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SAIPAN, JULY 23 (MNS) -- THE CONGRESS UF MICRONESIA PONYEMED IN SPECIAL SESSION ON SAFFAN TUESDAY (JULY 23),

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TO TAKE MARE OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS LEFT OVER FROM THE REGULAR SUSSIONS OF THE FIRTH CONGRESS, AS WELL AS TO CONSTORR CERTAIN NEW PIECES OF LEGISLATION AND AMENDMENTS TO EXISTENCE LAWS. THE SESSION IS TO LAST 15 DAYS.

SPECIAL LES FILMED THE GALLERIES OF BOTH HOUSES AS SPECIAL LEGISLATIVES AND PRESIDENT TOSIWO HARAYMMA OF TRUK CALLED THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SEMANCE TO ORDER. FORMAL BUSINESS WAS LIMITED,

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HOWEVER, TO THE INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS
AND BRILF OPENING REMARKS BY THE PRESIDING UFFICERS
(SEE FOLLOWING STURY).

IN THE SENATE, FLOOR LEADER AMBILOS IEHSI OF PONAPE INTRODUCED BY REQUEST THREE BILLS THAT ARE LIKELY TO BE AMUNG THE MAJOR PIECES OF LEGISLATION CONSIDERED DURING THE SESSION. TWO ARE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW WHICH WAS PASSED EARLIER THYS YEAR.

ONE OF THESE MAKES CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE COMPENSATION TO BE PAID CONVENTION DELEGATES (SB 349). IT RAISES THE DAYLY PER DIEM RATE FROM TWENTY-FIVE TO THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS AND EIGHTY-FIVE CENTS, AND PROVIDES THAT MEMBERS OF THE PRE-CONVENTION AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEES SHALL ALSO RECEIVE THIS AMOUNT WHILE UNDERTAKING THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

THE OTHER AMENDMENT CREATES A CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (SR 347), WHICH WILL HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EXAMINING THE CREDENTIALS OF ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTED DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION, AND CONSIDERING ANY CHALLENGES MADE TO THEM. THE AMENDMENT WOULD, IF ADOPTED, PROVIDE THAT

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THE CUMMITTEE MUST MEET ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 26, 1974, AND
COMPLETE ITS WORK BEFORE THE END OF SEPTEMBER. THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT ALSO PROVIDES THAT DECISIONS OF THE
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MAY BE APPEALED TO THE PRE-CONVENTION
COMMITTEE, A SEVEN-MEMBER BOOK REPRESENTING ALL DISTRICT

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CONVENTION DELEGATIONS AND MEADED BY THE SENATE PRESIDENT.

THE THIRD ADMINISTRATION DELL INTRODUCED IN THE

SEMATE TUESDAY WOULD MAKE EXTENSIVE AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC

LAW LOCE: THE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SALARY PLAN ACT (SB 348).

THE MEAGING POULD SET UP PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT OF A "LOCAL

MEDI RAGINATIVE PREMIUMS TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS

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THE THE OR RETAIN CERTAIN LOCAL HIRE, CONTRACT, AND

THE COUNTRY NATIONAL EMPLOYEES.

THE MOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE OF THESE THREE BULLO LAS ALSO INTRODUCED, ALONG WITH ONE JOINT RESOLUTION. THE DULL AMENDING THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW AS IT RELATES TO COMPENSATION OF DELEGATES WAS UFFERED (HB 344). THE JOINT RESOLUTION WOULD ASK THE UNITED STATES

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BONGRESS TO AMEND CERTAIN PUBLIC LAWS TO EXTEND PROGRAMS
OF FEDERAL ASSISTANCE WITH RESPECT TO FISHERIES TO THE
TRUST TERRITORY (AJR 136).

THE USUAL OPENING CEREMONIES OF A CONGRESSIONAL SESSION WERE ALSO OBSERVED IN BOTH HOUSES, WITH INVOCATIONS DELIVERED BY GUEST MINISTERS AND THE TWO CHAMBERS INDORMING ONE ANOTHER THAT THEY ARE ORGANIZED AND READY TO CONDUCT BUSINESS.

SENATOR OLYMPIO T. BORJA (MARJANAS) SPOKE ON BEHALF OF HIS DELEGATION IN WELCOMING THE LAWMAKERS BACK TO BAYPAN, AND SAID IT IS HIS HOPE THAT PRIORITIES WILL BE SEY SO THAT THE CONGRESS CAN MAKE THE MAXIMUM PRODUCTIVE USE OF THE LIMITED TIME IT WILL HAVE DURING THIS BRIEF, 15-DAY SESSION.

HOTH HOUSES WILL MEET AGAIN AT TEN WEDNESDAY MORNING. CALL USERS PLEASE CREDIT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA) CHAKAYAMA AND HENRY SPEAKS AT OPENING)

SAIPAN, JULY 23 (CONGRESS RELEASE) -- THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FIFTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA SONVENED TUESDAY MORNING ON SAIPAN WITH SENATE PRESIDENT



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TOSINO NAKAYAMA AND HOUSE SPEAKER BETHWEL HENRY URGING THE
LAWMAKERS TO GET ON WITH THE TASK OF NATION-BUILDING.

IN REMARKS INSERTED INTO THE SENATE JOURNAL, PRESIDENT MAKAYAMA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE FIFTH CONGRESS HAS MADE PROGRESS TOWARDS PREPARING FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT OF MICRONESIA AND DEVELOPING AN ECONOMY, DURING THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF, BUT HE SAID "THE VERY CONVENING OF THIS SESSION AS A SIGN THAT OUR WORK IS NOT YET COMPLETED.

"AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FIFTH CONGRESS," SAID NAKAYAMA,

"" DELIVERED A SPEECH WHICH ASKED MICRONESIANS TO 'WAKE UP,'

TO THE REALITIES OF MICRONESIA TODAY AND ITS FUTURE NEEDS. I'

WAS MY OPINION THEN, AND IT IS NOW, THAT THE MAJOR WORK OF

THE FIFTH CONGRESS WAS OF TWO KINDS: CREATION OF THE LAWS

LIKE THAT FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WHICH WILL LEAD

THE WAY TO A NEW GOVERNMENT OF MICRONESIA, AND AT THE SAME

TIME A SECOND GOAL OF DEVELOPING OUR ECONOMY FOR THIS NEW

MICRONESIA.

"WE STILL HAVE MANY IMPORTANT THINGS TO DISCUSS AND DO FOR OUR PEOPLE," STATED NAKAYAMA, "WE STILL FACE MANY PROBLEMS WHICH ARE SHARED BY OTHER UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND WHICH

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ARE SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF MICRONESIA AS AN ISLAND NATION."
THE SENATE PRESIDENT SAID THE ACTIONS OF THE CONGRESS
"MAY HAVE GREAT EFFECTS ON THE FUTURE OF MICRONESIA AND OUR
PEOPLE" AND THAT FAILURE TO ACT WILL LIKEWISE HAVE ITS
EFFECT.
SPEAKER BETHWEL HENRY, ADDRESSING THE HOUSE OF

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REPRESENTATIVES, SAID WORK IN THE CURRENT SESSION WOULD BE CONTINUED ON MANY ITEMS OF LEGISLATION CARRIED OVER FROM THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION LAST JANUARY. NOTING SEVERAL ITEMS OF LEGISLATION NOW BEFORE THE CONGRESS, INCLUDING THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW, RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS, NEEDED PUBLIC PROJECTS AND COMPENSATION FOR CONTRACT EMPLOYEES, HE SAYD CONGRESS MEMBERS HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS TO SEEK THE ADVICE AND GUIDANCE OF LOCAL LEADERS

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"BECAUSE OF THIS ADDITIONAL INPUT," STATED HENRY, "I FEFL THAT THE TASK NOW BEFORE US IS CLEAR AND OUR LEGISLATIVE GUALS ARE NOW BETTER DEFINED."

SPEAKER HENRY SAID ONCE THE CONGRESS SUCCEEDS IN LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE STRUCTURE OF MICRONESIA'S FUTURE GOVERNMENT, AN EQUALLY IMPORTANT TASK WILL BE TO ENACT FARSIGHTED LEGISLATION DESIGNED TO HELP "CONQUER THE PROBLEM OF ECONOMIC UNDERDEVELOPMENT IN MICRONESIA."

"POLITICAL FREEDOM CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT ECONOMIC FREEDOM," SAID HENRY, "AND THIS CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED THROUGH IMAGINATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, BORNE OUT OF CREATIVE THINKING, USING NEW METHODS OF ACHIEVING PROGRESS."

