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PAGE 03 RUHGSAA8444 UNCLAS DEMONSTRATORS FROM HPHFN UH MUNICIPALITY, MARCHED IN FRONT OF THE PONAPE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING MONDAY (JULY 19) PROTESTING THE TERMINATION OF FORMER DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR LEO A. FALCAM.

FALCAM'S REMOVAL WAS ANNOUNCED BY TRUST TERRITORY ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN EARLIEQPTHIS MONTH.

THE DEMONSTRATION WAS ALMOST VIOLENT, LED BY AWAK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER MIGUEL PANUELO, THE DEMONSTRATORS ARRIVED PEACEFULLY JUST BEFORE NOON CARRYING PLACARDS, SIGNS, EMPTY CANS AND POSTERS URGING THAT FRED M. ZEDER, DXP EAWISKHOF THE O FFICE OF TE

RRITORIAL AFFAIRS AND COLEMAN TO "GO HOME." Zeder and coleman arrived on ponape Sunday (July 18).

"GO TO SAMOA COLEMAN," ONE SIGNED DEMANDED.HANOTHER ASKED: "WHY OUR DISTAD?" DECLARED ANMTHER: "ZEDER PLUS COLEMAN EQUALS DECEIT." "MICRONESIA FOR MICRONESIANS ONLY," REMINDED ANOTHER SIGN.

THE DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED THROUGH DOWNTOWN KOLONIA UNDN WENT STRAIGHT TO THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WHERE ZEDER AND COLEMAN WERE MEETING WITH PONAPE'S TRADITIONAL AND ELECTED LEADERS EXPLAINING THEIR REASON FOR FALCAMJS REMOVAL.

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PANUELO, LEADER OF THE GRVN, TOLD THE MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE THAT THEY "OPPOSED FALCAM'S TERMINATION" BECAUSE THERE WAS NO EXPLANATION AS TO ITS CAUSE. HIS GROUP NUMBE



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TVBZMOUT 105, HE SAID. "WE DON'T WANT HIM (COLEMAN) TO MISTREAT US," PANUELO SAID, ADDING THAT HE WANTS EITHER COLEMAN OR ZEDER TO COME OUT AND EXPLAIN TO HIS GROUP.

AFTER WAITING FOR NEARLY HALF AN HOUR FOR COLEMAN OR ZEDER TO APPEAR, ONE OF THE DEMONSTRATORS BLEW THE WHISTLE THREE TIMES AND SHOUTED "FIRE!"

AT THIS PMINT, THE WHOLE GROUP ARGED INTO THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ONLY TO BE HELD BACK BY POLICE BARRICADES. "THIS IS A PONAPEAN BUILDING AND WE WANT TO COME IN," SHOUTED ONE DEMONSTRATOR. JUST AS THE DEMON

MYZTION WAS ABOUT TO GET OUT

OF CONTROL, TT SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MANNY SABLAN ORDERED HIS MEN TO SPRAY MACE AT THE GROWD. THE GROUP DISPERSED, MANY OF THEM RUNNING IN ALL DIRECTIONS SHOUTING OBSCENITIES AT POLICE.

DEPUTY DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR BERMIN F. WEILBACHER THEN

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MET WITH PANUELO AND DISCUSSED THE SITUATION. PANUELO ASSUREDH HIM THAT THEY ONPY WANT "PEACEFUL" DEMONSTRATION TO GET THEIR MESSAGE ACROSS. AFTER THE GROUP MOVED ACROSS THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE ADMINISXYATION BUILDING AT THE URGING OF PANUELO, COLEMAN COME OUT ACCOMPANIED BY WEILBACHER AND SABLAN AND VIEWED THE SIGNS AT A DISTANCE. HE UMILED ANFSWAVED AT THEM. AFTER CONSULTING WITH ZEDER, COLEMAN, GUARDED BY POLICE, GOT INTO HIS GOVERNMENT VEHICLE AND WENT TO HIS RESIDENCE AT THE GOVERNMENT GUEST HOUSE. HE ARRIVED THERE SAFELY.

(COLEMAN EXPLAINS FALCAM'S REMOVAL)

KOLONIA, PONAPE JULY 19 (MNS)---ACTING TRUST TERRITORY HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN SAID ON PONAPE MONDAY (JULY 19) LHAT HE FELT A CHANGE "WAS NECESSARY" TO THE POSITION OF THE PONAPE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR. COLEMAN MET WITH THE MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE MONDAY AFTERNOON FOLLOWING A DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING THE REMOVAL OF PONWPE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR LEO A. FALCAM (SEE PRECEEDING STORY) TO EXPLAIN THE CAUSE OF FALCAM'S REMOVAL.

