

(PALAU CON CON TO BE HELD)

PALAU, JUNE 10 (MNS)---PALAU DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR THOMAS O. REMENGESAU SIGNED INTO LAW LAST TUESDAY (JUNE 4) A BILL CALLING FOR A PALAU CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION. NO DATE WAS SET FOR THE CONVENTION, ACCORDING TO YOICH RENGIL, PALAU ACTING PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER. 1974 11

IN SIGNING BILL NO. 317 INTO LAW, REMENGESAU SAID THAT HE WAS DOING SO WITH CERTAIN RESERVATIONS. THE PALAU CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, REMENGESAU SAID, "IS NOT BEING ESTABLISHED AS A LAW MAKING BODY.

"IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT," HE CONTINUED, "THAT THE SUBPOENA POWERS AS SET FORTH UNDER SECTION 6 OF THE ACT ARE INAPPROPRIATE AND PROBABLY ILLEGAL." DESPITE THIS PROBLEM, HOWEVER, THE DISTAD SIGNED THE BILL.

PALAU IS THE FIRST DISTRICT TO ESTABLISH ITS OWN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION. THE DECISIONS REACHED AT THE LOCAL LEVEL WILL BE USED TO ASSIST PALAUAN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ARTICULATE THE POLITICAL DESIRES OF THE PALAUAN PEOPLE, RENGIL REPORTED. THE BILL, ADOPTED DURING THE FIFTH PALAU LEGISLATURE'S SIXTH REGULAR SESSION, WAS SIGNED AT A SMALL CEREMONY AT THE DISTAD'S OFFICE.

NOTING THAT HE WAS SIGNING THE BILL ON THE DAY OF THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ELECTIONS, REMENGESAU SAID, "I AM ESPECIALLY HAPPY TO SIGN THIS BILL AS IT SIGNIFIES THAT WE HAVE TAKEN THE FIRST REAL STEP TOWARD SELF-GOVERNMENT."

"OUR QUEST FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT," REMENGESAU CONTINUED, "WHICH HAS BEEN CLOUDED BY DIFFERENT FLAGS, IS BEGINNING TO CLEAR AND WE ARE NOW APPROACHING A NEW STAGE WHERE A SMOOTH AND HOPEFULLY PEACEFUL MEANS WILL BE EMPLOYED TO REACH THAT ULTIMATE GOAL."

THE BILL WAS SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE TWO PALAUAN PARAMOUNT CHIEFS, HIGH CHIEFS IBEDUL AND REKLAI; ITELEANG LUII, SPEAKER OF THE PALAU LEGISLATURE; AND, SADANG SILMAI, VICE-SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATURE.

REMENGESAU SAID THAT IT WAS SIGNIFICANT THAT HE SIGNED THE BILL ON JUNE 4TH. NOT ONLY WAS THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ELECTION A HISTORIC EVENT FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY, BUT THE SIGNING OF THE PALAUAN CON CON LAW WAS A HISTORIC EVENT FOR PALAU. AND BOTH, NOTED REMENGESAU, OCCURED DURING A FULL MOON PERIOD--A SIGN OF GOOD TIMES IN PALAUAN TRADITIONS.

(POPULAR PARTY WINS SAIPAN ELECTION)

SAIPAN, JUNE 10 (MNS)---UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS FOR FIFTEEN SEATS ON THE SAIPAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SHOW THE POPULAR PARTY HAS WON EASILY OVER TERRITORIAL PARTY CANDIDATES. THE ELECTION WAS HELD SUNDAY (JUNE 9). THE POPULAR PARTY ALSO SWEEP ALL ELEVEN DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S SEATS. THE TERRITORIAL PARTY FIELDDED ONLY EIGHT CANDIDATE FOR MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SEATS AND, IN SOME CASES, HAD NO CANDIDATES FOR THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S SEATS.

ON TINIAN, HOWEVER, UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS SHOW THE TERRITORIAL PARTY HAS WON THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SEATS. FELIPE C. MENDIOLA DEFEATED INCUMBENT MAYOR ANTONIO C. BORJA. MENDIOLA TALLIED 157 VOTES TO BORJA'S 142. MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SPEAKER HARRY CRUZ WITHDREW FROM THE MAYORAL RACE FOLLOWING THE FIRST, INCONCLUSIVE ELECTION A WEEK AGO.

ON SAIPAN, THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES WERE ELECTED TO THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL: INCUMBENT SPEAKER VICENTE T. CAMACHO, JOAQUIN I. PANGELINAN, ALBERT S. CAMACHO, JOSE G. DELEON GUERRERO; PEDRO DELEON GUERRERO, PEDRO T. NAKAISUKASA, JOAQUIN S. TORRES, JOAQUIN B. CRUZ, JUAN G. DEMAPAN, DINO 03-03

JONES, GREGORIO M. QUITUGUA, ANTONIO A. SANTOS, ROMAN T. TUDELA AND JOAQUIN P. VILLANUEVA.