SPEAKER HENRY SAID WHERE DISAGREEMENTS EXIST, THEY MUST BE SOLVED BY DISCUSSION AND COMPROMISE, ADDING THAT HE HAS "EVERY CONFIDENCE" THAT THE WILL OF THE MICRONESIAN PEOPLE ON IMPORTANT ISSUES CAN BE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON THE CONGRESS! LEGISLATIVE TASK.

"IN MAKING LAWS FOR OUR NEW NATION, WE MUST LOOK TO THE FUTURE," HE SAID, "LAWMAKING MUST GIVE PRIORITY TO

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LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT NEEDS AND OUR DECISIONS ARE VERY
TMPORTANT IN THIS AREA."
(FFNTRESS JOINS TT FLEET)

SAIPAN, JULY 23 (MNS) --- A NEW CONTAINER CARGO SHIP WILL SOON BEGIN OPERATIONS IN THE TRUST TERRITORY.



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ACCORDING TO YWAO B. ELANZO, ACTING CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION, THE M/S FENTRESS IS BEING READIED FOR MICRONESIAN SERVICE IN DAKLAND, CALIFORNIA. SEVEN CREW MEMBERS, ELANZO SAID TUESDAY (JILY 23), HAVE LEFT FOR CALIFORNIA.

THE PENTRESS WILL BE USED TO IMPROVE INTER-MICRONESIAN CONTAINER SHIPPING SERVICE AND PROVIDE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR THE PAR EAST SERVICE.

THE SAIPAN SHIPPING COMPANY, ELANZO SAID, WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY FUNDING TO ACTIVATE THE FENTRESS. SAIPAN SHIPPING WILL RECEIVE AN INITIAL TWO YEAR CHARTER TO OPERATE THE SHIP. THE FETRESS, ABOUT THE SIZE OF THE GUNNERS KNOT, CAN HOLD GO CONTAINERS, SAID ELANZO.

IT WILL BEGIN OPERATING IN MID-SEPTEMBER. IF THERE IS NO MICRONESIA BOUND CARGO ON THE WEST COAST, REPORTED ELANZO, THE FENTRESS WILL PROCEED TO KOREA FOR MINOR REPAIRS.

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SAIPAN, JULY 23 (MNS) --- THE MICRONESIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, A PROPOSED TRUST TERRITORY CORPORATION, HAS APPLIED FOR A FOREIGN INVESTORS BUSINESS PERMIT, ACCORDING TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT.

THE FIRM HAS APPLIED TO OFFER INTER - AND - INTRA - DISTRICT TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN ALL SIX TRUST TERRITORY DISTRICTS. THEY ALSO INDICATED THAT THEY WILL OFFER ELECTRICAL POWER SERVICE AND PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRICAL SKILLS. THEIR SAYPAN AGENT IS PEDRO A. TENORIO.

MICRONESIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS! APPLICATION HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO DISTRICT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARDS FOR THEIR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION.

IN OTHER BUSINESS PERMIT NEWS, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION REPORTED THAT ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN ON TWO BUSINESS PERMIT APPLICATIONS.

THE APPLICATION OF THE MICRONESIAN HOUSING CORPORATION, A TT FIRM, WAS REJECTED BY THE MARIANAS DISTRICT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD. THE BOARD FELT THAT THERE ARE ENOUGH

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THE YAP DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVED THE APPLICATION OF THE BONG AH AMERICAN CORPORATION OF GUAM TO ENGAGE IN CONSTRUCTION RELATED TO SERVICES IN THAT DISTRICT. DONG AHALRO APPLIED TO THE OTHER FIVE DISTRICTS; HOWEVER, THEY HAVE HOW YET ACTED ON THE APPLICATION.

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SAIPAN, JULY 23 (MNS) ===THE TRUST TERRITORY HAS JOINED GUAM, HAWAII, AMERICAN SAMOA AND MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN TUNA PIRHING INDUSTRY TO FORM THE PACIFIC TUNA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION. THE FOUNDATION WILL BE INVOLVED IN IMPROVING THE SKTPJACK TUNA FISHING AND PROCESSING INDUSTRY IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC. ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FROM THE MARINE RESOURCES DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, MICRONESIAN FISHERMEN WILL THEN BE ABLE TO UTILIZE THE NEW FIRHING TECHNIQUES DEVELOPED, THEREBY MAKING TUNA FISHING A MORE PROFITABLE AND VIABLE ENTERPRISE.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY

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\$400,000 TO ASSIST IN THE PROMOTION OF THE FISHING INDUSTRY.
THE AMERICAN TUNA INDUSTRY WILL PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL \$400,000
AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL PROVIDE
\$35,000. THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF
THE PLANNED THREE YEAR OPERATION.

