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Compact supporters in U.S. Congress cite Efforts to resolve tax, trade problems

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Key supporters of the Compact of Free Association in the U.S. Congress said in an Aug. 9 letter to President Tosiwo Nakayama they expect the tax and trade issues to be resolved consistently with FSM interests by the time the August congressional recess ends.

They urged the FSM President and people not to lose faith in the eventual outcome of the Compact.

The one senator and four congres-

ressmen said that actions taken so far by the U.S. Congress should be seen as "very encouraging" and that the essential commitments made to the FSM are preserved, except in the "remaining problem area," tax and trade incentives.

The letter was signed by Senate Energy and Natural Resources Chairman James A. McClure of Idaho, House Foreign Affairs Chairman Dante B. Fascell of Florida, House Asian and Pacific Affairs

Subcommittee Chairman Stephen J. Solarz of New York, Ranking Asian and Pacific Affairs member Jim Leach of Iowa and House Foreign Affairs and Interior minority member Robert J. Lagomarsino of California.

They said they hoped the Compact would be approved by the Congress early in September.

The letter was in response to a July 29 letter from Nakayama to Senate Finance Chairman Bob Packwood of Oregon that the elimination of the tax and trade incentives by the Ways and Means Committee in the House resolution which was approved July 25 by a 360 to 12 vote would "render the Compact unacceptable to my government and my people."

The Senate Finance Committee reported July 29 the Compact resolution with the tax and trade amendments made in the House. The recess began Aug. 3 and Congress is scheduled to reconvene Sept. 9.

The amendments eliminate the tax incentives in the Compact for U.S. citizens and corporations to work and invest in the FSM, provide that FSM citizens working in the U.S. will be taxed by the U.S. and eliminate the so-called Headnote 3a trade provision to treat the FSM the same as U.S. territories in allowing Micronesian goods to enter the United States duty free.

The Compact is expected to go to a House-Senate conference committee to iron out differences in the two versions, after it is approved by the Senate.



FIRST SEAWEED HARVEST - Pohnpei U Seaweed Corp. officials are weighing Aug. 12 the first seaweed harvested from their Takeieu-Dehpehk aquatic farm. The Pohnpei State Economic Development Authority paid a guaranteed price of 12 cents a pound for the 829 pounds harvested Aug. 12-13 to encourage commercial seaweed production as part of the FSM and state marine resources matching fund program. From left are Jakob Alex, Robert David, corporation president Pedrus Lone and Paulus Lone. (See story on Page 3.)

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Pohnpei group back from successful Arts Festival tour

NOIONIA, Pohnpei - The Pohnpei delegation successfully participated in the June 29-July 15 Fourth Pacific Arts Festival, despite difficulties in getting to Tahiti and back, according to Assistant to the Governor for Federal Relations Santiago Joab, Festival Coordinating Committee chairman and head of the delegation.

In his July 23 report to Gov. Resio Moses, Joab said that the transportation problem was created when the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration grounded South Pacific Island Airways which was scheduled to carry the group from Honolulu to Tahiti.

A bankruptcy court reportedly froze \$41,000 provided by the Pohnpei State Legislature which was paid to SPIA, so the legislature authorized the reprogramming of \$33,000 in lapsing State Education Department funds to cover transportation costs of the performers, while state and national government officials who accompanied paid their own transportation, according to State Federal Programs Coordinator Simon Kihleng who went to Papeete in advance of the delegation.

In addition, \$2,000 was provided by the FSM Congress which is being asked to provide an additional \$25,000 to defray the cost, Kihleng said.

The biggest disappointment was missing the opening and closing ceremonies, due to the airline schedules, according to national Micronesian Affairs Chief Johnny Hadley, the FSM representative to the Pacific Arts Council who accompanied the delegation.

The delegation was not able to get a flight out of Honolulu until June 30, arriving at 4 a.m. July 1 in Papeete where it was met by Kihleng, festival coordinating officials and a group of Tahitian dancers, and it had to leave July 15, before the closing ceremony, Hadley said.

The delegation was housed for three days en route to Tahiti and one day, before returning July 18, at the Kamehameha School in

Honolulu which was arranged by Kihleng and Carolyn Imamura and Sherlyn Franklin, and it was housed at the Notre Dame Catholic School with the Nauru delegation in Papeete, Joab reported.