ON TINIAN, THE FOLLOWING WERE ELECTED TO THE TINIAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SEATS: ELEAS M. BORJA, HENRY H. HOFNSNEIDER, AND VICENTE S. SABLAN. THE ELECTION RESULTS ARE STILL UNOFFICIAL PENDING APPROVAL OF THE ELECTION COMMISSIONER.

(CON CON ELECTION STILL INCOMPLETE)

SAIPAN, JUNE 10 (MNS)---ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION CONTINUED TO COME IN THE TRUST TERRITORY HEADQUARTERS ON SAIPAN MONDAY (JUNE 10). RESULTS FROM SEVERAL OUTER ISLANDS IN TRUK DISTRICT AND ATOLLS IN THE MARSHALLS STILL AREN'T COMPLETE, ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

IN PALAU DELEGATE DISTRICT THREE (PELELIU, ANGAUR AND THE SOUTHERN ISLANDS) TOSIWO NAKAMURA IS LEADING WITH 176 VOTES OVER THREE OTHER CANDIDATES. IN THE MARSHALLS, CARL HEINE WHO IS RUNNING UNOPPOSED IN DELEGATE DISTRICT FIVE (JALUIT AND KILI), IS LEADING OVER SEVERAL WRITE IN CANDIDATES; IN DISTRICT SIX, WHICH HAD NO DECLARED CANDIDATE, (AILINGLAPLAP, NAMU AND JABAT), KINJA ANDRIKE WON WITH 20 WRITE-IN VOTES; IN DISTRICT SEVEN (KWAJALEIN, UJAE, LAE AND LIB) TIPNE PHILIPPO WON OVER TWO WRITE-IN CANDIDATES; IN DISTRICT EIGHT (AILUK, UTRIK, RONGELAP, UJELANG AND WOTHO), WITH NO DECLARED CANDIDATE, HEMOS JACK RECEIVED 75 WRITE-IN VOTES TO WIN; AND IN DISTRICT NINE (LIKIEP AND MEJIT) WITH NO DECLARED CANDIDATE, TOM KIJINER RECEIVED EIGHT WRITE-IN VOTES. IN DISTRICT TWO (ARNO AND MILI) COUNTING IS STILL INCOMPLETE BUT LANGUE KALLES IS LEADING, EARLY RETURNS INDICATE.

IN PONAPE DISTRICT TWO (KOLONIA AND PINGELAP), KIKUO APIS HAS APPARENTLY WON OVER SIX OTHER CANDIDATES, COLLECTING A TOTAL OF 273 VOTES; AND IN DISTRICT THREE (MOKIL, NGATIK, NUKUORO AND KAPINGAMARANGI), APINEL MATEAK WON WITH 368 VOTES. HIS OPPONENT, GAUIS EDWIN, TALLIED 310 VOTES.

IN THE OUTER ISLANDS OF TRUK, INCLUDING NAMONUITO ATOLL AND THE MORTLOCK ISLANDS, NO RESULTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED OTHER THAN ABSENTEE VOTES. FOUR DELEGATES ARE TO BE ELECTED FROM THOSE AREAS.

(NOTE TO EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL CON-CON CANDIDATES AND THEIR VOTES AS SOON AS FINAL AND COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE ELECTION IS RECEIVED AT HEADQUARTERS.)
(WORKSHOP ON CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT)

SAIPAN, JUNE 7 (MNS)---A SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT WILL BE HELD IN KOROR, PALAU BEGINNING JUNE 15TH AND ENDING ON THE 21ST OF THIS MONTH, ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HEADQUARTERS TASK FORCE ON EDUCATION FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT.

PARTICIPANTS WILL INCLUDED TEACHERS OF SOCIAL STUDIES, ADULT BASIC EDUCATION (ABE) AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT IN THE TRUST TERRITORY.

CONDUCTING THE WORKSHOP WILL BE FELIX RABAULIMAN, ADULT BASIC EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR FOR THE TT AND AUGUSTINE MOSES, CO-ORDINATOR FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION. ALSO MRS. BETTY TUCK, ABE SPECIALIST ATTACHED TO THE FAR WEST REGIONAL LABORATORY, EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BASED IN CALIFORNIA WILL ASSIST PARTICIPANTS TO ADAPT THE RECENTLY DEVELOPED ESG MATERIALS FOR ADULT AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.

THE WORKSHOP WILL DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE FUTURE STATUS OF MICRONESIA, CITIZENSHIP, HEALTH EDUCATION, LAW OF THE SEA AND ECONOMICS OF THE TT.

THE RESULTS OF THE WORKSHOP WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO NEW TEACHING MATERIALS FOR USE IN BOTH THE HIGH SCHOOLS AND ABE CLASSES THROUGHOUT THE TT. THE WORKSHOP IS JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES AND THE ESG TASK FORCE. AS PART OF THE ESG PROGRAM, THE WORKSHOP IS ALSO INTENDED TO PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION TO THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA, THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT.