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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, O Sept. 1 . . . A group term life insurance plan exactly matching the one available to federal employees has been negotiated by the Trust Territory Government with the National Fidelity Life Insurance Company representatives on Guam. This insurance will be available to all full-time employees under the Micronesian Title and Pay Plan and all contract employees.

Under the terms of the contract the two programs, one for Micronesians, one for contract employees, require 75 percent participation of eligible employees in each group to enroll or else the insurance will not be made available to the group. A campaign to enroll all eligible employees becan today.

The insurance offers \$1,000 of double indemnity life insurance for every \$1,000 or fraction thereof of annual income. Persons with are less than \$1,000 income per year/eligible for \$1,000 worth of coverage.

The cost to each employee will be 25 cents per pay period for every \$1,000 of coverage. The Government will contribute an additional 12¹/₂ cents per pay period for every \$1,000 of coverage.

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Accident insurance is also provided under this program in certain cases. ### PIO/2148 0

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