

ADMINISTRATION AND COM VIEWS CLASH IN FINAL UN DEBATE

UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK, JULY 9 (UNSC) -- ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE GENERAL DEBATE AT THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL MEETING IN NEW YORK THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA FOUND THEMSELVES DISAGREEING WITH EACH OTHER MORE OFTEN THAN AGREEING.

WHEREAS TOSIWO NAKAYAMA, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, CONTINUALLY EMPHASIZED THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION AND THE NEED TO BRING ANY DRAFT COMPACT IN LINE WITH ITS PROVISIONS, AMBASSADOR ALBERT SCHERER, JR., U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, NEVER ONCE MENTIONED THE CONSTITUTION AND REFERRED ONLY TO THE INITIALED COMPACT. HE SAID HE WAS CONFIDENT AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED ON THE COMPACT IN REGARD TO MARITIME MATTERS.

SENATOR NAKAYAMA ALSO STRONGLY ATTACKED THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY'S ATTITUDE OF NOT PURSUING ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO PAY WAR CLAIMS, SAYING THAT SUCH LACK OF ACTION CAST DOUBTS ON THE ADVISABILITY OF HAVING THE UNITED STATES REPRESENT MICRONESIAN INTERESTS IN THE FUTURE CONDUCT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

AMBASSADOR SCHERER FOLLOWED BY SAYING THAT THE U.S. "DOES NOT EXPECT TO REOPEN NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPAN IN REGARD TO TITLE I," AND NOTED THAT TITLE II AUTHORIZATION BILL WAS NOT APPROVED BY THE U.S. CONGRESS.

HOWEVER, ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN SAID IN HIS STATEMENT THAT IT WAS HIS PERSONAL HOPE THAT ADDITIONAL FUNDS WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE.

AN INTERESTED OBSERVER TO THE DISCUSSION ON WAR CLAIMS WAS SHIGENOBU NAGAI, FIRST SECRETARY TO THE JAPANESE MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS. AFTERWARD, NAGAI ALLOWED THAT HE TOO BELIEVED THAT THERE COULD BE NO FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPAN FOR TITLE I CLAIMS.

COLEMAN IN HIS CLOSING STATEMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS APPROVED ON JULY 2 AN APPROPRIATION OF \$20 MILLION FOR THE CLEANUP OF ENEWETOK ATOLL, THE FIRST PHASE OF WHICH IS TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THREE AGENCIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR HAVE ALL AGREED THAT AN AERIAL RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY BE DONE FOR BIKINI AND THE MATTER IS NOW BEFORE THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET FOR DETERMINATION OF WHICH AGENCY SHOULD FUND THE SURVEY AND IN WHAT MANNER.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT RELAYED TO SAIPAN BY PEACESAT SATELLITE, FILED BY TT PRESS OFFICER, JIM HALL, BOTH AMBASSADOR SCHERER AND ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER COLEMAN REPUTED AT SOME LENGTH THE ALLEGATIONS OF THE MARSHALLESE COMMISSION ON FUTURE STATUS AND THE GROUP'S COUNSEL. THESE ALLEGATIONS WERE: THERE IS A POLICY OF APARTHEID AT KWAJALEIN, THAT DOCTORS FROM KWAJALEIN FAILED TO ASSIST THE MARSHALLESE ON EBEBE DURING A FLU EPIDEMIC, THAT THE U.S. HAS DELIBERATELY STIFLED ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE MARSHALLS, AND THAT THE U.S. SUPPORT OF MICRONESIAN UNITY WAS AN ATTEMPT TO COLONIZE MICRONESIA.

IN RESPONSE TO THE LATTER CHARGE, AMBASSADOR SCHERER SAID "THE MICRONESIAN NEGOTIATORS AND THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA LEADERSHIP HAVE CLEARLY STATED THAT THEIR PREFERRED OPTION IS UNITY WITH THE MARSHALLS AND CAROLINE ISLANDS IN FREE ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES." THE INITIALED COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION RESPONDS TO THAT DESIRE, THE AMBASSADOR SAID.