The Pohnpei dancers, the Pwihn en Pidek en Dolen Wenik (Wenik mountain group) of U Municipality, presented 11 performances in different locations, and was featured on the front page of a major Tahiti newspaper, after its first performance July 3 before a large crowd at the Museum of Tahiti, Joab said.

The Pohnpei group also presented weaving, woodcarving and traditional umw cooking, he said.

The final dance performance was on Moorea Island, five miles from Papeete, according to Joab who said the officials accompanying the performers were hosted to a number of official meetings and luncheons.

Joab presented a handicraft gift and Pohnpei flag to French Polynesia President Gaston Flosse.

Other officials in the delegation included FSM Education Chief Daro Weital, representing President Tosiwo Nakayama; Hadley; Pohnpei Chief Justice Edwel Santos; Legislature Speaker Salter Etse; State Senator Joseph Moses, Festival Coordinating Committee vice chairman; Pensile Lawrence of the committee, and Nanken of Madolenihmw Klemens Hadley, representing Pohnpei traditional leaders.

Joab said that he was invited with Klemens Hadley, Etse and Primus Marino, a performer, by U.S. film star Marlon Brando to visit his Polynesian island retreat, Tetiaroa, a 20-minute flight from Papeete.

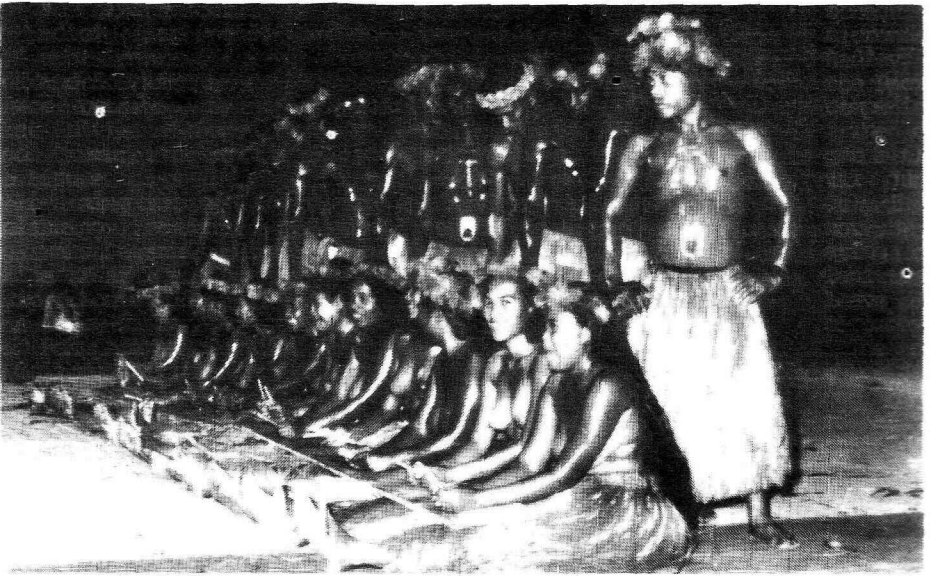
The Pohnpei performances were filmed on video tape by Widell Edwin of the Community College of Micronesia Audio-Visual Center.

The 31 performers in the delegation were Mr. and Mrs. Primus Marino, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bernardo, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Prens Katao, Akio Bernardo, Mikel Marquez, Michael Bernardo, Pelicio Bernardo, Alpret Bernardo, Paulus Primo, Mike

Katao, Hilario Primo, Olter Alex, Alehko Peiso, Kindaro Donre, Monalissa Primo, Brihter Alex, Rihda Iadorre, Margarita Dores, Aurelia Dores, Rosihda Marquez, Carmelinda Alex, Ioana Kepinten, Adelina Katao, Koisimy Rudolph, Jester Saich and Ioakim Moses.

Johnny Hadley said, "Maybe we should have our own festival first, so that we can select representatives of all states," he said.

The Fourth Pacific Arts Festival was scheduled to be held in December, 1984, in New Caledonia, but was postponed due to political violence there and moved to French Polynesia.



POHNSPEI DANCERS AT ARTS FESTIVAL - Members of the Pwihn en Pidek en Dolen Wenik (Wenik mountain group) of U Municipality, which represented Pohnpei and the FSM at the Fourth Pacific Arts Festival in French Polynesia, are performing July 14 on Moorea Island. The performance was featured in a major Tahitian newspaper. The group conducted 11 performances at various locations during the two-week festival. (Photo by Widell Edwin, CCM Audio-Visual Center)

Klein named KSL counsel

LEIU, Kosrae - Dennis M. Klein of Honolulu, a former attorney with the Federal Communications Commission and Ralph Nader's Center for Auto Safety in Washington, D.C., was named to succeed Al Snyder as counsel to the Kosrae State Legislature, according to a June 24 KSL release.

