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(EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT)

SAIPAN, NOV. 9 (MNS)---THE NEW PROGRAM OF "EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT" RECENTLY ANNOUNCED BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER IS NOW BEGINNING TO TAKE FORM, ACCORDING TO TT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS STRIK YOMA.

THE DECISION TO UNDERTAKE AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT IN MICRONESIA WAS REACHED IN A MEETING HELD IN HONOLULU LAST MONTH BETWEEN AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT NIXON'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MICRONESIAN STATUS TALKS; CHAIRMAN LAZARUS SALII AND CO-CHAIRMAN EKPAP SILK OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS

STANLEY CARPENTER, AND HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD E. JOHNSTON.

IT WAS AGREED IN THAT MEETING THAT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CONDUCTING AN EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT PROGRAM IN THE TRUST TERRITORY IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT.

FOLLOWING THE HONOLULU MEETING, TT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS STRIK YOMA HELD SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH TT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION DAVID RAMARUI TO DISCUSS WAYS OF GETTING THE PROGRAM UNDERWAY. AS A RESULT OF THESE MEETINGS, KEY PERSONNEL FROM THE TWO DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEGUN THE NECESSARY TASK OF DRAFTING THE INITIAL PROGRAM PLAN WHICH WOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR APPROVAL.

"I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE PROGRAM IS VITALLY DEPENDENT UPON DISTRICT INPUTS NOT ONLY IN THE INITIAL PLANNING BUT ALSO IN THE DELIVERY OF THE SERVICE WHEN THE TIME COMES", YOMA SAID. "IN THIS CONNECTION, I HAVE BRIEFED THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS WHO ARE CURRENTLY MEETING HERE ON SAIPAN ON ALL DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE, AND HAVE RECEIVED FROM THEM VALUABLE ADVICE REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM", YOMA INDICATED THE INITIAL PLAN FOR THE PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT IN THE TRUST TERRITORY IS EXPECTED TO BE SUBMITTED

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TO THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE THIS MONTH.

(PUBLIC LANDS DEFINITION)

SAIPAN, NOV. 9 (STATUS LNO RELEASE)---FOLLOWING IS A RELEASE FROM THE OFFICE ON SAIPAN OF MISS MARY VANCE TRENT, LIAISON OFFICER FOR MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS:

"I REGRET THAT I FIND IN ERROR THE STATEMENT MADE IN AN ARTICLE IN THE PACIFIC DAILY NEWS OF NOVEMBER 7 THAT LANDS WHICH THE U.S. HAS REQUESTED FOR MILITARY USE IN MICRONESIA WOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED TRANSFER OF TITLE OF PUBLIC LANDS FROM THE TTPI ADMINISTRATION TO THE DISTRICTS IF SO REQUESTED."

"TO THE CONTRARY, ALL OF THE LAND WHICH THE U.S. IS NEGOTIATING FOR ON KOROR AND EABELTHUAP, AND MOST OF IT ON TINIAN, IS PRESENTLY CONSIDERED TO BE PUBLIC LAND AND IS INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION OF LAND TO BE RETURNED TO DISTRICT CONTROL."

"FURTHERMORE, THE STATEMENT THAT THESE LANDS WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE U.S. MILITARY "WITHOUT EVER BECOMING MICRONESIAN PUBLIC LAND" IS WHOLLY INACCURATE SINCE THESE LANDS ARE BY DEFINITION ALREADY IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN AND ARE PRESENTLY BEING HELD IN TRUST FOR THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA BY THE TTPI."

"WHAT THE U.S. IS NOW SUGGESTING IS THAT IF REQUESTED TITLE

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TO SUCH LANDS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE DISTRICTS AND TO
RIGHTFUL OWNERS UPON SATISFACTION OF THE SAFEGUARDS OUTLINED IN
THE U.S. STATEMENT."

(SPC SEMINAR ENDS)

SAIPAN, NOV. 9 (MNS)---THE SUB-REGIONAL TRAINING COURSE IN HOSPITAL
ADMINISTRATION SPONSORED BY THE SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION
CONCLUDED LAST WEEK IN TRUK DISTRICT. THE TWO WEEK SEMINAR WAS
CONDUCTED BY DAVID HORN, DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE, NORTH
CANTERBURY HOSPITAL BOARD AND VICENT WILLIAMS, ADMINISTRATOR,
COLONIAL WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SUVA, FIJI.

GREG CALVO, HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIST, T.T.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, SAID "THE BASIC COURSES WERE ON
BASIC ELEMENTS OF HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION." THE OBJECTIVE OF
THE TRAINING WAS TO PROVIDE THE PARTICIPANTS AN ENLIGHTENED
APPRECIATION OF HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION AND THEIR RELATIONSHIPS
AND IMPORTANCE TO HEALTH SERVICES," CALVO SAID.

A DRAFT HANDBOOK FOR HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION WAS
REVIEWED DURING THE TRAINING AND WILL BE PUBLISHED BY THE
SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION LATER ON. ACCORDING TO CALVO, THE NEXT
SPC SEMINAR WILL BE HELD IN ONE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDS

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OUTSIDE THE TRUST TERRITORY.

