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PETITION FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES, AGANA, GUAM, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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Association of Pacific Island Legislatures P.O. Box V Agana, Guam 96910

17 March 1988

The President United Nations Trusteeship Council New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a copy of resolutions nos. GA-6-15 and SC-6-10, duly and regularly adopted by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

We welcome any response or comments you deem proper.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Herminia D. DIERKING
Senator and APIL Secretary

Enclosures (2)

Enclosure 1



ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES

RESOLUTION NO. GA-6-15

Territory of Guam

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Republic of Palau

Republic of the Marshalls

American Samoa

Federated States of Micronesia

State of Kosrae

State of Ponage

State of Truk

State of Yap

A Resolution

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO PAY THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT THAT HAVE NOT BEEN MET AS OF THE END OF THE TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES:

WHEREAS, the United States Government is responsible for all of the the valid financial obligations of the Trust Territory Government from its inception to its termination; and

WHEREAS, there are outstanding valid financial obligations at the termination of the Trust Territory Government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Association of Pacific Island
Legislatures requests that the unpaid valid obligations
of the Trust Territory Government which remain unpaid at
the termination of the Trust Territory Government be paid
promptly by the United States Government; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the President certify to and the Secretary attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the United Nations Trusteeship Council, the U.S. Department of State, the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Chief Executives of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Belau.

RESOLUTION NO. GA-6-15

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES.

Adopted: May 28, 1987

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SANTOS OLIKONG President, APTL Herminia D. Dierking Secretary, APIL

Enclosure 2



ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES

RESOLUTION NO. SC-6-10

Territory of Guam

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Republic of the Marshalls
American Samoa

Republic of Palau Federated States of Micronesia

State of Kosrae

State of Ponape

State of Truk

State of Yap

A Resolution

RELATIVE TO REQUESTING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO RECOGNIZE FUNDING SHORTFALLS FOR EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THE COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION, AND THE IMPACT OF IMMIGRATION FROM THE FREELY ASSOCIATED ENTITIES, TO THE TERRITORY OF GUAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGISLATURES:

WHEREAS, the Joint Communique of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures and the Pacific Postsecondary Education Council Summit meeting held in Guam, June 1986 noted that "all members agreed that given the wealth and power of the United States government, to which all the entities of Micronesia have contributed through their extension of military access rights, and the importance which that country has placed on education, that sufficient monies to provide for the education of this and future generations of Micronesians will help to increase stability and democracy in the region"; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Communique also recognized that"....the actions of the present Administration of the United States in not prioritizing and requesting from the Congress of the United States federal funding for health, welfare and education programs is inconsistent with the representation of availability of such funds"; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Communique noted that there was a "deepening concern over the region's educational future"; and

WHEREAS, it was generally agreed that monies provided under the Compact of Free Association for education and health services fare not sufficient to meet the needs of freely associated entities; and

WHEREAS, sufficient monies to carry out minimum educational and health services of the Compact entities should be provided to the respective Micronesian government in need of said funding; and WHEREAS, Section 224 of Public Law 99-239 provided "The Government of the United States and the Government of the Marshall Islands or the Federated States of Micronesia may agree from time to time to the extention of additional United States grant assistance, services and programs as provided by the Laws of the United States, to the Marshall Islands or the Federated States of Micronesia, respectively"; and

WHEREAS, citizens of the freely associated states are free to immigrate to Guam and thus have consequently created a funding impact which the Compacts acknowledge to be financial responsibilities that should be borne by the United States government; and

WHEREAS, the people of Guam have absorbed considerable costs in funding educational and health services incurred by the immigration of fellow Micronesians from the Caroline Islands and the Marshall Islands to Guam; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government - as noted in U.S. Public Law 96-374 - has recognized that they have ultimate responsibility for providing the funding of these services which the people of Guam have immediately incurred; and

WHEREAS, Section 104(e) (6) of Public Law 99-239 provided for the extension of aid to Guam for absorbing the costs of educational and social services which were incurred as a result of immigration from the Compact entities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby requests that the Government of the United States entertain in earnest the needs of the respective Compact entities with respect to funding educational and health services; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby requests the Government of the United States to review in earnest the impact costs which the people of Guam have and will continue to incur in providing for educational and health service costs related to the immigration of citizens of the Compact entities, and as authorized by U.S. Public Law 99-239 and Section 104(e)(6); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the President certify to and the Secretary attest adoption hereof and copies of the same be transmitted to the President of the United States of America; to the U.S. Ambassador to Micronesia; to the Assistant Undersecretary of the U.S. Department of Interior,

Office of International and Territorial Affairs; to the Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations; to the Chairman, U.S. House Committee on Appropriations; to the Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relation; to the Chairman, U.S. House Committee on Foreign Affairs; to the Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; to the Chairman, U.S. House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; to the Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources; to the Chairman, U.S. House Committee on Education and Labor; to the Chairman, U.S. House Subcommittee on International and Insular Affairs: to the Chief Executives of the several states of the Federated States of Micronesia; to the Foreign Minister, Republic of the Marshall Islands; to the Executive Officers of the governing bodies of the various educational entities of the several states of the Federated States of Micronesia; to the Minister of Education, Republic of Marshall Islands; to the Executive Officers of the various governing bodies of health facilities in the several states of the Federated States of Micronesia; to the Minister of Health, Republic of the Marshall Islands; to the President, Republic of Belau; to the Secretary-General, United Nations; and to the Chairman, Trusteeship Council, United Nations. DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC ISLAND LEGIS-LATURES.

Adopted: May 28, 1987

ATTEST:

SANTOS OLIKONG

President, APIL

HERMINIA D. DIERKING Secretary, APIL