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

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Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
Kolonia, Ponape, Eastern Caroline Islands 96941

7 July 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Congressional resolution
No. 3-30, C.D.1, which was adopted by the Third Congress of the Federated States of
Micronesia, first regular session, 1983.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Sintaro K. EZRA
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosure

THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 1983

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 3-30, C.D.1

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the United States Department of the Interior and the United States Congress to increase the funding of the Trust Territory Archives Project so that the microfilming of all official records of the Trust Territory Government can quickly be completed and complete sets of these microfilmed records be given to the national and state governments in the Federated States of Micronesia.

WHEREAS, for more than 30 years the Trust Territory Government has had full responsibility for the management of public affairs in Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, in carrying out these duties, the Trust Territory Government has left a permanent written record of its policies and activities; and

WHEREAS, the Trust Territory Government has also been the custodian of the official records of previous administrators of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, collectively these records constitute the most complete documentation of the economic, political and cultural development of Micronesia over the last 100 years; and

WHEREAS, the Trust Territory Archives Project is now in the process of microfilming all official records in the custody of the Trust Territory Government; and

WHEREAS, at the present rate of microfilming it will take more than 10 years to complete the duplication of all known official records; and

WHEREAS, the Trust Territory Archives Project has in the last two years been continually threatened with defunding as part of the phase out of the Trust Territory Government; and

WHEREAS, if the microfilming is not completed, Micronesians of present and future generations will be denied an irreplaceable historical and cultural treasure that is rightfully theirs; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the United States under the United Nations Trusteeship Agreement 1/ to complete the microfilming of these records and to make them available to the national and state governments of the Federated States of Micronesia; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, first regular session, 1983, that the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia requests the United States Congress to provide sufficient funds to the

Trust Territory Government for the Trust Territory Archives Project to complete the microfilming of all known official records no later than 1 January 1986; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that complete sets of these microfilmed records be given to the national and state governments of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States; the President of the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations; the Secretary of the Interior of the United States; United States Senators James A. McClure, Robert C. Byrd, Daniel K. Inouye, and Spark M. Matsunaga; United States Representatives John F. Seiberling, Antonio Borja, Won Pat and Don Young; the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; the Director of the Trust Territory Archives Project, Sam McPhetres; and the President of the Federated States of Micronesia.

ADOPTED: 7 June 1983

(Signed) Bethwel HENRY,
Speaker

ATTESTED:

(Signed) Sintaro K. EZRA
Chief Clerk

Notes

1/ Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
(United Nations publication, Sales No. 1957.VI.A.1).
