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NUUAN NAMED MICRONESIAN ADVISOR TO U.S. DELEGATION
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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, June 14 . . . The Honorable Francis Nuuan of Yap has been approved by the Department of State as Micronesian Advisor to the U.S. Delegation for the forthcoming session of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, Acting High Commissioner William R. Norwood announced today. Mr. Norwood was advised of the selection by the Office of Territories, Department of Interior.

Nuuan is scheduled to depart Yap on June 17 for Guam, where he will meet the High Commissioner and then accompany him on June 19 to New York via Honolulu and Washington D.C. Review of conditions in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Island has been scheduled by the Trusteeship Council to begin June 27.

A member of the House of Delegates, Congress of Micronesia, Francis Nuuan is one of the outstanding younger political leaders in his district. Born in 1936 in Af Villge in Tomil Municipality, Nuuan attended primary school in Yap after the war. In 1953 he enrolled at PICS in Truk, then the only public high school in the Territory, and graduated in 1955. After serving for a year as Principal of Gaanelay Elementary School in Yap, he went to Hawaii in 1956 where

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he spent the next three and half years studying at the University of Hawaii. On his return to Yap, he served as Supervisor of Teacher Education from 1959 to 1964. He transferred in 1964 to the Yap District Administrator's staff as Political Affairs Advisor and was appointed Treasurer for the Yap Islands Congress later in the year.

Prior to his election in January 1965 to the Congress of Micronesia, Mr. Nuuan had served in 1961 as interpreter for the Yap Delegation to the Inter-District Advisory Council. In 1963 he was elected as one of Yap's members in the Council of Micronesia, the forerunner of the present territorial congress.

In addition to his political career, Mr. Nuuan is active in local social and economic life. He is a member of the Yap District Board of Education, the Board of Directors of the Government Employees' Credit Union in Yap, a member of the Yapese Employees Club, and a member of the Young Men's Association. In 1964 he served as Micronesian member of the Headquarters Copra Stabilization Board. Currently, he is President of Yap Community Club and President of the Yap Cooperative Association.

He is expected to return to the Trust Territory in early July before the Second Regular Session of the Congress of Micronesia.

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