Speakers urge Compact Changes deleted

COLONIA, Yap - Participants in the Second FSM Speakers' Conference here July 29-Aug. 1 expressed doubt that the Compact of Free Association would be acceptable to the FSM people and elected representatives as amended in the U.S. House, removing tax and trade incentives, according to an Aug. 13 Yap State Information Office release.

In a TELEX to the FSM Representative's Office in Washington, D.C., Yap State Legislature Speaker Joseph Ayin who served as conference chairman said, "We are particularly concerned with the grave consequences of amendments proposed by the House Ways and Means Committee which we regretfully understand are substantially retained in the Compact legislation adopted by the House.

"These amendments will seriously undermine our efforts at economic development and perpetuate the stagnant economy left to us as a legacy of the trusteeship.

"Other amendments would undermine our sovereign status and effectively contradict the concept of free association we have approved," Ayin said.

The TELEX said that the House is seeking to unilaterally alter the terms of the Compact agreement as approved by the people in a June 21, 1983, plebiscite and by three of the four state legislatures.

"We hope and trust that these objectionable amendments be deleted by the (House-Senate) conference committee prior to final U. S. congressional action on the Compact," Ayin said.

"We wish to make clear however that should the compact be approved in amended form which substantially and deleteriously alters the agreement already approved by the FSM, we see no alternative but to resubmit the altered agreement for reconsideration in the FSM according to our legal requirements.

"In this regard, we are skeptical that the Compact as presently amended will be acceptable to our people and their elected representatives," he said.

Palikir permit issued

COLONIA, Pohnpei - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issued July 10 a federal permit to the FSM Office of Planning and Statistics authorizing land fill activities in conjunction with construction of the national capitol and Community College of Micronesia campus in Palikir, according to Col. Michael M. Jenks, Honolulu district engineer.

FSM urged to keep faith in Compact

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The President was in the Cook Islands at the time the TELEX version of the congressional letter arrived here. He was attending with FSM Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry the Aug. 5-6 South Pacific Forum and Aug. 7-10 Pacific Islands Conference meetings in Rorotonga.

The President and Speaker were scheduled to attend, during their return trip, a meeting being scheduled Aug. 24-26 in Honolulu with Reagan administration officials to prepare for the conference committee.

The governors and state legislature speakers also were being invited to attend the Honolulu meeting which will be preceded by internal FSM meetings, according to Status Commission legal counsel Greg Swartz.

The Aug. 9 letter to the FSM President states:

"During the past several months, those of us in the U.S. Congress who support most actively the Compact of Free Association have devoted our energies to the attainment of a broad bipartisan consensus in both houses, to clear the way for final passage of the Compact legislation prior to Oct. 1 of this year.

"We have been successful to this point in securing an overwhelming affirmative vote by the House of Representatives on July 25th, and in eliminating virtually all concerns blocking action by the Senate except for one now remaining, which relates solely

to the tax and tariff provisions of the Compact.

"Our intention and that of our colleagues in this effort is more than simply to secure final passage of the Compact resolution in any form. It is also to protect the essential commitments made to the governments and peoples of the freely associated states.

"We believe that actions taken by the Congress thus far should be seen as very encouraging, since we have dealt with widely disparate views of members in a way that preserves the essential commitments made to your country, except in the one remaining problem area.

"The fact that our ultimate goal has not yet been reached should not cause you or your people to lose heart. It is true that the intense concentration now being directed toward tax reform throughout the U.S. government gives use a more difficult task with the Compact, but we are convinced that the remaining issues can and will be resolved consistently with both our interests in the days ahead.

"We continue to believe that the Compact is very much in the interest of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and the United States. We are also hopeful that by the time the Congress returns from its summer recess, many of the problems that now exist will have been resolved and the Compact will be approved in an expeditious fashion by the Congress early in September."

1st Pohnpei seaweed harvest over 800 lbs.

COLONIA, Pohnpei - The Pohnpei State Economic Development Authority paid Pohnpei U Seaweed Corp. \$98 for the first 829 pounds of seaweed harvested Aug. 12-13 at its Takeieu Island site, according to EDA Aquaculture Extension Agent Dick Croft.

