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FIRST TRUK LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TRUK

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

RESOLUTION NO.: 1-151

## A RESOLUTION

Protesting plans of the Japanese Government to dump radioactive wastes in the north-east Pacific Ocean.

WHEREAS, the Japanese Government plans to dump radioactive wastes in the Pacific Ocean, north-east of the Northern Mariana Islands; and

WHEREAS, the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands has lodged a strong protest with the Government of Japan on the proposed dumping of radioactive wastes; 1/ and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia in June 1979, strongly objected to the Pacific Basin being used for the storage or disposal of nuclear wastes; 2/ and

WHEREAS, the South Pacific Forum in July 1979 officially objected to the Pacific Ocean area being used as a nuclear dump site; and

<sup>1/</sup> See T/COM.10/L.283.

<sup>2/</sup> See T/COM.10/L.266.

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WHEREAS, in December 1979, island governments throughout the north Pacific testifying before the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives objected to the north Pacific being used as a nuclear dump site; and

WHEREAS, in March 1980, the Palau legislature protested the plans of the Japanese Government to dump radioactive wastes in the Pacific Ocean; 3/ and

WHEREAS, in March 1980, the Government of American Samoa protested possible dumping of nuclear wastes in the Pacific Ocean by the Government of Japan; and

WHEREAS, in April 1980, the Yap State Legislature protested the plans of the Japanese Government to dump radioactive wastes in the north-west Pacific Ocean; 4/ and

WHEREAS, the plans of the Government of Japan to dump radioactive wastes north-west of the Northern Mariana Islands demonstrates a callous disregard for the health, safety and welfare of the people and ecology of the north-west Pacific; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the First Legislature of Truk State, third regular session, first special session, 1980, that this Legislature protests plans of the Japanese Government to dump radioactive wastes in the north-west Pacific Ocean; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, the Ambassador to Japan of the United States of America, the Prime Minister of Japan, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of the Hawaii State Legislature, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of the Legislature of American Samoa, the Governor of Guam and the Speaker of the Guam Legislature, the Governor of the Northern Marianas and the presiding officers of the Northern Marianas Legislature, the President of the Marshalls, the President of Nauru, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speaker of the Palau

<sup>3/</sup> See T/COM.10/L.282.

<sup>4/</sup> See T/COM.10/L.285.

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Legislature, the Governor of Yap, the Speaker of the Yap State Legislature, the Governor of the State of Ponape and the Speaker of the Ponape State Legislature, the Head of State of Papua New Guinea, and the Head of State of New Zealand.

14 October 1980

(Signed)

Tadashi C. WAINIT

Speaker

Truk Legislature

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