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### TWO MICRONESIANS WILL TRAIN IN TAIWAN

Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Feb. 2 . . . Two junior agriculture extension agents from Ponape have departed the Territory to study rice culture in Taiwan. Siro Lohrens and Benjamin Joel Isac will participate in a six-month training program jointly sponsored by the Trust Territory and the Institute for Technical Interchange, East-West Center.

Truk

Ponape

Dr. Y. Baron Goto, East-West Center Vice Chancellor, and the Trust Territory Department of Agriculture coordinated the program through the Agency for International Development and the Joint Commission for Rural Reconstruction, a Taiwan Government development agency.

Marshalls

Initially the training program for the two Micronesians will include an orientation on the agriculture production system, farm organization, agriculture and land classification and land tenure system of that island.

Yap

Messrs. Lohrens and Isac will be stationed with rice growers in Southern Taiwan. They will work with these farmers in all phases of rice culture from land preparation, planting to harvest and processing.

Palau

Upon their return, they will be employed with the Trust Territory experimental rice project in Ponape.

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