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ABOUT LOCATING A NEW CAPITOL OF MICRONESIA."
NAKAYAMA SAID DECISIONS ON FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS WILL
ALSO AFFECT THE FORM OF FUTURE GOVERNMENT OF MICRONESIA.
BECAUSE OF THIS, HE SAID CONSIDERATION MUST BE GIVEN TO

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IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW THAT WERE VETOED LAST YEAR.

"WE MUST THINK ABOUT WHAT THAT VETO MEANS AND WHAT WE MUST DO ABOUT IT," NAKAYAMA CONTINUED: "IT IS MY OPINION THAT THE CONGRESS MUST ENACT AMENDMENTS TO THIS LAW TO MAKE OUR CONVENTION THIS JULY MORE EFFECTIVE:"

HE SAID ONE SUCH AMENDMENT WILL BE IF THE TRADITIONAL CHIEFS OF MICRONESIA WHO ARE DELEGATES WILL HAVE A VOTE IN

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THE CONVENTION.

CONCERNING WHAT HE TERMED AS THE "PRESENT STATE" OF THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS, THE SENATE PRESIDENT SAID CONSIDERATION NOW MUST BE GIVEN TO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTION AND THE COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION.

NAKAYAMA MADE NO MENTION OF THE TERMS OF THE COMPACT, HOWEVER, THE COMPACT INCLUDED PROVISIONS THAT WOULD MAKE IT THE SUPREME LAW IN MICRONESIA, MEANING IT WOULD RIDE OVER MICRONESIA'S FUTURE CONSTITUTION.

"OUR POSITION AND DECISION ON ALL THESE MATTERS AFFECTING OUR FUTURE GOVERNMENT MUST BE STRONG AND CLEAR," CONTINUED NAKAYAMA, "FOR ONLY MICRONESIANS SHOULD MAKE THE DETERMINATION AFFECTING THEIR FUTURE."

NAKAYAMA SAID ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WILL BE RAISED IN THE UPCOMING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WHICH IS RELATED TO FUTURE STATUS AND GOVERNMENT IS THE ISSUE OF MICRONESIA'S UNITY.

"WHAT NOW MUST WE DO TO PREVENT FURTHER DISUNITY IN OUR ISLANDS?" HE ASKED. "HOW DO WE COUNTER ACTIONS BEYOND OUR CONTROL--LIKE THE NEW DEPARTMENTAL ORDER--WHICH ENCOURAGE

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SEPARATISM, AND AT THE SAME TIME EAT AWAY THE AUTHORITY OF THIS CONGRESS?"

NAKAYAMA CONTINUED: "IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE CONGRESS MUST TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN THIS QUESTION, JUST AS IT MUST ON ECONOMIC MATTERS WHICH WILL ALSO AFFECT, AND BE AFFECTED

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BY OUR UNITY, OUR GOVERNMENT, AND FUTURE STATUS."

THE SENATE PRESIDENT POINTED OUT THAT ANOTHER MAJOR ISSUE FACING MICRONESIA TODAY IS ITS ECONOMY. THE RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS BY DEPARTMENTAL ORDER AND REVENUE SHARING LEGISLATION, HE SAID, WILL MEAN LESS MONEY FOR THE CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE FOR MICRONESIA-WIDE PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS. OTHER PROBLEMS TO BE CONSIDERED ARE THE INFLUENCES OF INFLATION AND RECESSION ON THE ECONOMY, HE SAID.

"WHAT SHALL WE DO ABOUT WAGES FOR MICRONESIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN THE FACT OF INCREASING COSTS, AND DECREASING REVENUES?" HE ASKED. OFFERING QUESTIONS CONCERNING WAYS TO SOLVE MICRONESIA'S IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS SUCH AS SHIPPING SERVICES, INCREASE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND MARINE RESOURCES, AND DECREASE THE NEED FOR IMPORTED GOODS, NAKAYAMA SAID LONG-RANGE PLANS MUST BE MADE FOR ALL THESE ISSUES.