The EDA Board of Directors authorized Executive Director Anson Chong to retain Croft, a former Pohnpei State Marine Resources chief who is experienced in seaweed cultivation, to serve one year beginning July 15 as an aquaculture extension agent to assist groups in growing seaweed for commercial export.

The board also authorized the guaranteed payment of 12 cents a pound for seaweed cultivation through the current fiscal year which ends Sept. 30, according to Chong who left Pohnpei on Aug.

13, after completing a two-year contract.

The seaweed harvested from the three acres in the Takeieu-Dehphek area is being replanted to expand the project to about 20 acres which would produce enough

seaweed to export it by the container load, according to Chong who said that a container holds 18-20 tons of dried seaweed which sells for \$6,000-\$8,000 a container at current world prices of 25 cents a kilogram dry weight.

In addition to the technical support from Croft, EDA provided tools and equipment to the U group from matching funds provided for the State Marine Resources Development Plan by the state and national governments.

Harris acting Health director

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Gov. Resio Moses designated Pohnpei State Director of Administration Itor Harris to serve as acting Health Services Director, while his nomination to that post is pending in the State Legislature.

In an Aug. 9 memorandum to all state government departments and agencies, the governor also designated State Planning, Programming, Budgeting and Statistics Administrator Ihlen K. Joseph as acting Director of Administration and State Budget Officer Dion Neth to replace Joseph on an interim basis.

"These interim designations will become effective on Saturday, Aug. 10, and will remain in effect until superceded in accordance with state laws and applicable procedures," Moses said.

He said the interim appointment of Harris, a dental officer, was made due to the need for more organized leadership in the Health Services Department.

Dr. Animis David had been serving as acting Health Services Director, following the resignation of Dr. Alex Panuelo in March.

The governor nominated David to serve as Health Services deputy director on April 10, when he nominated Harris to serve as director.

David's nomination was rejected June 12 by the legislature on the grounds that he said he was not actively seeking the post. The State Legislature Health and Social Services Committee also recommended rejecting the nomination of Harris, but that recommendation did not receive a majority vote in the legislature, so the nomination remains pending.

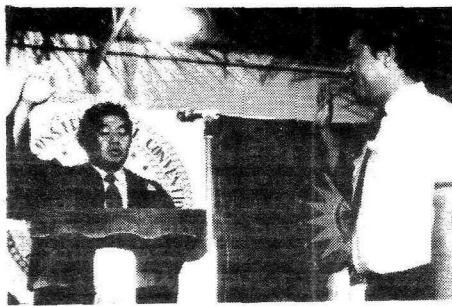
EPB to hold 1st meeting

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The FSM Environmental Protection Board will begin its first meeting here 1:30 p.m. Aug. 14 in the Congress chamber with Transportation Chief Robert J. Weilbacher serving as acting chairman, according to FSM Environmental Health Coordinator Carl Dannis.

Vice President Bailey Olter is scheduled to address the opening session.

The organizational meeting will include the election of officers during the first day and will continue through Aug. 16.

Weilbacher represents the national government; Sebastian Anafel, Yap; Masao Nakayama, Truk; and John Sigrah, Kosrae, on the board, while the Pohnpei appointment was pending.



CONSTITUTION IMPLEMENTED - Pohnpei Supreme Court Chief Justice Bâwel Santos, left, is swearing in Rusto Ljaman as the first constitutional chief magistrate during an Aug. 2 ceremony at the Sokehs Municipal Building implementing the Sokehs Municipal Constitution. Sokehs was the fifth municipality to implement a constitution under provisions of the Pohnpei State Constitution which went into effect Nov. 8.



NETT DRAFT SIGNED - Nanswarki Fredrick Iriarte, seated, is signing the draft Nett Municipal Constitution during an Aug. 7 ceremony in the Nett Elementary School cafeteria with Nett convention chairman Quirino Mendiola, right, and convention secretary Albert Iriarte observing. The public education and referendum dates are to be set by the Nett Municipal Council.

FmHA loans reported

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The Farmers Home Administration Pohnpei Area Office approved 318 applications totaling \$748,550 and disapproved 17 in three housing loan categories, during the first nine months of fiscal 1985, FmHA Area Supervisor Shelten G. Neth reported July 23 to the Pohnpei State Legislature.

