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WHICH WILL BE DELIVERED IN JULY, 1975, ACCORDING TO A RECENT
EDITION OF THE NAURU BULLETIN.
THE NEW FOKER AIRCRAFT WAS CHRISTENED THE "CHIEF NOBOB"
IN CEREMONIES AT THE FACTORY IN AMSTERDAM. AIR NAURU'S OTHER
PLANE IS NAMED THE "NAURU CHIEF." THE AIRLINE NOW OPERATES
SCHEDULED SERVICES FROM NAURU TO MALBOURNE, AUSTRALIA VIA HONZARA

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NOUMEA AND BRISBANE, AND FLYS TO KAGOSHIMA, JAPAN, VIA PONAPE, GUAM AND OKINAWA. AIR NAURU ALSO FLIES A SCHEDULED SERVICE TO MAJURO IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS, AND TO TARAWA IN THE GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY, AND HAS RECENTLY INAUGURATED A DNCE-A-WEEK SERVICE FROM NAURU TO APIA, WESTERN SAMOA.

THE AIR NAURU BOEING 737, ALSO A TWIN-JET AIRPLANE, WILL BE A CONVERTIBLE AIRCRAFT ENABLING THE CARRIER TO OPERATE IN VARIOUS COMBINATIONS OF PASSENGER AND CARGO SERVICE. IN AN ALL PASSENGER

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CONFIGURATION IT WILL BE ABLE TO CARRY 101 SEATS. THE PLANE
WILL HAVE SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR SHORT-FIELD OPERATIONS, WILL
BE EQUIPPED WITH LOW PRESSURE TIRES, AND WILL BE CERTIFIED FOR
USE ON GRAVEL RUNWAYS.

ACCORDING TO THE NAURU BULLETIN, THE INTRODUCTION OF THE 737 AND THE ADDITION OF THE NEW FOKKER F-28 ARE IN KEEPING WITH THE "...VIGOUROUS POLICY OF THE YOUNG, INDEPENDENT NAURU AIRLINE OF PIONEERING NEW ROUTES IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC..."

THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU IS LOCATED ABOUT 600 MILES SOUTH OF HAJURO, JUST SOUTH OF THE EQUATOR. THE TINY COUNTRY, WHICH ACHIEVED ITS INDEPENDENCE IN 1968, DERIVES MOST OF ITS INCOME FROM THE MINING OF RICH PHOSPHATE DEPOSITS. IN ADDITION TO ITS AIRLINE, THE COUNTRY ALSO OPERATES ITS OWN SHIPPING LINE WHICH SERVES SEVERAL PORTS IN THE TRUST TERRITORY.

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