AMBASSADOR SCHERER ALSO STRONGLY REBUTTED THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SOVIET UNION WHO HAD SAID THAT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA WAS "COERCED INTO SUPPORTING THE COVENANT WITH THE NORTHERN MARIANAS." SAID SCHERER, "MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY RECALL THAT AT NO POINT DID PRESIDENT NAKAYAMA SUGGEST THAT EFFORTS WERE MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATION TO COERCE THE CONGRESS. "MOREOVER, "HE CONTINUED, "THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA HAS NEVER ADVOCATED IMPOSING A POLITICAL STATUS ON THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS AGAINST THEIR WILL."

THERE WILL BE NO MEETINGS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL FRIDAY (NEW YORK TIMES). FINAL VOTING ON THE REPORTS WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT MONDAY.

(COM REPRESENTATIVES MAKE FINAL REMARKS AT UN MEETING)
UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK JULY 9 (COM) --- MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA FRIDAY (SAIPAN TIMES) PRESENTED THEIR CLOSING REMARKS TO THE 43RD SESSION OF THE UNITED

NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. SENATE PRESIDENT TOSIWO NAKAYAMA AND REPRESENTATIVE RAYMOND SETIK DELIVERED THEIR SPEECHES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CLOSING DAY OF THE COUNCIL'S DELIBERATIONS ON THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

REPRESENTATIVE SETIK, WHO SPOKE FIRST, TOUCHED ON THE SUBJECT OF MICRONESIA'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN, DECENTRALIZATION, AND THE SURTAX MEASURE WHICH WAS NULLIFIED BY SECRETARIAL ORDER.

SENATOR NAKAYAMA DELIVERED REMARKS CONCERNING MICRONESIAN UNITY, THE DRAFT COMPACT AND THE CONSTITUTION, WAR CLAIMS, THE LAW OF THE SEA, AND THE SERVICE TO SAIPAN AIR ROUTE CASE.

IN HIS REMARKS, SETIK RESPONDED TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS BY FRANCE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN. HE NOTED THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, AS POLITICAL LEADERS, HAD THE RESPONSIBILITY TO INSURE THAT THE PLAN WAS FULLY CARRIED OUT. HE ALSO EXPLAINED THAT WITH REGARD TO TAXATION MEASURES CONSIDERED UNDER THE PLAN, THE LONG RANGE OBJECTIVE WOULD BE TO MAKE EACH DISTRICT GOVERNMENT SELF-SUPPORTING IN ORDER TO BETTER USE U.S. GRANT FUNDS FOR INCOME PRODUCING PROJECTS.

ON THE SUBJECT OF DECENTRALIZATION, SETIK STATED AGAIN THAT THE CONGRESS WAS IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PRINCIPLE AND THAT IN FACT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA "FIRST INITIATED THE CONCEPT BY A REPORT OF ONE OF ITS COMMITTEES IN 1969." SETIK REITERATED THAT DECENTRALIZATION SHOULD BE IN LINE WITH THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDED FOR IN THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTION, AND THAT IT "SHOULD NOT BE APPROACHED WITH HASTE BUT WITH DELIBERATE SPEED AS WE SEE OUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES TO WARRANT IT." HE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE U.S. COULD PUSH FOR DECENTRALIZATION OUT OF "EXPEDIENCY," SAYING SUCH A MOVE WOULD POSSIBLY "BE DISRUPTIVE TO MICRONESIAN UNITY."

WITH REGARD TO DECISION-MAKING HE RESTATED THAT DECISIONS ARE BEING MADE IN WASHINGTON, NOT IN SAIPAN, SAYING THAT "WHILE WE REGRET BRINGING THIS INTERNAL MATTERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL WE FEEL OBLIGED TO DO SO SINCE IT WAS THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS, MR. ZEDER, WHO CITED THE SUMMARY DISMISSAL OF ONE OF OUR SENIOR MICRONESIAN DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS. SETIK SAID THAT WHILE THEY DID NOT HAVE ALL OF THE BACKGROUND INFORMATION DISTRICTS ARE SUBJECT TO ADVISE AND CONSENT BY THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA AND WHILE THERE WAS NO LEGAL REQUIREMENT THAT THE CONGRESS BE CONSULTED IT APPEARED IN RETROSPECT THAT THE DECISION REQUIRED "CLOSE COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION."