In the report addressed to Speaker Salter Etse and Finance Chairman Kaisano Joseph of Kitti, Neth said that the number of families benefiting and Oct. 1, 1984-June 30, 1985, distribution of loans by municipality was: Mokil, 13 families, \$43,370; Nett, 24, \$73,813; Kolonia Town, 28, \$76,443; Kitti, 33, \$72,620; Madolenihmw, 44, \$103,750; U, 48, \$125,290; Pingelap, 49, \$109,794; and Sokehs, 76, \$154,470.

FSM backs Forum Nuclear ban pact

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The FSM supports the nuclear free zone treaty which was unanimously approved during the 16th South Pacific Forum held Aug. 5-6 in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, which was attended by President Tosiwo Nakayama and Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry, according to External Affairs Department officials.

The President and Speaker also attended the Aug. 7-10 Pacific Islands Conference in Rarotonga which was scheduled to address the issues of 1) The Pacific Islands in the 21st Century, 2) Urban and Rural Life, 3) Health and Nutrition, 4) Youth and 5) the Role of the Private Sector in Development.

While the FSM is an observer member of the Forum and could not formally vote on the treaty, the President has repeatedly stated the official FSM position supporting its provisions banning nuclear waste dumping and nuclear weapons testing in the Pacific.

Nakayama told the 1984 Forum meeting in Tuvalu that the principles of the proposed nuclear free zone are consistent with the Compact of Free Association which was ratified by FSM voters in 1983 and is being considered by the U.S. Congress.

He said that the FSM supported the Forum decision in 1984 to appoint a working group headed by Australia to draft the treaty.

The treaty leaves it up to individual countries to decide whether to allow nuclear-powered, or nuclear-armed vessels or aircraft

to enter its ports and airfields, according to the Associated Press report which appeared in the Aug. 8 Pacific Daily News.

The main points of the treaty provide that no South Pacific country which signs it would develop, manufacture, acquire or receive from others any nuclear explosive device; there would be no

testing of nuclear devices in the Pacific, nor stationing of nuclear weapons in treaty territories, and strict safeguards would apply to nuclear activities in the region, including the export of nuclear material for peaceful non-explosive use, according to the AP report.

Alco project Engineers named

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Consulting engineers have been named for the design of system and plant improvements required for installation of Alco generators being provided by the U.S. Interior Department in Truk and Yap, while Pohnpei is expected to perform the engineering design and supervision in-house, according to FSM Construction Chief Amos Coffelt.

Eight 2,000-KW generators obtained from a hydroelectric construction project in James Bay, Quebec, Canada, are being overhauled by Diesel Systems, Inc., in Benicia, California.

Two each of the generators are scheduled to be installed at existing power plants in Moen and Yap proper, while four generators are proposed to be installed on a barge to be towed to Kolonia to serve as a floating power plant.

A contract was signed July 17 by Truk State Public Works Director Mel Morris with CH2M Hill in its Honolulu office to provide consulting engineering services for the two Alco units in Moen and Yap has contracted with GMP Engineers Associates of Honolulu and Guam to provide the engineering services necessary for the modification of its power plant to integrate the additional generators into the system.

The Pohnpei portion of the \$1,-618,000 grant to the FSM for the Alco project was turned over to the state for administration and coordination by Vice President Bailey Oltor in a July 25 letter to Gov. Resio Moses.

COM roof bids sought

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Sealed bids for the removal and replacement of the roof and floor-ceiling assembly of the building housing the Community College of Micronesia cafeteria and College of Micronesia central office are due by 3 p.m. Sept. 6 at the FSM Office of Planning and Statistics here, according to FSM Engineer E. Terrence Kearney.

Plans and specifications for the project are available at the OPS Construction Division office above Ambros Store in Kolonia.

The Fourth FSM Congress authorized funds during its first special session in July to replace the second-floor roof which was damaged June 26 by a wind storm and to repair the ceiling over the ground-floor cafeteria area of the two-story building.

Skills training to start in Yap

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - FSM Trades Training and Testing Program Coordinator Henry Hickey said here Aug. 9, after presenting national skills certificates to 29 trainees, that he will take a team of experts Aug. 14 to Yap to set up the T3 program.

"Preliminary planning has commenced to implement the program in Kosrae," Hickey said, adding, "The only major obstacle to overcome is the assignment of a suitable building in which to house it."

He said that he plans to investigate the possibility of bringing Kosraean trainees to Pohnpei, if a building is not made available there.

Hickey said the team would spend the first week in Yap purchasing materials and building benches and training aids in a building to house the three workshops, an office and a storeroom provided with funds for its renovation by Gov. John Mangefel.

