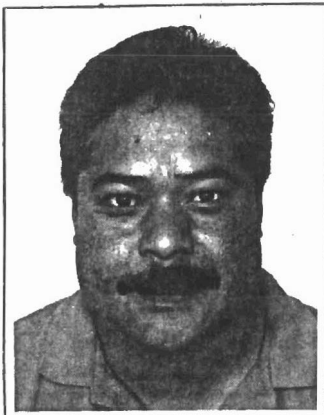


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**Mission accomplished.** Delegates to the Third Constitutional Convention gather for one final session yesterday ending a sixty-day working period for amendments to the CNMI Constitution. All but three of the 27 ConCon members signed the proposed draft of the new Constitution which will be put up for ratification by the voters.

# 'Demapan proposal insulting'

## *Carolinian judge plan irks Nogis*



Felix R. Nogis

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SENATE President Juan S. Demapan's proposal for a Carolinian judge does not sit well with a representative of the Carolinian community.

Constitutional Convention Delegate Felix R. Nogis in an interview said he is not thrilled by Demapan's plan to mandate a Carolinian judge.

"I think it is very insulting to the Carolinian community to have

such a proposal. The timing is suspicious, given the fact that he (Demapan) is up for reelection," said Nogis.

Nogis believes the motive behind the proposal is to get the Carolinian vote in the November senatorial elections.

Demapan intends to seek reelection.

Demapan earlier this week said he plans to introduce legislation mandating that at least one seat in

either the Superior or Supreme Court bench go to an individual of Carolinian descent.

"Carolinians represent more than one-fourth of the local indigenous population and should be represented in all branches of the CNMI government," said Demapan in a news release circulated last Monday.

"The CNMI judiciary should speak the language and clearly understand the customs of the

Carolinian community," he said.

Nogis said, "As far as I am concerned, I take it as an insult considering the fact that there is no Carolinian lawyer at the present time.

He added, "If he intends to do something worthwhile, maybe he should pass a law providing funding for Carolinian scholarships. That is if he really meant to help Carolinians.

Demapan, a freshman senator from Saipan, plans to run again for another four-year term under the Republican Party banner.