

(SPECIAL SESSION TUESDAY)

SAIPAN, JULY 22 (UNNS) ²⁴ NEARLY ALL OF THE 33 MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA WERE ON SAIPAN BY LATE MONDAY AFTERNOON (JULY 22). IN ANTICIPATION OF THE TUESDAY MORNING OPENING OF THE SPECIAL SESSION CALLED FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE FIFTH CONGRESS. File 11

THE SESSION WILL OPEN AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE CHAMBERS ON CAPITAL HILL, AND IS EXPECTED TO RUN FOR FIFTEEN CALENDER DAYS, OR UNTIL MIDNIGHT TUESDAY, AUGUST 3.

THE PRELIMINARY MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND BUDGET PLANNING, AND THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HEADED BY REPRESENTATIVE RAYMOND SETIK (TRUK), HAVE CONCLUDED AFTER AN EXAMINATION OF CONGRESS APPROPRIATION BILLS PENDING

"WE HAVE OVER 70 BILLS ASSIGNED TO MY COMMITTEE IN THE HOUSE." SETIK SAID MONDAY. HE INDICATED THAT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF REVENUES EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE TO THE CONGRESS FOR APPROPRIATION WAS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE, AND PRIORITIES FOR APPROPRIATION OF THAT REVENUE WERE SET.

CONGRESS REVENUES AND FEELING APPROPRIATION BILLS WERE ONE OF THE CATEGORIES OF LEGISLATION INCLUDED IN THE SPECIAL SESSION CALL, AND CONDENSE THE BULK OF THE LEGISLATION STILL AWAITING ACTION FROM THE FIFTH CONGRESS.

OTHER ITEMS IN THE CALL INCLUDE THE QUESTION OF THE RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS, REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW, FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS, AND COMPENSATION FOR THIRD COUNTRY NATIONAL, LOCAL HIRE AND CONTRACT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

IN ADDITION, THE HIGH COMMISSIONER MAY, IN A MESSAGE TO THE CONGRESS WHILE IN SPECIAL SESSION, ADD ONE OR MORE ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION.

THIS WILL BE THE FINAL MEETING FOR THE FIFTH CONGRESS. SINCE ALL HOUSE SEATS, AND HALF OF THOSE IN THE SENATE, WILL BE UP FOR ELECTION IN NOVEMBER. NEXT JANUARY, WHEN THE CONGRESS MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION, IT WILL BE THE SIXTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA.

(CETA COUNCIL TO MEET)

SAIPAN, JULY 22 (UNNS) ---THE CETA MANPOWER SERVICE COUNCIL WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING JULY 29 ON SAIPAN.

ACCORDING TO WALTER NYAZOE, JOB ANALYST AT THE TT TRAINING DIVISION, THE MANPOWER SERVICE COUNCIL WILL MEET FROM THE 29TH TO AUGUST 2 TO DISCUSS TRUST TERRITORY MANPOWER NEEDS.

THE COUNCIL IS A PART OF THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING ACT (CETA) WHICH BECAME LAW LAST YEAR. THE COUNCIL OVERSEES ALL CETA PROGRAMS AND MAKES PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS WHEN NECESSARY.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE FELICIANO E. UDUI, TAKEO YANO, PALAU; HILARY TACHELIOL; YAP; PEDRO A. TENORIO, NICK SONGSONG, HERMAN DL. GUERRERO, MARIANAS; HOICHI SANA, TRUK; CATALINO SHAM, DONALD JONAH, PONAPE; CARMEN MILNE, MARSHALLS; PEDRO HARRIS, AUGUSTINE MOSES, CHUJI CHUTARO, HEADQUARTER PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT; AND, IWAO ELANZO, HEADQUARTERS TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

(NEW COM DEPUTY HOUSE CLERK)

SAIPAN, JULY 22 (CONGRESS RELEASE) ---MS KATALINA T. SEAMN, 24 OF SAN JOSE VILLAGE, SAIPAN HAS OFFICIALLY BEGUN HER DUTIES AS THE NEW ASSISTANT CLERK FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA. 09720

MS SEMAN, THE FIRST WOMAN TO HOLD SUCH A POSITION AT THE CONGRESS, WAS SELECTED FROM AMONG 17 APPLICANTS. SHE REPLACES SINGKITCHY GEORGE WHO RESIGNED IN JUNE 10 ASSUME A POST WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN KUSAIE.

THE NEW ASSISTANT HOUSE CLERK IS A 1972 GRADUATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE COLLEGE AT FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, WHERE SHE MAJOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF MELIPE I. SEMAN OF SAIPAN.

(MISSIONARY COMPLETES WORLD TOUR)

YAP, JULY 22 (MPS)---AN EXCITED CROWD GATHERED AT THE YAP AIRFIELD LAST WEEK TO GREET THE REV. EDMUND KALAU.

ACCORDING TO YAP PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER WILFRED GORONGFEL, PALAU AND MORRIS FICHAUD COMPLETED A ROUND THE WORLD IN KALAU'S NEW TWIN-ENGINE AIRPLANE.

KALAU LEFT YAP IN MAY TO PICK UP HIS PLANE IN THE UNITED STATES. HE FLEW FROM SCHOOLEYS MOUNTAIN, NEW JERSEY, TO HIS HOME COUNTRY, GERMANY. FROM THERE, KALAU FLEW THRU AISA AND THE PHILIPPINES AND THEN KOROR AND YAP.

GORONGFEL REPORTED THAT KALAU IS PLANNING TO USE HIS AIRPLANE FOR INTRA-DISTRICT TRAVEL. HOWEVER, THE LACK OF SUITABLE LANDING FACILITIES ON SOME ISLANDS WILL LIMIT HIS TRAVEL, IT WAS REPORTED.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT AN AIRCRAFT OF THIS SIZE AND TYPE HAS BEEN BASED ON YAP.

(NOTE TO EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE WILL AGAIN PROVIDE LISTING ALL LEGISLATION INTRODUCED AND ALL ACTION TAKEN. IN ADDITION, WE ANTICIPATE RECEIVING A NUMBER OF PRESS RELEASES FROM THE CONGRESS LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S OFFICE DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. INITIALLY, THIS COVERAGE WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE REGULAR MNS DISPATCH EACH DAY, BUT AS THE SESSION PROGRESSES IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO HAVE MORE THAN ONE DISPATCH, PARTICULARLY AS THE SESSIONS BECOME LONGER. WE WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED ON WHEN TO EXPECT SPECIAL CONGRESS COVERAGE.)