Yapese training officers, one each in electrical, mechanical and construction skills, will be selected during the second week and training will begin during the third week after the team arrives in Kolonia, according to Hickey who said that all tools have been purchased for the three workshops, a government vehicle, procured and a house rented for the visiting experts who will be there for one month.

Applications are due Aug. 15

for the three training officers and the applicants must have at least three years of experience in carpentry, blocklaying, painting, plumbing and joining for the construction post; electrical power systems, linesman, power house operations, motors, generators, power panels and air conditioning for the electrical instructor, and motor vehicle mechanics, diesel engine fitting, heavy plant operations, welding and fitting and turning, for the mechanical trainer.

The T3 program is sponsored by the U.N. Development Program and International Labor Organization which sent three experts to start the FSM program in Pohnpei in June, 1984. It was extended to Truk in February.

Training and testing for national certification is provided at the basic, intermediate and final levels.

Certificates were presented Aug. 9 at the Pohnpei T3 center by Hickey at the final level to Welly Welles and Dannis Iorin in electrical skills.

Intermediate level certificates went to John Tiegmai, Petner Ham, Romeo Soulik and Akino in mechanical; McNutt J. Poll, Kaster Poll, Iokopus Thomsin, Dillingken Jim, Bryner Peter, Weldy Albert and Rawhide Edward, construction, and Donisiano Abraham, Densin Edward and Clevenger David, electrical skills.

Basic level certificates went to Kasnia Jim, Boner Edward, Pedrus Edward, Salestino Oliver, Kamy Jim, Stanley Albert, Gideon K. Doone Jr. and Nixon Hebel in construction; Youser Mathew, Wickley Peter, Rooney Santos and Rainer Gilmete, mechanical, and Alfonse Lawrence, electrical skills.

Lobster survey set

LELU, Kosrae - The Kosrae State Marine Resources Division will launch a lobster and crab conservation program in August with a survey to determine monthly and yearly catches, according to a July 15 State Information Office release.

Citing the decline in numbers of the shellfish, due to man's exploitation, the division will provide forms asking fisherman to provide the date, hour and place of fishing; weight and numbers of shellfish taken, and fishing gear used.

In addition, the division is asking for assistance in conserving lobsters and crabs by not harvesting the undersized ones.



RECEIVES T3 CERTIFICATE - FSM Trades Training and Testing Program Coordinator Henry Hickey, left, is presenting Aug. 9 at the Pohnpei T3 center a certificate for being tested at the final level of electrical skills to Welly Welles who serves as the electrical skills instructor at the center.

Criminal code held constitutional

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The FSM Supreme Court Appellate Division upheld the constitutionality of the National Criminal Code in a July 23 order affirming the conviction of Jay Tamow of Yap who pleaded guilty Aug. 30, 1983, to aggravated assault.

Tamow reportedly filed motions before and after his guilty plea to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction, arguing that the National Criminal Code is unconstitutional because the FSM Congress has no authority to define and punish criminal activity unless the activity is "national" in character as defined by the U.S. Constitution in giving these powers to the states.

The National Criminal Code adopted by the First FSM Congress defines "major crimes" as "all crimes which are punishable by imprisonment for a period of three years or more" and by monetary losses exceeding \$1,000.

The Appellate Division order written by Designated Justice Mamoru Nakamura, Palau Supreme Court Chief Justice, and signed by Designated Justice Janet H. Weeks, Guam Superior Court judge, and FSM Chief Justice Edward C. King said that the Micronesian Constitution extended the power to the national government to define "major crimes" without reservation, except for consideration of local custom and tradition.

The court said that while FSM Constitution framers drew on the U.S. Constitution, "we must recognize that such a clause presumably represents a conscious effort by the framers to select a road other than that paved by the United States Constitution."

It said, "Major crimes obvious-

ly were not viewed by the (FSM) framers as simply a local or state problem.

"The Major Crimes Clause undoubtedly reflects their judgement that the very integrity of this new nation could be threatened if major crimes could be committed with impunity in any part of the nation, with the national government forced helplessly to stand aside."

In Trial Division action, King issued July 25 an order denying William Heston relief in his civil suit against the national government to be taxed at the lower "business" rate of \$80 for the first \$10,000 of revenue and 3 per cent of all additional annual revenue, instead of the "employee" rate of 6 per cent for the first \$11,000 and 10 per cent of any additional wages.