"ONE THING THAT WE NEED TO CLARIFY IS THAT THE OFFICE OF

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THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR IS A CONTINUING OFFICE AND WHOEVER Hol

S A POSITION OF DISTAD DOES NOT HOLD A PERMANENT POSITION," EXPLJINED COLEMAN, HE POINTED OUT THAT A POSITION IS USUALLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THAT IS IN EXISTENCE AT TIME. " THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION IS UNDER MY RESPONSIBILITY," HE DECLARED, FALCAM WAS APPOINTED TO HIS POSITION BY FORMER HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD E. JOHNSTON IN 1972. JOHNSTON RESIGNED HIS POSITION AND IS NOW THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC AREA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION (PATA) HEADQUARTERED IN SAN FRANCISCO.

COLEMAN SAID THAT HE REGRETTED THAT HE WAS AWAY WHEN THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE ABOUT FALCAM'S PENDING TERMINATPON. HE WAS ATTENDING THE UNITED NATIONY TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL HEARINGS IN NEW YORK AT THE TIME. ZEDER MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT AT THAT HEARING.

COLEMAN ADDED THAT JUST BEFORE HE LEFT SAIVAN ON JUNE 16 FOR NEW YORK, HE DISCUSSED THE MATTER WITH FALCAM AND INDICATED TO HIM THAT HE WOULD BE REPLACING HIM WITHIN 30 DAYS. FALCAM ASKED FOR AN EXTENSION OF HIS TENURE UNTIL DECEVBER BUT THAT

PAGE Ø7 RUHGSAA8444 UNCLAS WAS REJECTED BY COLEMAN.

"I VAN APPRECIATE THE FEELING OF THE PEOPLE OF NOT BEING ABLE TO GET A CLARIFICATION," COLEMAN SAID REFERRING TO THE CONFUSION ON FALCAM'S TERMINATION.

HE MET WITH THE TRADITIONAL AND ELECTED LEADERS OF PONAPE MONDAY MORNING AND CLARIFIED HIS "CONCEPT OF CHANGE."

ASKED ABOUT THE TRADITIONAL LEADERS REACTION TO HIS ANNOUNCEMENT, COLEMAN AID THAT AT FIRST THE LEADERS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT NOT KNOWING THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND WHY THERE SHOULD BE A CHANGE. BUT AFTER EXPLAINING THE SITUATION LEADING TO HIS ACTION, MOST OF THE LEADERS ARE NOW SUPPORTING HIS DECISION.

COLEMAN ALSO SAID THAT AT THE PRESENT ALL "KEY



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POSITONS" WITHIN THE TRUS TERRITORY GOVERNMENT ARE BEING ASSESSED AND THE EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCES OF THE INDIVIDUALS WILL DETERMINE WHETHER SOME CHANGES OR TRANSFERS SHOULD BE MADE.

ASKED WHETHER FALCAM COMMITTED ANY SERIOUS WRONGDOING WHICH WARRANTED HIS REMOVAL, COLEMAN REPLIED THAT HE FELT SOME OF FALCAM'S DECISIONS IN THE PAST WERE NOT "OF GOOD JUDGEMENT."

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CITING AS AN EXAMPLE, FALCAM ONCE CANCELLED A LEASE OF PUBLIC LAND SO HE COULD HOMESTEAD THE SAME PIECE OF PROPERTY TO BUILD HIS PRIVATE HOME ALTHOUGH THE HOMESTEAD WAS NOT APPROVED --- "THE FACT REMAINS THAT HE HAD MADE THAT DECISION AS A DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR FOR HIS OWN PRSONAL BENEFIT WHICH

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IS A MAJOR CONFLICT OF INTEREET IN HIS ADMINISTRATION." FALCAM IS ALSO NOT COOPERATIVE IN GETTING SOME PROGRAMS UNSTITUTED, ACCORDING TO COLEMAN. DIRECTORS AT THE TRUST TERRITORY HEADQUARTERS UN SAIPAN HAVE COMPLAINED ABOUT HIS LACK OF INTEREST IN CERTAIN PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS, HE SAID. "THERE WERE TIMES WHEN WE SENT PEUPLE TOLONAPANAND MR. FALCAM REFUSED TO SEE THEM," COLEMAN SAID. "SO I FELT THAT THIS IS A PATTERN OF BEHAVIOR WHICH SHOULD BE CHANGED."

