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WSZA YAP COMPLETES TT'S BROADCAST NETWORK

SAIPAN, M.I. (June 9)...The Trust Territory Administration's goal in establishing an AM radio broadcast station in each of the six administrative districts was accomplished today with the official opening of Yap Broadcast Station at 8:30 a.m. this morning, according to an announcement by Trust Territory Headquarters on Saipan.

The last of the sixth series of AM broadcast station in the Territory to go on the air, the 1000-watt Yap Radio Broadcast Station has been assigned the call letters of WSZA and will be broadcasting on an assigned frequency of 1480 kilocycles, according to Director of Communications John Welch.

The official opening ceremonies of WSZA Yap featured an invocation by Father Rozel and speeches by District Administrator Maynard Neas, Yap Islands Council President Andrew Roboman, and Yap Islands Congress President Joachim Falmog. The benediction was given by Pastor Kalau. Members of both the Yap Islands Council and Congress were among the special guests of the Administration during the opening ceremonies.

According to District Administrator Neas, WSZA will operate between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays; from 7:30 a.m. through 9:00 p.m. on Saturdays, and from 9:30 a.m. through 7:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Neas said Antonious Yug, who completed a three-month special broadcast training course at the East West Center last summer, has been appointed Station Manager. He will be assisted by two announcers.

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Station Manager Yug said in its beginning stages WSZA will feature mostly news times, weather reports, announcements, and musical entertainment, gradually working in special programs in elementary, secondary, and adult education, as well as story times for the youngsters. District Administrator Neas also added that provision has been made within the programming framework for the later inclusion of programs from the public health department, agriculture and other activities.

The physical plant of the Yap Radio Broadcast Station was constructed under Administration's funds. The Yap Islands Congress allocated \$7,500 for the purchase of necessary station equipment.

According to Mr. Welch, WSZA can be heard far north of Yap as Guam and throughout the entire Yap District.

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