CONTINUING, SETIK STATED THAT IN THE PAST CONGRESS LEADERSHIP WAS CONSULTED ABOUT CHANGES IN HIGH LEVEL EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS HELD BY EXPATRIATES AND ONE WOULD THEREFORE WONDER WHY IN THIS PARTICULAR INSTANCE NO SIMILAR CONSULTATION TOOK PLACE."

ON THE SURTAX ISSUE, SETIK NOTED THAT IT CONTINUED TO BE THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA POSITION THAT TAXES SHOULD APPLY EQUALLY AND SHOULD MAKE NO EXCEPTIONS OF THOSE PERSONS OR COMPANIES WHO MAY BE PRESENT IN MICRONESIA BECAUSE OF U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITIES.

SENATE PRESIDENT NAKAYAMA BEGAN HIS STATEMENT BY DISCUSSING THE DRAFT COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION AND THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTION. HE POINTED OUT THAT INITIALING THE DRAFT COMPACT IN NO WAY WAS BINDING UPON THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA AND THAT IT WOULD BE REVIEWED BY THE NEW COMMISSION ON STATUS AND TRANSITION.

ON THE CONSTITUTION SENATOR NAKAYAMA SAID THAT "WE ARE STILL OPTIMISTIC THAT THE CONSTITUTION WILL PROTECT THE INTERESTS AND CONCERNS" STATED BY PETITIONERS FROM THE MARSHALL ISLANDS AND PALAU, AND THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION AS SUGGESTED BY THE UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATE WOULD BE "CAREFULLY CONSIDERED." NAKAYAMA ADDED HOWEVER THAT "IT IS NOT YET TIME TO RUSH IN WITH AMENDMENTS BEFORE THE CONSTITUTION IS UNDERSTOOD, AND BEFORE THE COMPACT IS WORKED OUT."

SENATOR NAKAYAMA THEN DEALT IN LENGTH ON THE SUBJECT OF MICRONESIAN WAR CLAIMS. HE SAID IT WAS NOT JUST A QUESTION OF "A MEANS OF ENRICHING A FEW MICRONESIANS FOR THEIR WAR CLAIMS" BUT THAT "JUSTICE AND EQUITY DEMANDED THAT MICRONESIANS BE FULLY COMPENSATED." HE POINTED OUT THAT MICRONESIANS WERE INNOCENT BYSTANDERS AND HAD SUFFERED THE LOSS OF PROPERTY, LIFE AND LIMB. HE CONTINUED BY SAYING THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA HAD ENACTED A BILL TO CREATE A WAR CLAIMS COMMISSION TO PRESS FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN BUT IT

HAD BEEN VETOED: THAT MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS HAD TRIED TO TALK WITH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BUT HAD BEEN BLOCKED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT. BUT, HE NOTED, THAT MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH OFFICIALS OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN ASSURED THAT IF THE U. S. SUPPORTED MICRONESIAN CLAIMS, THEIR REQUEST WOULD RECEIVE FAVORABLE ATTENTION.

NAKAYAMA RELATED THAT THE PARTIAL PAYMENT OF 16 PERCENT WITH A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND THE SHORTFALL OF FUNDS WAS "ADDING INSULT TO INJURY," AND HE NOTED THAT THE WAR CLAIMS MEASURE WHICH DID NOT PASS THE U. S. CONGRESS THIS YEAR FAILED BECAUSE IT WAS ATTACHED TO THE COVENANT AS A RIDER AND WAS NOT PRESENTED AS A SEPARATE MEASURE.

CONCLUDING ON THE WAR CLAIMS MATTER HE ASKED THAT "OUR POSITION AND OUR DESIRES BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS COUNCIL TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL."

