

COP REPORT  
PLENARY SESSION 7/15

COP has a very short report this morning.

The Committee on Land and Personal Rights still needs to report out Article 12 on land alienation.

The Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices still needs to report out Article 18 on constitutional amendment.

The Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government still needs to report out Article 6 on local government and Article 19 on the code of ethics.

The Committee on Legislative Branch still needs to report out Article 10 on taxation and the Schedule on Transitional Matters.

COP urges the committees to get these reports to the floor on Tuesday and Thursday of next week. We need to finish first readings on Thursday if we are to stay on schedule to finish on August 4.

COP will publish a first reading Constitution on Monday which will contain all the language that we have passed on first reading to date, so you can have an overview. We hope to be able to publish a completed constitution on first reading by the end of our session on Thursday. This draft that we will put out on Monday is just for the delegates. We will need to discuss next week whether we put out an official draft for the public. Once we get the first reading draft put together, you will have an easy way of marking the sections you are concerned about without having to carry around all the papers that we have generated. The legal staff is also putting together a draft legislative history that will contain material adapted from the committee reports thus far. If you need additions to the legislative history, you can use that document to keep track of them.

Finally, I want to note that the Social Subcommittee of COP will report out a picnic tomorrow morning. Everyone should gather at 8:30.

Thank you.

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- speaking in the Chamorro & Carolinian  
- 15 minutes  
- need to summarize <sup>in English</sup> what  
are said in ~~the~~ the local  
vernacular.