ACCORDING TO THE ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER, FALCAM SAID THAT HE WAS REMOVED FROM HIS POSITION BECAUSE HE (CULEMAN) IS "JEALOUS OF HIM" AND COLEMAN IS A "THREAT TO HIS POSITION," COLEMAN DENIED THAT HE POSED A THREAT TO FALCAM'S POSITION BECAUSE THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS ARE WAUEJCIMFF9#3 HIGH COMMILLIONER AND THE HIGM COMMISSIONER IS APPOINTED BY THE SECRETA

Q OF THE INTERWORM ZI HAVE NOTHING PERSONAL Against Mr. Falcam. I wished him and tis family well," coleman said.

COLEMAN SAID HE WILL BE "VERY CAREFUL" IN GOING THROUGH THE NAMES OF HISICHOICE FOR THE NEXT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR.

PAGE 04 RUHGSAA8445 UNCLAS HE SAID HE WIWL CONSULT WITH THE ELECTED AND TRADITIONAL LEADERS OF PONAPE BEFORE MAKING A FINAL DECISION. CONCLUDING, COLEMAN SAID HE HOPED THAT THERE WILL BE A "CONTINUING HARMONY IN THE COMMUNITY."



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"SOME PEOPLE MAY BE CONCERN ABOUT THIS CHANGE," COLEMAN ADDED, "BUT I THINK WE SHOULD APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT CHANGES IS PART OF PROGRESS."

IN THE MEANTIME, BERMIN F. WEILBACHER HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS ACTING DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR FOR PONAPE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE EFFECTIVE JULY 19.

(ANGRY PONAPEANS WANT FALCAM BACK)

KOLONIA, PONAPE, JULY 19 (MNS) ---A GROUP OF PONAPEANS CALLING THEMSELVES "ANGRY PONAPEANS" HAVE SENT A "WARNING" LETTER TO ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T. COLEMAN REQUESTING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT FORMER DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR LEO A. FALCAM MUST REMAIN IN OFFICE UNTIL ALL REASONS BEHIND HIS REMOVAL ARE KNOWN.

THE GROUP HAS NOT IDENTIFIED ITS MEMBERS AT THE PRESENT. TIME.

THE MEMORANDUM, DATED JULY 12, STATED IN FULL:

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"AS A RESULT OF YOUR RECENT ROMOVAL OF LEO A, FALCAM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ADMINSTRATOR, FMWHHAVE ALLOWAD OPENING UP OF A NEW CHAPTER IN THE POLITICAL HISTORY OF PONAPE DISTRICT ---- A CHAPTER THAT WILL BE FILLED WITH HATRED, FEAR, FIGHTING AND KILLING. YOUR ACTION HAS MEANT A TRIUMPH ON THE PART OF CERTAIN GROUP OF PEOPLE, LED BY SENATOR AMBILOS IEHSI AND SPEAKER ITOR HARRIS, WHO HAVE HITHERTO BEEN WORKING HARD BEHING CLOSED-DOORS AND WHOSE AIMS, AS RZVEALED BY RELIABLE SOURCES, INCLUDE:

---EVENTUAL CONTROL OF ALL TOP POSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT BY PINGELAPESE

----REPLACEMENT OF LEO AT THE EARLIEST MOMENT POSSIBLE; ----EVENTUAL ERRADICATION OF TRADIONAL SYSTEM IN PONAPE; -----CONTROL OF THE SPEAKERSHIP (POSITION) BY ITOR HARRIS TO GUARANTEE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AIMS OF THIS ORGANIZATION;

---CAREFUL MANIPULATION OF THE ACTIONS OF THIS GROUP TO ASSURE ITS SURVIVAL;

----THE ORGANIZATION WILL REMAIN UNDERGROUND AND DOES ITS WORK FROM THERE UNTIL THE TIME WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATE

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HISTORY. "WE FURTHER WACN YOU THAT IF OUR WARNING IS REJECTED AS

"IN THE EVENT NONE OF THE ABOVE WISHES TO LEAVE HIS PRESENT PUSITION, WE CAN ACCEPT AN OUTSIDEY AT THIS SAD MOMNT OF OUR

WE CAN ACCEPT ONLY THESE PEOPLE AT THIS TIME AS OUR (NEXT) DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR: STRIK YOMA, TT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS; SENATOR BAILEY OLTER; SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA BETHWEL HENRY; COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA DIRECTOR DARO WEITAL; DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION PAUL GALLEN; OR DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES DR. ELUEL PRETRICK.

