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Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Saipan, Mariana Islands.
March 18, 1963 -- A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MICRONESIA WILL BE CONVENED TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1963, AT SAIPAN. The twelve-member body is composed of elected delegates from six administrative districts of the Trust Territory. The body represents the 80,980 people of the Trust Territory and serves in an advisory capacity to the High Commissioner.

Delegates to the Special Session are: Marshalls - Dwight Heine, chairman, and Amata Kabua; Ponape - Joab Sigrah and Heinrich Iriarte; Truk - Tosiwo Nakayama and Mitaro Danis; Palau - Roman Tmetuchl and David Ramarui; Yap - Joseph Tamag and Belarmino Hathey; Marianas - Vicente Santos and Melchior Mendiola.

The Special Session has been called to plan for the creation of a true legislative body on a territorial level. In its six day session, the Council of Micronesia will submit recommendations to High Commissioner M. W. Goding for his use in planning the proposed Territorial Legislature. Such legislature would bring together representatives of all people in the Territory and would be an important step in the area of political advancement of the Trust Territory.

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