SENATOR NAKAYAMA THEN TOUCHED BRIEFLY ON THE LAW OF THE SEA ISSUE, SAYING THAT "OUR POSITION HAS BEEN MADE CLEAR TO THE COUNCIL AND THAT IT IS WELL UNDERSTOOD WAS EVIDENCED BY THE LACK OF QUESTIONS ON THAT MATTER. CONSIDERING THE PROVISIONS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT, WE THEREFORE LOOK FORWARD TO FAVORABLE SUPPORT FROM THIS COUNCIL," HE SAID.

THE SENATE PRESIDENT THEN THANKED THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL FOR ITS SUPPORT OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA ON THE JAPAN-Saipan AIR ROUTE CASE AND EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE ON LEARNING THAT AIR MICRONESIA HAD BEEN AWARDED THE ROUTE.

IN CLOSING, NAKAYAMA THANKED THE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONCERN, NOTING THAT THE REMARKS MADE BY THE MICRONESIAN ADVISORS DID NOT ALWAYS AGREE WITH THOSE OF THE U. S. OR TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTRATION. "YOU CAN BE SURE THAT OUR COMMENTS ARE SINCERE AND CONSTRUCTIVE IN NATURE. WE OBSERVE THAT DISSENT IS ONE OF THE RIGHTS PRESERVED UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES. THIS FACT HAS NOT BEEN LOST ON US. WE THEREFORE OWE OUR GRATITUDE TO THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR ALLOWING US TO BE HERE AND TO PRESENT THE VIEWS OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA," HE CONCLUDED.

(TRUK LEGISLATURE SPECIAL SESSION OPENS)

TRUK, JULY 9 (HNS)---THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE TRUK DISTRICT LEGISLATURE GOT UNDERWAY ON TUESDAY (JULY 6) OF THIS WEEK ON MOEN, TRUK DISTRICT CENTER. THE LEGISLATURE WILL MEET FOR 12 CALENDAR DAYS, ACCORDING TO NOHA RUBEN, TRUK PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER.

OPENING REMARKS WERE HEARD FROM DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR MITARO DANIS; MOEN MAYOR FUCHITA BOSSY; CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA REPRESENTATIVE SASAUA HARUO; AND SPEAKER KOICHI SABA.

DISTAD DANIS EXPLAINED THE REASON FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION. HE NOTED THAT TYPHOON PAMELA, WHICH STRUCK TRUK MAY 17 KILLING 10 PEOPLE, DELAYED THE OPENING OF THE REGULAR SESSION FOR SEVERAL DAYS AND PREVENTED DELIBERATION OF SEVERAL IMPORTANT MEASURES.

HE STRONGLY URGED THE LAWMAKERS TO APPROVE THE INDICATIVE ECONOMIC PLAN FOR TRUK AND PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIGH COMMISSIONER TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE EXTENSION OF TRUK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

SPEAKING ABOUT POLITICAL STATUS, DANIS INFORMED THE MEMBERS THAT REPRESENTATIVES FROM PALAU AND MARSHALLS DISTRICT WERE AT THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL HEARINGS REQUESTING SEPARATE POLITICAL STATUS. ONE DISTRICT, ACCORDING TO DANIS, FELT THE OTHER DISTRICTS ARE DELAYING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROWTH IN THEIR DISTRICT. HE DID NOT MENTION WHAT DISTRICT HE WAS, REFERRING TO NOR EXPLAIN THE CAUSE FOR THE DELAY.

"THIS STATEMENT," HE DECLARED, "SHOULD BE USED AS AN ENCOURAGEMENT AND A MOTIVE FOR US TO WORK HARDER IN IMPROVING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF OUR DISTRICT. IF THEY CAN DO IT, I DON'T SEE ANY REASON WHY WE CANNOT DO THE SAME."

ANOTHER SPEAKER WHO CONFIRMED HIS STATEMENT TO THE INDICATIVE PLAN WAS CONGRESSMAN SASAUA HARUO. "MEANINGFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN IS THE KEY TO THE SUCCESS OF TRUK'S FUTURE ECONOMIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES," HE SAID. "THE FUTURE OF TRUK AND MICRONESIA DEPENDS UPON OUR UNDERSTANDING AND ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN."

