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## TERRITORY LANGUAGE SPECIALISTS AWARDED TOP-LEVEL US TRAINING

SAIPAN, M.I. (May 24)...Two English language teachers of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands education staff have been awarded top-level training at United States universities according to an announcement made in Saipan today.

Both awards involve training in teaching English as a foreign language.

Mr. Percy Baugess of the Marshalls will attend the University of Michigan while Mr. Jan Prins of the Marianas will attend Columbia University!

The two English language teaching specialists are scheduled to leave their respective Districts late this month to begin travel to the Universities.

The education program at both Universities includes instruction in the philosophy and methodology of the linguistic approach to teaching English as a foreigh language.

Education Department officials in Saipan said the value of such training for United States contract teachers in the Trust Territory is evident since English was established as the language of instruction just over three years ago.

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Officials added that the training gained by such English language instructors will be passed on to Micronesian teachers already in class work throughout the Territory.

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