--- IF A FAIR ASSESSMENT REVEALS THAT LED MUST BE REMOVED,

DONE TO HIM BY A CERTAIN GROUP WITH DIRTY MINDS AND ENDF:

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AS OUR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR NOW, WHEN THE REMOVAL OF LEG

"WE, THEREFORE, WOULD LIKE TO WARN YOU, MR. COLEMAN, THAT WE ARE VERY SERIOUS AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE MAINTAINED PONAPEAN PATIENT AND CHRISTIAN UNDERSTANDING UP TO NOW WHILE THEY HAVE DONE ABSOLUTELY THE OPPOSITE, WE, NOW PUT BEFORE YOUSIN OUR TRADITIONAL PONAPEAN WAY THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS: ---LEO MUST REMAIN IN OFFICE UNTIL WE KNOW ALL THE REASONS BEHIND HIS REMOVAL BASED ON DEMOCTRATIC PRINCIPLE:

---WE WILL NOT ACCEAUGILWDELAPESE OR HALF PINGELAPESE

"NO WONDER SPEAKER HARRIS HAS WURKED SO HARD WITH HIS DIRTY MIND, HEART AND HAND ALL THESE YEARS AGAINST LEO TRYING EVERY POSSIBLE MEANS TO EXPLOIT AND DESTORY HIM TO GAIN HIS DIRTY AND UNCHRISTIAN ENDS.

"THESE ARE NOT ALL THE AIMS OF THIS GROUP BUT TIME AND SPACE PERMIT ONLY THOSE TO BE INCLUDED AT THIS TIME.

--- CONTROL OF THE TRUST TERRITORY PERSONNEL DIRECTORSHIP BY PODIS PEDRUS, A PINGELAPESE, AND PONAPE DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL BY ANOTHER PINGELAPESE TO GUARANTEE A SECCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF AIM NO. 1.

IT TO SURFACE AND COMPLETE AND CONTINUE ITS STATED OBJECTIVES;

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A BLUFF, YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN PLACED ON OUR ASSASSINATION LIST. THE FIRST AND SECOND ONE ARE ITOR HARRIS AND SENATOR AMBILOS IEHSN."

PONAPE POLICE OFFICIALS TOLD THE MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE THAT THEY ARE TAKING EVERY PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE TO INSURE THE SAFETY OF THE NAMED INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND TO MAKE

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WIOOTH HOUSES OF THE CONGRESS MET BRIEFLY IN THE PONAPE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE BUILDING AND ADOPTED A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF TERRITORIAL ADNAIRS FRED M. ZEDER, TU ADDRESS THE JUINT SESSION OF THE CONGRESS AT 1:00 P.M. ON JULY 20 IN THE HOUSE CHAMBER.

THE OPENING SESSION GOT UNDERWAY LATE IN THE AFTERNOON WITH SPEAKER BETHWEL HENRY AND ACTING PRESIDENT AMBILOS IEHSI PRESIDING OVER THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE RESPECTIVELY.

THIS HAS BEEN THE SECOND TIME THE CONGRESS MEETS IN A SPECIAL SESSION ON PONAPE. THE FIRST WAS IN THE SUMMER OF 1972.

BOTH HOUSES CHAMBERS ARE LUCATED IN THE RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED PONAPE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE BUILDING.

OFFICE SPACE FOR THE CONGRESS MEMBERS AND THEIR STAFF ARE PROVIDED FOR BY THE LEGISLATURE. THE OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH IS LOCATED IN THE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUILDING.

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AS THE SESSION GOT UNDERWAY, SOME CONGRESSMAN HAD NOT ARRIVED YET IN PONAPE. ALL MEMBERS OF THE PALAUDELEGATION, MARSHALLS CONGESSMAN ATAJI BALOS, AND SENATE PRESIDENT TOSIWO NAKAYAMA AND REPRESENTATIVE RAYMOND SETIK WERE NOT



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PRESENZ IN THE OPENING DAY. ALL AJESEXDECTED TO ARRIVE IN PONAPE LATER IN THE WEEK.

THE PRESENT SPECIAL SESSION REPRESENTS THE FIRST TIME IN THE 11-YEAR HISORY OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA THAT THE MARIANAS DISTRICT HAS NOT ATTENDED. THE NORTHERN MARIANAS CHOSE TO BECOME A COMMONWEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES IN JUNE 1975.

