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CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA
SPECIAL CONSULTANT SELECTED

SAIPAN, M.I. (May ²⁷~~21~~)...High Commissioner Goding announced today the appointment of Professor Robert B. Robbins as Legislative Counsel and Consultant to the first session of the Congress of Micronesia. The Congress will sit in its' first session July 12, 1965.

Dr. Robbins is Chairman of the Department of Government and Professor of Government, Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts.

In announcing the appointment High Commissioner Goding said Dr. Robbins is well known to members of the United Nations Trusteeship Council as he served as alternate U.S. Representative to the Trusteeship Council in 1954, was a member of the U. S. Delegation to the United Nations General Assemblies in 1949, and from 1953 to 1955.

Mr. Goding added that Dr. Robbins has also served as a member of the United Nations Trusteeship Council Visiting Mission to Togoland in 1955.

Dr. Robbins' field of speciality is the development of dependent territories toward self-government. After the first session of the Congress in July he will remain in the Trust

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Territory for six months serving as Consultant to the Congress and Advisor on political development.

Professor Robbins received his A.B. from Ohio State University in 1932, his M.A. in 1934 and Ph.D. in 1941. In 1940 he received an M.A. degree from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and in 1943 an M.A. from Columbia University. Between 1946 and 1956 Dr. Robbins rose from Officer to Deputy Director of the Office of Dependent Affairs, Department of State.

It is expected that the 56-year-old Legislative Counsel will arrive in Saipan June 14 to begin his work in the Trust Territory. It is planned that Professor Robbins will take an active part in the legislative workshop planned for the newly elected members of the Congress of Micronesia before the First Session formally opens July 12.

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