THE SEMINAR DREW PARTICIPANTS FROM GUAM, COOK ISLANDS, NAURU,
BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, AMERICAN SAMOA, NEW HEBRIDES AND THE SIX
DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY.

(AIRPORT CONSULTANT HERE)

SAIPAN, NOV. 7 (MNS)---A CONSULTANT IS ON SAIPAN THIS
WEEK MEETING WITH VARIOUS TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
AND OFFICIALS OF THE AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL CONTRACTORS,
ENGAGED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT. HE IS LEIGH FISCHER, AIRPORT CONSULTANT FROM
BURLINGAME, CALIFORNIA.

FISCHER HAS BEEN HIRED AS A MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE
SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. HIS JOB WOULD BE HELPING THE
TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT ESTABLISH THE MANAGEMENT OF THE
TERMINAL FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE OF THE AIRPORT.

(BUSINESS APPLICATION RECEIVED)

SAIPAN, NOV. 8 (MNS)---APPLICATIONS FROM INTERNATIONAL
SHOPPERS LIMITED TO OPERATE HOTEL SHOPPING ARCADES IN THE
MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED, ACCORDING TO A
WEEKLY REPORT OF FOREIGN BUSINESS ACTIVITY FROM THE ECONOMIC
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DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, OF THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT.

THE COMPANY'S PRINCIPAL INCORPORATOR IS ANTHONY M.
PILARO, WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF
DUTY FREE SHOPPERS LIMITED. LOCAL AGENT IS RAMON DIAZ OF
THE PALMER, WIGGS AND HESTON COMPANY. THE DUTY FREE SHOPPERS
LIMITED HAVE VARIOUS SHOPS ON GUAM. THE APPLICATION WILL BE
SENT TO THE MARIANAS DISTRICT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR
REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, WHERE THE COMPANY PLANS TO DO
BUSINESS.

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TRASEN OF MICRONESIA INCORPORATED'S BUSINESS PERMIT IS UP FOR RENEWAL THIS YEAR. THEY ARE ENGAGED IN ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING WORK IN THE MARIANAS. THE PRESIDENT OF THAT COMPANY IS L. SCOTT DANIEL AND ITS LOCAL AGENT IS JUAN DIAZ. (RATE REVIEW BOARD)

SAIPAN, NOV 9 (MNS)---THE WATER REVIEW BOARD ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK THAT A PRE-HEARING DATE HAS BEEN SET FOR DECEMBER 20TH. TO SOLICIT PUBLIC VIEWS AND OPINIONS ON THE SERVICES AND RATES OF THE TRANSPACIFIC LINES INCORPORATED.

ACCORDING TO ELIAS OKAMURA, A MEMBER OF THE BOARD REPRESENTING THE GOVERNMENT, THE HEARING IS TO FORM AN AGENDA FOR THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO HAVE COMPLAINTS OR GRIEVANCES CAN EITHER APPEAR AT THE HEARING FOR ORAL PRESENTATION OR SENT HIS COMMENTS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS, SAIPAN, M.I. 96950.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN ADDITION TO OKAMURA ARE CHAIRMAN RALPH BAGLEY, AND BILL PENROSE, GENERAL MANAGER OF TRANSPACIFIC LINES.

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THE HEARING WILL BE HELD AT HEADQUARTERS CONFERENCE ROOM AT 9 O'CLOCK.

(ALL USERS: PLEASE CREDIT CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA)
(KENDALL SUPPORTS MLSC)

MAJURO, NOV. 9 (MNS)---(CONGRESS RELEASE)---SENATOR WILFRED KENDALL OF THE MARSHALLS EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNED THIS WEEK IN MAJURO OVER THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S ACTION IN VETOING MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION BUDGET.

IN A DISPATCH SENT TO THE HONORABLE ALVIN J. ARNETT, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. SENATOR KENDALL NOTED THAT "THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S ACTION TO TERMINATE THE PROGRAM DOES NOT REFLECT THE VIEWS OF MY CONSTITUENTS REGARDING THE SERVICES RENDERED THE MICRONESIAN PEOPLE BY MLSC."

THE MARSHALLS SENATOR CONTINUED, "DESPITE OPPOSITION TO AND LACK OF COOPERATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THE MLSC HAS COME A LONG WAY TO UNTANGLE THE PROBLEMS WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESOLVED MANY YEARS AGO."

SENATOR KENDALL FURTHER STATED THAT HE HAS REVIEWED THE REASONS GIVEN IN SUPPORT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON'S POSITION.

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HE SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THAT HIGH COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON "HAS PERSONALLY DECIDED TO DETACH HIMSELF FROM THE HIGH ESTEEM THE PEOPLE HAVE FOR THE PROGRAM. I AM SPEAKING PARTICULARLY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS WHO, AS YOU MAY KNOW, FOR MANY YEARS IN NEGOTIATING WITH THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE USE OF THEIR LANDS HAD NO ACCESS TO LEGAL REPRESENTATION," HE SAID.

THE MARSHALLS SENATOR CONCLUDED, "THE EXISTENCE AND CONTINUATION OF MLSC TO OPERATE IS AN ALL TIME BLESSING FOR THE MARSHALLESE PEOPLE. I APPEAL TO YOU TO FAVORABLY CONSIDER REFUNDING THE PROGRAM."

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