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"THE CONGRESS MUST SET THE PRIORITIES AND INITIATE PLANS TO BE CARRIED OUT WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION," HE STRESSED, "AND THIS PLAN MUST BE TIED TO OUR FUTURE STATUS GOALS."

NAKAYAMA SAID IN DECISION MAKING REGARDING FUTURE STATUS, GOVERNMENT, UNITY, AND ECONOMY, MUST ALSO INVOLVE THE SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT OF MICRONESIA'S PEOPLE. HE SAID STEPS MUST BE TAKEN NOT ONLY TO IMPROVE HEALTH, EDUCATION, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION, BUT ALSO ASKED IN MAKING A CHANGE FROM A SUBSISTENCE SOCIETY WHILE "KEEPING THOSE GOOD VALUES AND CUSTOMS OF MICRONESIA AND HER PEOPLES."

(ALL USERS: PLEASE CREDIT CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA)
(SILK SCORES INTERIOR DEPARTMENT)

SAIPAN -- JAN. 17. (CONGRESS RELEASE) -- DURING THE CLOSING MINUTES SILK DELIVERED A VERBAL BLAST AT THE UNITED STATES CHARGING THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD DECEIVED THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA; THAT IT "KICKS THIS CONGRESS AROUND...TO ACHIEVE ITS OWN ENDS" AND CONSEQUENTLY WHILE "MICRONESIANS NO LONGER HAVE THE TRUST, THE UNITED STATES STILL HAS THE TERRITORY."

SILK'S REMARKS WERE SPARKED BY THE THE RECENT ISSUANCE OF

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INTERIOR DEPARTMENTAL ORDER NO. 2969, AND DENIALS BY INTERIOR THAT THE ORDER WAS MEANT TO BYPASS THE CONGRESS, WHICH HE TERMED AN "INSULT TO THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA."

DESCRIBING MICRONESIAN LAND AS THE "MOST PRECIOUS COMMODITY" OF THE PEOPLE HE VIEWED RECENT ACTIONS BY INTERIOR AS "DISAPPOINTING AND DISGUSTING."

"I AM NOT ANTI-AMERICAN...BUT THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA DESERVE TO KNOW THAT THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY, THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, THROUGH THE INFLUENCE OF THE OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS, HAS INSULTED THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA...AND AT THE SAME TIME DECEIVED THE PEOPLE "BY DENYING IT HAS DONE SO", HE SAID.

IN HIS STRONGLY-WORDED STATEMENT, SILK SAID "IF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA DOUBT THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD DO SUCH A THING, THEN THEY SHOULD REMEMBER THAT A FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES LIED TO OVER 200 MILLION AMERICANS ABOUT A POLITICAL SCANDAL AND OTHER COMMITTEES ABOUT NATIONAL INTEREST."

THE MARSHALLS CONGRESSMAN WHO HAS SERVED AS CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, SAID THE UNITED STATES CLAIMED THAT IN RETURNING PUBLIC LANDS BY SECRETARIAL ORDER, IT

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"WAS DOING SO AT THE REQUEST OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA."

"APPARENTLY THEY DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS CONGRESS REPRESENTS THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA," HE DECLARED. "I SAY THIS BECAUSE THE ORIGINAL REQUEST FOR THE RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS CAME FROM THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS OF THE CONGRESS. THE REQUEST WE MADE WAS THEN GRANTED IN A MANNER TO DESTROY UNITY IN MICRONESIA, AND THIS CONGRESS, BY ATTACHING UNACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS TO THE RETURN OF OUR OWN LAND."

SILK CONTINUED: "WE MADE THE REQUEST, AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE CONGRESS SHOULD ENACT LEGISLATION TO RETURN THE LANDS TO THE PEOPLE. WE ENACTED LEGISLATION WHICH WAS APPROVED BY EVERY DISTRICT IN THE TRUST TERRITORY. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER VETOED THAT LEGISLATION."

"THE PEOPLE WERE TOLD THAT THE CONGRESS HAD 'FAILED' IN ITS TASK," HE POINTED OUT, ADDING: "THIS IS AN OUIRRIGHT LIE. "SILK

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