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TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS
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Introduced by: Honorable Christobal S. Inos

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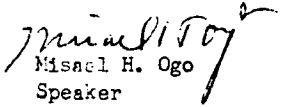
A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO RESPECTFULLY MEMORIALIZING AND REQUESTING THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION NOT TO REACH ANY FIRM AGREEMENTS ON THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS OF THE MARIANAS UNTIL AND UNLESS THE MERITORIOUS WAR CLAIMS OF THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN FULLY AND EQUITABLY SETTLED.

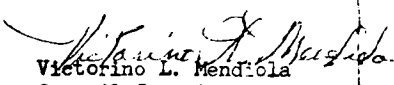
- WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted under District Law No. 3-124, the Marianas Political Status Commission has entered into negotiations with the United States of America with regard to the future political status of the Mariana Islands District; and
- WHEREAS, preliminary agreements are being reached on a great number of issues affecting the future relationship of the Marianas and the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS, Public Law 39-92, enacted by the United States Congress, provided for the establishment of the Micronesia Claims Commission and set out the procedures for the collection and adjudication of meritorious wartime and post-secure losses and damages; and
- WHEREAS, to date, the Micronesian War Claims Commission has only issued one decision under the Micronesian Claims Act of 1971, Decision No. 1, which sets the maximum amount to be paid for death claim at \$5,000.00; and
- WHEREAS, as authorized under the Micronesian Claims Act of 1971, awardees may only be paid up to \$1,000.00 for their death claims, and there is no assurance that the claimants will receive any additional payments, which would have the effect of reducing the death awards to a maximum of only \$1,000.00 or less; and
- WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Rota Municipal Council that the United States of America has a moral obligation atleast to make certain that the claimants of meritorious claims be treated fairly and equitably, and if they are not, then there should be no obligation to seek to accommodate the military needs of the United States by making land available, that could result in a future destruction of our properties without any recourse; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Political Status Commission be and hereby is respectfully memorialized not to reach any firm agreements on the future political status of the Marianas until and unless the meritorious war Claims of the people have been fully and equitably settled; and

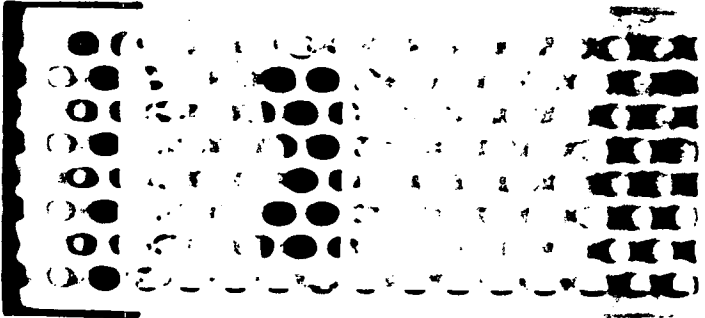
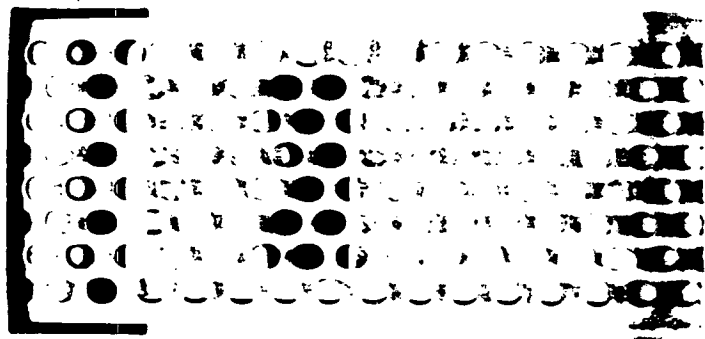
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Speaker of the Rota Municipal Council certify to and the Secretary attest the adoption hereof and thereafter transmit copies of the same to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State to Ambassador Franklin Haydn Williams, the President of the Mariana Islands District Legislature, the President and the Speaker of the Congress of Micronesia, the District Administrator, Mariana Islands District, the Mayor, Rota Municipality, and to the Marianas Political Status Commission, and to the Chairman of the Micronesian Claims Commission.

PASSED BY THE 11TH ROTA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL THIS 21ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1974.


Misael H. Ogo
Speaker


Victorino L. Mendiola
Council Secretary

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