

(CONGRESSMEN VISIT TINIAN)  
SAIPAN, FEB. 4 (MNS)---SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS  
OF MICRONESIA VISITED THE ISLAND OF TINIAN IN THE MARIANAS  
THIS PAST WEEKEND. THEY HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS  
CONCERNING LOCAL PROBLEMS AND VIEWS ON FUTURE STATUS AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND ALSO HEARD PLANS OF A TINIAN  
BUSINESS VENTURE THAT COULD MAKE THE TRUST TERRITORY  
SELF-SUFFICIENT IN DAIRY PRODUCTS.

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THE CONGRESSMEN, LED BY SPEAKER BETHUEL HENRY AND PRESIDENT  
TOSIMO NAKAYAMA, WERE GREETED AT THE TINIAN AIRPORT BY A  
POLICE HONOR GUARD AND A DELEGATION OF THE ISLAND'S LEADERS.  
ALSO THERE TO GREET THEM WERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WAVING SIGNS  
REFLECTING AN ANTI-MILITARY POSITION, ACCORDING TO MARIANAS  
REPRESENTATIVE FELIPE O. ATALIG, WHO REPRESENTS TINIAN IN THE  
CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA. THE CONGRESSMEN SAID OTHER SIGNS  
ASKED FOR MORE LAND FOR THE PEOPLE TO FARM AND HOMESTEAD,  
ASKED FOR A LIFTING OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
MORATORIUM, AND SO FORTH.

THE CONGRESSMEN WERE GIVEN A TOUR OF THE ISLAND, AND WERE  
GUESTS AT A BEACH BARBECUE HOSTED BY MARIANAS DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION (MDC), TINIAN'S LARGEST BUSINESS ENTERPRISE. MAYOR  
ANTONIO BORJA SPOKE AT THE BARBECUE, ASKING THE CONGRESS TO  
LOOK INTO THE MATTER OF THE ECONOMIC MORATORIUM AS THIS IS A  
MAJOR CONCERN OF HIS PEOPLE. BUSINESS MEN JONES OF MDC ALSO  
SPOKE, AND HE ALSO ASKED FOR THE HELP OF THE CONGRESS IN  
GETTING THE MORATORIUM LIFTED, SO THAT HE CAN PROCEED WITH PLANS  
TO ENLARGE HIS OPERATION ON TINIAN.

IN THAT REGARD, JONES INFORMED THE VISITING CONGRESSMEN  
THAT HIS COMPANY EXPECTS TO RECEIVE A SHIPMENT OF 700 DAIRY **03-023159**  
CATTLE FROM NEW ZEALAND IN MARCH. ACCORDING TO CONGRESSMAN

ATALIG, JONES STATED THAT IT IS THE PLAN OF HIS COMPANY TO  
PRODUCE SUFFICIENT FRESH MILK AND BUTTER ON TINIAN TO  
SATISFY DEMAND FOR THESE PRODUCTS IN THE ENTIRE TRUST  
TERRITORY.

MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA HAVE ALSO BEEN  
INVITED TO VISIT ROTA NEXT WEEKEND, AND A LARGE NUMBER OF THEM  
ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE THE TRIP AT THE INVITATION OF ROTA  
MUNICIPAL LEADERS.