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COMMUNICATION FROM THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA CONCERNING THE TRUST  
TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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Congress of Micronesia

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SEVENTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA  
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 1978

30 October 1978

The President  
Trusteeship Council  
United Nations  
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of House joint resolution No. 7-144,  
which was adopted by the Seventh Congress of Micronesia, second special session,  
1978.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Tadao P. SIGRAH  
Clerk  
House of Representatives

Encl.

SEVENTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 1978

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 7-144

A HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

Accepting and confirming the results of the referendum on the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia. 1/

WHEREAS, section 8 of Public Law No. 5-60 authorized a referendum on the constitution drafted by the Micronesian Constitutional Convention of 1975; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 11 of the aforementioned public law, a referendum was held on 12 July 1978; and

WHEREAS, the results of said referendum were certified by the Election Commissioner in each of the administrative districts of the Trust Territory to the High Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the High Commissioner has transmitted such certifications to the presiding officers of the Congress of Micronesia, all in accordance with the requirements of the controlling public law; and

WHEREAS, the report of the High Commissioner states the results in the six districts as follows:

|           | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Marshalls | 3,888      | 6,217     |
| Palau     | 2,720      | 3,339     |
| Ponape    | 5,970      | 2,020     |
| Truk      | 9,762      | 4,239     |
| Yap       | 3,359      | 186       |
| Kosrae    | 1,118      | 704; and  |

WHEREAS, House joint resolution No. 7-134 2/ created the Special Joint Committee on Referendum Review to examine the results of the referendum on the constitution and to make recommendations to each house of the Congress; and

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1/ For the text of the draft constitution, see document T/COM.10/L.174, annex I.

2/ See T/COM.10/L.236.

WHEREAS, the Special Joint Committee on Referendum Review has completed its task of reviewing the referendum results and submitted its findings and conclusions to the Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of Micronesia is satisfied that the referendum was conducted in accordance with applicable law; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Seventh Congress of Micronesia, second special session, 1978, the Senate concurring, that the results of the referendum from the six districts are hereby accepted and confirmed by the Congress of Micronesia as the final expression of the will of the people with respect to the ratification of that document; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this House joint resolution be transmitted to the President of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, the President of the United States of America, the Secretary of the United States Department of Interior, the Director of the Office of Territorial Affairs, the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the district administrator of each administrative district, and the presiding officers of each district legislative body.

Adopted: 26 October 1978

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