

Critical Of Status Change

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SAIPAN—In the lull between Micronesian future status talks, Truk's Anti-Independence Association has released another stinging criticism of advocates of an independent Micronesia.

"The Anti-Independence Association of Truk firmly believes that Micronesia is not ready for independence either now or for many years to come," said Nick Bossy, the association's president.

"This firm belief is based on the realistic and obvious lack of local natural resources," added Bossy, who is the Truk District personnel officer, in a statement.

Analogizing, Bossy said that Micronesia today "is like a breadfruit which is still green and not yet ripe. The Micronesians (especially the Trukese) are far better than any Westerner in determining when a green breadfruit is ripe and ready for human consumption."

"Micronesia has to be ripe before we can harvest her fruits."

The Anti-Independence Association spokesman took issue with "a very few impatient and radical Micronesians and Americans" who claim that Micronesia is ready for complete independence, that it is too dependent on the United States and that it can never become independent if this dependency continues indefinitely.

"What is wrong," asked Bossy, "with this dependence on the United States of America—legally, morally or otherwise?"

"Isn't Micronesia going to seek financial assistance from outside even under an independent government?"

"Isn't the government of the United States obligated under the Trusteeship Agreement to provide millions of dollars for the development and betterment of these islands for economical, educational, political, and social advancement?"



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Q. I would like to know the addresses of the following organizations: The Consumer Protection Agency, Federal Trade Commission, and Better Business Bureau, J.L.I.

A. Write Consumer Product Safety Commission, 5401 Westward Ave., Washington, D.C., 20207; Federal Trade Commission, Pennsylvania Ave. at Sixth St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 20580; and the Council of Better Business Bureaus, 1150 17th St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 20036.

Q. Could you tell me if there is a doctor on the island who performs hair transplants for men? S.J.F.

A. Consult Dr. E.M. Espaldon, in the Doctor's Clinic in Carlos Heights.

Q. I want to know why KUAM television has begun showing reruns on its Stateside shows. They did this last year too. I was told last year that people were on vacation. On vacation from January through August? Please get the facts on this for me. C.D.

A. The fact is that the network seasons end in December, and KUAM has nothing to do with that. They don't save tapes to rerun; whatever is being played on the Mainland is taped and sent out for broadcast one week later. So actually, reruns on Guam start one week later than anywhere else in the U.S. Consider yourself lucky.

Q. Is Guam defended by anti-ballistic missiles and anti-aircraft missiles? If so, why aren't we told of their existence? E.V.

A. According to the SALT agreements, explained Capt. Donald Toler of the Andersen AFB information office, the United States and the Soviet Union are limited to two ABM sites — one to defend the national capital and one to provide an ICBM site (ours is in North Dakota). Therefore Guam has no ABMs. As for anti-aircraft missiles, an Army spokesman said that "if there were any, they'd be classified. But I haven't seen any; have you?"

Q. You have helped me in the past. Our Boy Scout Troop 28 has repainted three of the four signs we asked about (War Dog Cemetery and Two Lovers' Point) and the other one should be completed in a week or so. Now I would like to see a living fil tree, or second best, a picture of one. We would like to sketch it. J.W.S.

A. The Department of Agriculture in Mangilao has seedlings of fil trees. The scientific name is *Intsia bijuga*, if you're going to look it up in the library. Living full-grown trees can be found, I hear, just past Pago Bay as you're going towards Yona, on the left side of the road half-way up the incline from the new ground-clearing.

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