

## A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress of Micronesia with regard to certain issues relating to the future political status of Micronesia, and directing the Joint Committee on Future Status to conduct negotiations accordingly.

1           WHEREAS, House Joint Resolution No. 102, adopted by the  
2 Third Congress of Micronesia, created the Joint Committee on  
3 Future Status and gave it authority to negotiate with the United  
4 States of America toward the termination of the Trusteeship and  
5 the attainment of a new political status for Micronesia, subject  
6 to expressions of policies by the Congress of Micronesia; and

7           WHEREAS, the Congress of Micronesia is desirous of expressing  
8 the sense of the Congress with regard to certain important issues  
9 bearing upon such negotiations; now, therefore,

10           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Fifth Congress of  
11 Micronesia, First Regular Session, 1973, the House of Representatives  
12 concurring, that it is the sense of the Congress that the Trust  
13 Territory of the Pacific Islands is one single and indivisible  
14 political unit, and the Trusteeship may not be terminated or  
15 modified as to one part thereof while another part or parts thereof  
16 remain under such Trusteeship; and

17           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the sense of the Congress that  
18 the Congress of Micronesia, through the Joint Committee on Future  
19 Status, is the sole authority in the Trust Territory of the Pacific  
20 Islands which is legally authorized and empowered to conduct  
21 negotiations with regard to the future political status of the  
22 Trust Territory, including all parts thereof, and that the Congress