT THE FOURTH PACIFIC
AREA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION (PATA) TRAVEL RESEARCH SEMINAR IN SUVA,
FIJI. THE FOUR-DAY SEMINAR BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16.

THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S SEMINAR IS "THE TOTAL TRAVEL

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EXPERIENCE," AND IT IS DESIGNED TO CREATE AN AWARENESS OF THE EFFECTS OF TRAVEL ON THE TRAVELLER, THE ENVIRONMENT, THE ECONOMY, THE RESIDENTS OF THE DESTINATION, AND THE GOVERNMENTS. THE PROGRAM WILL INFORM DELEGATES HOW WORLD POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGES AFFECT THE TRAVEL MARKET. SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREAS AROUND THE WORLD, SUCH AS BARBADOS, SINGAPORE AND BERMUDA, WILL BE PINPOINTED AND APPROPRIATE SPEAKERS WILL OUTLINE THEIR VARYING PHILOSOPHIES REGARDING THEIR APPROACH TO TOURISM AND THE ROLE RESEARCH PAYS IN FORMULATING THESE PHILOSOPHIES.

THE MAJOR PART OF ONE DAY OF THE SEMINAR WILL BE DEVOTED TO A VERY PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION OF THE STEP-BY-STEP PLANNING WHICH WENT INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOURIST FACILITY. THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY VISITING A NEWLY DEVELOPED TOURIST PLANT NEAR SUVA. VARIOUS EXPERTS WILL DESCRIBE THE ROLE THEY PLAYED IN DEVELOPING THE AREA VISITED.

"THE SUBJECTS TO BE EXAMINED AT THIS SEMINAR ARE VITAL TO OUR DEVELOPMENT AND WOULD PROVIDE SOME OF THE ANSWERS URGENTLY SOUGHT BY ALL DISTRICTS," ASHMAN SAID ON SAIPAN. "IT IS OUR INTENTION TO CONDUCT A SEMILAR SEMINAR IN EACH DISTRICT WITH MATERIALS AND PHOTOGRAPHS OBTAINED AT THE FIJI SEMINAR."

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