Heston entered Feb. 1, 1984, a \$100,000 one-year contract under the name Pacific Financial Consultants with the Pohnpei state government to reorganize and upgrade the State Finance Office.

The name Pacific Financial Consultants was not important, according to the court, because "the contract does not contemplate services by anybody other than Heston" who held a "high official office," serving with the title, "Chief of Finance," a position established by state law with powers to hire and fire employees.

The court said that Heston's position as Chief of Finance was a high public office, comparable to that of Edwin Rauzi, a former Pohnpei state prosecutor, who was denied his attempt to pay the lower FSM business tax.

Yap Constitution Journals offered

KOLONIA, Yap - A public offering is planned for the Yap State Constitutional Convention Journals which are slated to be published at the end of 1985, according to the Publication Committee for the Publication of Yap Constitutional Records Chairman Brian Farley who is Special Assistant to Gov. John Mangefel.

Farley said that 500 copies of the journals are expected to be printed in two volumes, totalling 1,400 pages and sold at cost for about \$50 a set, following the format of the 1975 Micronesian Constitutional Convention.

Yap, which was the first FSM state to draft and implement its constitution in 1982, "has a unique form of government with four branches, legislative, executive, judicial and traditional," Farley said.

"For this reason, we felt that there might be more than average interest by researchers, political scientists and constitutional lawyers in acquiring a set of journals for study," he said.

Other members of the publication committee are State Senator Joe Tnag, committee vice chairman; FSM Congress Floor Leader John Haglegam; State Senator Tony Ganngiyan; Sebastian Anefal of the State Education Department; State Legislature Legislative Counsel Martin Yinug, and FSM Supreme Court Ombudsman Ted Retun. All served as constitutional convention delegates or staff members.

Gardening workshop held

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Thirty Pohnpei women completed a home gardening workshop in vegetable production and utilization held July 8-19 at PICS High School here, according to Pohnpei Community Action Agency Executive Director Senellie Singeo, project coordinator.

PICS Vocational Agriculture Department Chairperson Nenon G. Dayrit conducted the workshop with the assistance of PICS agriculture teachers and her husband, Dr. Rubin Dayrit of the College of Tropical Agriculture and Science.

A closing ceremony was held July 23 at PICS for the workshop which was jointly sponsored by FCAA, the Pohnpei State Education Department and CFAS Extension Service.

FSM Supreme Court Calender

TRIAL DIVISION-POHNPEI

Date/Time	Case Name	Charge	Proceeding
Aug. 16, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Salmon	Sexual abuse	Trial
20, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Gilmete	Murder	Sentencing
26, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Plais	Murder	Pretrial
27, 9 a.m.	Semens v. Continental, et. al.	Injury	Pretrial
9 a.m.	Wolfe v. Hutchfield	Employment	Hearing
Sept. 9, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Plais	Murder	Trial
11, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Mid-Pac Const.	Tax	Pretrial
9 a.m.	FSM v. Towns Payless	Tax	Pretrial
12, 9 a.m.	FSM Development Bank v. Paulus	Debt	Trial
20, 9 a.m.	Peace Corps v. Apis	Breach of Contract	Trial
24, 9 a.m.	PITC v. Weilbacher	Debt	Pretrial
25, 9 a.m.	FSM v. Towns Payless	Tax	Trial
9 a.m.	FSM v. Mid-Pac Const.	Tax	Trial

APPELLATE DIVISION

Sept. 17, 9 a.m.	Wolfe v. FSM	Oral Argument
19, 9 a.m.	Dores v. FSM	Oral Argument

Liberation Day Playoffs near

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The championship series will begin Aug. 24 for women's softball and men's baseball in the annual Pohnpei Liberation Day games here, according to Sports Council Administrator Jim Tobin.

The games will end with track finals and traditional competition in fire-starting and coconut husking on Liberation Day, Sept. 11, at the PICS high school track.

The three-game women's softball series will be held Aug. 24, 25 and 30 at the Administration Field and the five-game men's baseball series Aug. 24, 25, 31 and Sept. 1 and 2 at the Community College of Micronesia field.

Other events include:

Women's volleyball, best of three games, and men's volleyball, best of five, Aug. 25, Seventh Day Adventist School; men's basketball, best of three, Aug. 25-27, SDA School.

Girl's softball, best of three, Aug. 26-28, Administration Field; Little, Junior and Senior boys' baseball, best of three in each league, Aug. 28-30, Administration and CCM fields.

