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## SALAS ISSUES REPORT ON PHILIPPINES COURT SYSTEM

Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Oct. 27 . . . Felipe A. Salas, Clerk of Courts of the Marianas District, who recently completed a 6-month United Nations Fellowship in the Philippines, has made a report on the court system there as part of the requirements of the Fellowship. Mr. Salas was the first Clerk of Courts from Saipan to receive a U. N. Fellowship.

Mr. Salas concluded from his study that "the procedure in the Courts of the Philippines, especially with respect to civil procedure is similar to that of the United States, some of the provisions of the Rules of Court of the Philippines relating to civil procedure having been patterned after the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure of the United States. However, the jury system has not, as yet, been introduced in the judicial system of the Philippines."

Mr. Salas' training took place in the Office of the Clerk of Court of the First Instance of Manila, who commended him for his interest in the training program.

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