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REFERRAL OF DELEGATE PROPOSAL
NUMBER 21 TO THE COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS

Delegate proposal number 21 proposes a draft constitutional provision that:

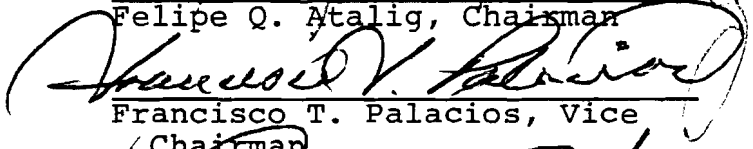
"Places Agiguan Island (Goat Island) under the jurisdiction of the Municipality of Tinian."


Although the Convention referred this proposal to the Committee on Personal Rights and Natural Resources, this Committee believes that the proposal falls within the matters assigned to the Committee on Governmental Institutions. The proposal deals basically with how the votes of people who move to Agiguan Island in the future should be counted. This is an important matter that deals with the structure of political units within the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and therefore belongs to the Committee on Governmental Institutions. The use of the public lands on Agiguan Island and the natural resources thereon are already covered by the Committee on Personal Rights and Natural Resources recommendations numbered 5 and 7.

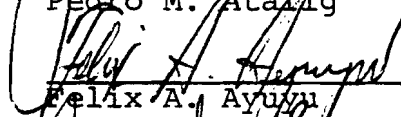
For these reasons this Committee recommends that delegate proposal number 21 be referred to the Committee on Governmental Institutions.

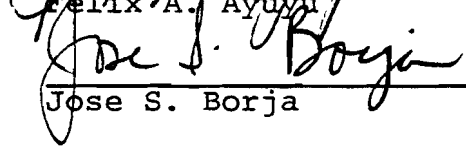
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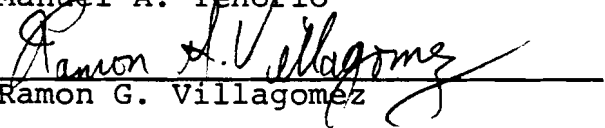

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