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Pan Am: Tinian Council Reverse

SAIPAN — With eight days to go before the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board's oral arguments on the Saipan-Japan air route, the Tinian Municipal Council passed a resolution supporting Pan American.

To do so, council had to rescind its earlier resolution endorsing Continental/Air Micronesia, second major contender for the route.

The oral arguments are scheduled to begin next Thursday in Washington, with a large contingent of Pan Am and Air Mike supporters scheduled to attend.

Although the list of those appearing on behalf of Air Mike has been published, Pan Am proponents say they still are not certain who will be traveling to Washington to present their side.

Those mentioned so far include Vicente N. Santos, president of the Marianas District Legislature; attorney William B. Nabors; Sen. Olympio T. Borja; Vicente T. Camacho, speaker of the Saipan Municipal Legislature; Rep. Herman Q. Guerrero, and Sen. Edward Pangelinan. The CAB hearing record also shows that Rep. Charles Domnick and Sen. Roman Tmetuchl have at one time indicated their intention of attending.

Lt. Gov. Kurt Moylan of Guam is reported to be appearing on behalf of Guam.