SPEAKER BETHWEL HENRY, IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE, SET THE TUNE AND GOALS FOR THE FIFTEEN-DAY SESSION. (SEE FULLOWING STORY FUR DETAILED COVERAGE OF HIS SPEECH).

ACTING PRESIDENT IEHSI WELCOMED HIS FELLOW SENATORS TO PONAPE AND WISHED THEIR STAY HERE TO BE "FRUITFUL AND PLEASANT."

BOTH THE SENATE AND VWLE WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.

TUFSDAY, JULY 20. (HENRY ADDRESSES SPECIAL SESSION)

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KOLONIA, PONAPE, JULY 19 (COM) --- THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SIXTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA CONVENED ON PONAPE MONDAY (JULY 19).

SENATE FLOOR LEADER AMBILOS TEHSI, PRESIDING ON BEHALF OF SENATE PRESIDENT TOSIWU NAKAYAMA, AND HOUSE SPEAKER BETHWEL HENRY WELCOMED THE VISITING CONGRESSMEN TO PONAPE DISTRICT.

IN AN ADDRESS TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, SPEAKER HENRY SAID "IT WILL BE A DIFFICULT SESSION" IN SO FAR AS SOME VERY COMPLEX ISSUES WITH LONG-RANGE EFFECTS MUST BE CONSIDERED.

PRIMARY CONSIDERATION, SAID SPEAKER HENRY, SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE INDICATIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MICRUNESIA WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS "ONE OF THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT MATTERS TO CONSIDER" DURING THE SESSION.

"ONCE FINALIZED AND APPROVED, THIS PLAN WILL SERVE AS A BASIS FOR A DETAILED AND COMPREHENDBT PLAN, BASED ON EACH DISTRICT'S PRIORITIES AND RESOURCES." HENRY SAID THE GENERAL THRUST OF THE PLAN WILL BE TO "DECREASE DEPENDENCE ON DUTSIDE FINANCIAL AID, AND TO INCREASE REVENUES WITHIN



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MICRONESIA IN ORDER TO SUPPORT OUR FUTURE GOVERNMENT."

SPEAKER HENRY SAID DURING THE REGULAR JANUARY SESSION OF THE CONGRESS, MANY IMPORTANT ISSUES WERE CONSIDERED SUCH AS FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS, UNITY, A NEW PERMANENT CAPITAL, LAW OF THE SEA, THE CONSTITUTION, IN ADDITION TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

ZL HENRY POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT MANY KEY DECISIONS REGARDING THESE ISSUES HAD TO AWAIT ACTION UR DECISIONS BY THE TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTRATION. THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, BEFORE THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA COULD TAKE DECISIVE ACTION.

SINCE THEN, HE SAID AN INDICATIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN HAS BEEN FORMULATED IN A WORKSHOP HELD IN TRUST DISTRICT, THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT AND TT ADMINISTRATION HAS PRODUCED A REPORT ON DECENTRALIZATION, AND A POSITION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA FORMULATED AND PRESENTED.

IN VIEW OF THESE IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS, SPEAKER HENRY SAID THE SESSION "PROMISES TO BE AN EXCITING ONE IN WHICH WE FACE MANY DIFFICULT DECISIONS."

UTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES WHICH HENRY SAID WILL HAVE LONG-RANGE

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"THIS CONGRESS MUST DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE IN URDER TO ACTIVELY SUPPORT AND POSTER THE CONCEPT OF UNITY, BOTH IN THEORY AND PRACTICE," HENRY STATED.

WITH THE ADMINSTRATIVE SEPARATION OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS NOW IN EFFECT, SPEAKER HENRY SAID THE LOCATION OF OHE NEW CAPITAL OF MICRONESIA IS ANOTHER ISSUE WHICH DESERVES "AFFIRMATIVE ACTION."

"THIS, OF COURSE, WILL BE ANOTHER DIFFICULT DECISION FOR VARIOUS REASONS, BUT IN ORDER TO SAVE COSTS AND TO PROVIDE AN ORDERLY TRANSITION IN THE FUTURE, THE CHOICE MUST BE MADE NOW, RATTHER THAN LATER," HENRY SAID.



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CONCERNING THE ISSUE OF DECENTRALIZATION, HENRY SAID THE CONGRESS FIRST RECOMMENDED INCREASED DECENTRALIZATION AS FAR BACK AS 1969. HE ALSO NOTED THAT AT THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED 43RD SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, IT WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE SPECIAL ADVISOR FROM THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA THAT: FIRST, THAT THE PROGRAM BE INITIATED, APPROVED,

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