ANDREW GERAKAS OF HAWAII HAS BEEN ELECTED CHAIRMAN-PRESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC TUNA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION. REPRESENTATIVES FROM GUAM AND THE TRUST TERRITORY TO SERVE AS VICE PRESIDENT AND SECOND VICE PRESIDENT RESPECTIVELY, WILL BE SELECTED AT A LATER DATE.

THE ONLY TUNA FISHING TECHNIQUE NOW IN USE IN MICRONESIA IS LIVE BAIT FISHING. A LACK OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF LIVE BAIT IN THE TRUST TERRITORY WILL LIMIT THE ANNUAL CATCH OF SKIPJACK WHEN THE TOTAL FISHERY IS DEVELOPED. RESEARCH TO IMPROVE THE BATT SITUATION IS PRESENTLY BEING CONDUCTED, ALONG WITH STUDIES



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ON THE POSSIBILITY OF BAIT FARMING AND OF BULK SHIPMENT OF LIVE BATT TO THE TRUST TERRITORY AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDS.

THE PACIFIC TUNA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION INTENDS TO DEVELOP THE MOST ECONOMICAL METHOD OF IMPROVING THE SKIPJACK TUNA INDUSTRY IN THE PACIFIC FOR MICRONESIAN AND AMERICAN

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FISHING INTERESTS. THE NEW TECHNIQUES DEVELOPED WILL ENABLE
THE MICRONESIAN FISHERMAN TO UTILIZE TO A GREATER EXTENT THE
STOCK OF SKIPJACK TUNA WHICH OCCUR IN THE PACIFIC.
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PALAU**, JULY 23. (MNS) === AUSTRALIA*S HIGH COMMISSIONER
TO THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU**, L.G. SELLARS, HAS COMPLETED



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HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO PALAU AFTER MEETING WITH DISTRICT OFFICIALS AND TRADITIONAL AND ELECTED LEADERS. HIS TOUR LASTED FROM JULY 17 TO 21.

ACCORDING TO DAVID NGIRMIDOL, PALAU PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, SELLARS SAID THAT MEETINGS WITH THE PALAU LEGISLATURE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, TWO TRADITIONAL CHIEFS, AND KOROR MAYOR RUBASCH FRITZ WERE ESPECIALLY PRODUCTIVE. THE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE DISCUSSED WITH SELLARS THE

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POSSIBILITY OF RECEIVING FOREIGN AID FROM AUSTRALIA.
DURING HIS TOUR OF YAP, THAT LEGISLATURE ALSO RAISED THE
SURJECT.

SELLARS ALSO DISCUSSED PROBLEMS FACED BY PALAU'S PRIVATE BUSINESSES IN THE AREAS OF SHIPPING, TRADE AND PRICE CONTROLS, NGIRMIDOL REPORTED.

HIGH COMMISSIONER SELLARS VISITED THE MICRONESIAN OCCUPATIONAL CENTER, THE VAN CAMP SEA FOOD COMPANY, THE PALAU MUSEUM, AND THE MICRONESIAN MARI-CULTURE DEMONSTRATION CENTER. SELLARS, IT WAS REPORTED, WAS ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED BY THE WORK OF THE MARI-CULTURE CENTER.

SELLARS IS NOW ON SAIPAN FOR THE OPENING OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA. POIMATOL RECEIVES AWARD)

SAIPAN, JULY 23 (MNS) -- AN INCENTIVE AWARD WAS PRESENTED TO CESAR L. DUMATOL TUESDAY (JULY 23) FOR HIS "OUTSTANDING FFFORTS" IN WORKING WITH THE TRUST TERRITORY CENSUS.

HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD E. JOHNSTON PRESENTED DUMATOL WITH A CHECK AND CALLED HIS WORD "AN INSPIRATION TO OTHER FMPLOYEES."

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DUMATOL, WHO WORKS IN THE TT DISASTER CONTROL OFFICE, TRAINED DISTRICT CENSUS SUPERVISORS, CENSUS ENUMERATORS, AND CHECKERS AND CODERS.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE AWARD CEREMONY WERE WILLIAM H. STEWART, FORMER CENSUS COORDINATOR, AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS



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STRIK YOMA' YOMA IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE INCENTIVE AWARDS COMMITTEE.

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