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MAILLO ACCEPTS HEINE'S RESIGNATION AS SPEAKER;
ASSUMES SPEAKERSHIP OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SAIPAN, M. I. (NOV 2)...Vice Speaker of Congress of Micronesia's General Assembly Petrus Maillo of Truk has announced that he has regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. Dwight Heine of the Marshalls as the Speaker of the Assembly.

Heine submitted his resignation when he assumed the post of District Administrator for the Marshalls District on October 15. In his letter of resignation, Heine said "...as my last act as Speaker of the General Assembly I submit immediately to you my resignation as a member of the Congress of Micronesia and request that you assume the duties as Acting Speaker. I rejoice that my duties as Speaker are transferred to such wise and capable hands. I am sure that you will be recipient of the same loyalty, cooperation and respect from all members of the General Assembly which I received in full measure during my tenure as Speaker."

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In a letter accepting Heine's resignation from the Congress, Acting Speaker Mailo said: "I am sure that all members of the Congress share the regret I feel over the loss of the services of our highly respected Speaker despite the pride we all feel over his appointment to the high administrative post of District Administrator. As he continues his career of service to Micronesia, he and his family have our best wishes and gratitude."

Mailo pledged himself to carry out the duties of the Speaker "to the full extent of my abilities."

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