HARUO, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMITTEE ON RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, ALSO URGED THE LEGISLATORS TO SUPPORT THE MICRONESIA DEVELOPMENT BANK, AND THE PROPOSED COCONUT DESIGNATED OIL PLANT WHICH WOULD BE ERECTED IN TRUK.

CONCLUDING, HARUO CALLS FOR A "JOINT EFFORT" AND "TOTAL COOPERATION" BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE LEGISLATURE SO IT COULD "RESULT IN REAL AND GREATER DEVELOPMENT OF TRUK AND MICRONESIA."

SPEAKER KOICHI SAWA OUTLINED THE MAJOR AREAS NEEDED TO BE CONSIDERED DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION. THEY ARE: RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS, THE INDICATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN, REAPPORTIONMENT, A RESOLUTION CONCERNING TRUK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE FORMATION OF A POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION.

MAYOR BOSSY CAUTIONED THE LAWMAKERS TO TAKE "EXTRA CAREFUL STEPS" IN THEIR EFFORT TO INCREASE THE INCOME OF THE LEGISLATURE. "LET US THINK WISELY, THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR ISLAND, LET US NOT BE TOO HASTY, AND LET US TAKE CAREFUL STEPS IN OUR EFFORT TO INCREASE OUR INCOME FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR DISTRICT."

(SAIPAN AIRPORT TO RECEIVE FAA AWARD)

SAIPAN, JULY 9 (MNS)---THE SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HAS BEEN SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION'S AIRPORT BEAUTIFICATION AWARD, R.O. ZIEGLER DIRECTOR FOR PACIFIC-ASIA REGION OF HONOLULU ANNOUNCED.

IN A LETTER TO ERWIN D. CANNAN, NORTHERN MARIANAS RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, ZIEGLER STATED THAT SAIPAN'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WAS SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE AWARD BECAUSE ITS "UNIQUE ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN REFLECTS THE PROUD HERITAGE OF THE PACIFIC..."

NORTHERN MARIANAS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID THAT THIS IS THE FIRST AIRPORT TO RECEIVE THE AWARD OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES.

ZIEGLER WILL ARRIVE ON SAIPAN TO MAKE THE AWARD PRESENTATION AT THE DEDICATION OF THE AIRPORT SCHEDULED TO BE HELD JULY 17TH.

ZIEGLER EXPLAINED THAT THE AIRPORT BEAUTIFICATION AWARD PROGRAM WHICH WAS STARTED IN 1968 WAS DESIGNED TO "GIVE RECOGNITION TO COMMUNITIES WHOSE AIRPORTS EXEMPLIFY IN THEIR DESIGN AESTHETIC AND CULTURAL VALUES."

(TT HEALTH PLANNING AGENCY FUNDED)

SAIPAN, JULY 9 (MNS)---TRUST TERRITORY DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES DR. MASAO KUMANGAI ANNOUNCES FRIDAY (JULY 9) THAT THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER HAS BEEN AWARDED \$173,400 BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE TO ORGANIZE A TERRITORIAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC LAW 93-367, THE "NATIONAL HEALTH PLANNING AND RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974."

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER HAS DESIGNATED THE TRUST TERRITORY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AS THE DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TOTAL ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE TERRITORIAL HEALTH PLANNING OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

THE GRANT AWARD ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE FORMATION OF A TERRITORIAL HEALTH PLANNING AND COORDINATING COUNCIL TO BE COMPOSED OF PROVIDERS AND CONSUMERS OF HEALTH CARE FROM ALL FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY AND FROM THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS. THE COUNCIL WILL REVIEW THE WORK OF THE AGENCY STAFF AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PLANS AND POLICIES OF THE AGENCY.

THE NEW HEALTH PLANNING AGENCY WILL ADDRESS ITSELF TO THE FOLLOWING GOALS FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY AND THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS:

---ATTEMPTING TO REDUCE OR CONTAIN COSTS OF PROVIDING HEALTH CARE;

---IMPROVING THE SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF HEALTH FACILITIES, SERVICES, AND MANPOWER IN THE HEALTH FIELD;

---PROVIDING MORE EFFECTIVE METHODS OF DELIVERING HEALTH CARE, AND;

---IMPROVING THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE AND AWARENESS REGARDING THE PROPER PERSONAL HEALTH CARE AND HOW TO MAKE MORE EFFECTIVE USE OF AVAILABLE HEALTH RESOURCES.

(CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAM RECEIVES GRANTS)

SAIPAN, JULY 9 (MNS)---A \$45,150 GRANT HAS BEEN AWARDED TO THE TRUST TERRITORY'S CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAM BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE'S GRANT, PROCUREMENT AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION IN WASHINGTON.

ACCORDING TO DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION DAVID RAYARUI THE FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR THE PLANNING OF AN OVERALL CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR EACH DISTRICT. HE SAID THAT THE PLANNING SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.

ABEL R. OLOPAI IS THE TRUST TERRITORY COORDINATOR FOR THE PROGRAM.

(SAIPAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ELECTS NEW OFFICERS)

SAIPAN, JULY 9 (MNS)---THE 26TH SAIPAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MET IN A SPECIAL SESSION THURSDAY NIGHT (JULY 8) AND ELECTED ITS NEW OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN, ALL BY ACCLAMATION.

THE NEW OFFICERS ARE: JOSE S. RIOS, SPEAKER; PLACIDO M. TAGABUEL, VICE-SPEAKER; DANIEL O. QUITUGUA, LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY; AND JUAN P. TENORIO, FLOOR LEADER.

ELECTED AS CHAIRMEN OF FIVE STANDING COMMITTEES ARE: ISIDRO A. SABLAN, APPROPRIATIONS; ROMAN S. PALACIOS, COUNCIL AND JUDICIARY; MANUEL A. TENORIO, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; ANTONIO L. TAISAKAN, WAYS AND MEANS; AND JOSE M. SABLAN, MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION.

IN ITS FIRST ACTION, THE COUNCIL ADOPTED A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ITS CONCERN OVER THE METHOD OF REPRESENTATION AT THE FORTHCOMING MARIANAS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

THE RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY COUNCILMAN PEDRO T. MAKATSUKASA, AND IN ESSENCE, IS SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER TO THE NORTHERN MARIANAS LEGISLATURE WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR A MORE DEMOCRATIC METHOD OF SELECTING DELEGATES, THAT IS, A COMBINATION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND AT-LARGE.

ERWIN D. CARNEY HAS TWICE DISAPPROVED THE CONCOM BILL PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE BECAUSE IT DOES NOT PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR MINORITY RIGHTS.

MAKATSUKASA'S RESOLUTION ALSO URGED THE NORTHERN MARIANAS LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROPOSAL MADE BY THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER."

OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL INCLUDE THE CONFIRMATION OF THE NEW SAIPAN MUNICIPAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD MEMBERS. THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE: PEDRO A. TENORIO, JESUS P. MAFNAS, BENIGNO R. FITIAL, VICTORINO S. CEPEDA, AND FELICIDAD T. OGORO.

(MICRONESIA DAY PROCLAMATION ISSUED)

SAIPAN, JULY 9 (MNS)---TRUST TERRITORY ACTING DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER JUAN A. SABLAN ISSUED A PROCLAMATION FRIDAY (JULY 9) TO DESIGNATE MONDAY, JULY 12, AS "MICRONESIA DAY" TO COMMEMORATE THE INAUGURATION OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA.

SABLAN ASKED MICRONESIAN CITIZENS AND NON-CITIZENS ALIKE TO OBSERVE THIS DAY THROUGHOUT THE TRUST TERRITORY AS A NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

THEREFORE, MONDAY, JULY 12, SHALL BE DECLARED A HOLIDAY FOR ALL PERSONS WITHIN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS. NON-ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES WILL BE SUSPENDED ON THAT DAY.

(NOTE TO EDITORS AND NEW DIRECTORS: BECAUSE MONDAY, JULY 12, IS A MICRONESIAN NATIONAL HOLIDAY, THERE WILL BE NO MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICES DISPATCH FOR THAT DATE. THE NEXT MNS DISPATCH WILL BE DATED JULY 13)