Peisih (traditional stick throwing), Aug. 31; men's softball, best of three, Sept. 3-5, Administration Field; swimming events, Sept. 7; canoe races, Sept. 9, and track preliminary heats and field finals, Sept. 10, PICS track.



EQUIPMENT DONATED - Fred Racho, right, of Guam, Micronesia sales manager for Western Sales Trading Co., is presenting July 16 a donation by the firm of 55 baseball gloves, 20 bats and 24 baseballs to the Pohnpei Sports Council in the governor's conference room. From left are PSC Vice President Phil Ching, PSC Administrator Jim Tobin, PSC President Lee Mendiola, Gov. Resio Moses and Racho.

Jenkins joins Bank of FSM

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Ron Jenkins, former Bank of Hawaii branch manager in Saipan and Pohnpei, became June 13 the executive vice president and chief executive officer for the Bank of the FSM, the first commercial bank organized in the Federated States, according to its president and board chairman, former FSM Vice President Petrus Tun of Yap.

Jenkins served as the Bank of Hawaii Pohnpei branch manager for two years, before being transferred in 1983 to Saipan. He was with the Bank of Hawaii for 11 years, including eight years in Micronesia, having served as manager of the consumer loan department in the bank's Guam branch.

Jenkins, 40, is a native of Hawaii who was graduated from San Jose State University, California, with a BS degree in finance and who started in banking with the County Bank of Santa Cruz, California. He is married to the former Susie Crews of California.

Jenkins said that the bank is ready to open its doors in Kosrae within two weeks after receiving coverage by the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and an operating permit from the FSM Banking Board.

"I feel confident that we will get FDIC approval," he said, adding, "The minute we get FDIC approval, we have to apply to the FSM Banking Board for an operating permit."

"Also, at that time the board will authorize the public sale bank stock to FSM citizens," Jenkins said, noting that it is the intention of the bank to sell stock as widely as possible and to get as many FSM shareholders as possible.

The original paid in capital for the bank is "close to \$700,000," he said.

More than \$1 million in bank stocks at \$10 a share will be available when the FDIC coverage and operating permit are obtained, according to Jenkins.

Veteran banker Ricardo Alba of Panama worked January-June setting up the Kosrae branch which is ready to begin operating on the second floor of the Skilling Hotel in Tofol.

The bank was committed to opening its first branch in Kosrae because that island had no com-

mercial bank. A Bank of Hawaii branch was opened there in April.

The second branch is targeted for Truk and the third for Yap, Jenkins said, noting that Gov. Resio Moses asked, in a letter to President Tosiwo Nakayama, that a Pohnpei branch opening be delayed until legal problems raised by the state are resolved.

The resignation of Bell Helgenberger from the bank board should resolve the apparent conflict of interest with his father, FSM Resources and Development Secretary Bernard Helgenberger sitting on the FSM Banking Board, he said.

"Hopefully, Pohnpei will see that the bank is a local bank and will reconsider its position," Jenkins said.

"The vast majority of our profits will stay here in the FSM, because the vast majority of the stockholders are here," he said.

Video training held

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Nine people completed the June 19-28 Video Training Workshop here sponsored by the FSM Information Office and funded by the Hoso Bunka Foundation of Japan, according to FSM Broadcast Chief Esikiel Lippwe

HBF, which was founded in 1974 by NHK Radio of Japan, provided 5 million yen (\$20,000) through the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union Tokyo office for the VHS video cameras and editing equipment used in the workshop and the transportation and expenses of Yosio Watanabe, an instructor from the NHK Radio Training Institute, Japan, and participants from Yap, Truk and Kosrae.

The equipment was retained by the FSM Broadcast Division for video production and future training, according to Lippwe.

Completing the training in video production planning, camera work and editing were Peter Garanf, Yap; Augustine Ysam Duffy, Truk; Alex Phillip, Kosrae; Bermin Tanaka, Aramas Kapw-Micronesia Bound, Inc., Pohnpei; Widin Edwin, Community College of Micronesia, Pohnpei; Francis Zarred, WSZD Radio, Pohnpei, and Angie Mualia and Elieser Rospel, FSM Information Office, Pohnpei.

Isaac joins Congress

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Edigar Isaac, a native of Pingelap who was graduated from Hizpah High School in Truk and Silliman University, Philippines, and who was serving as a Pohnpei state personnel specialist, was named assistant congressional administration director in July, according to Director of Administration Suta Rayel.



JENKINS

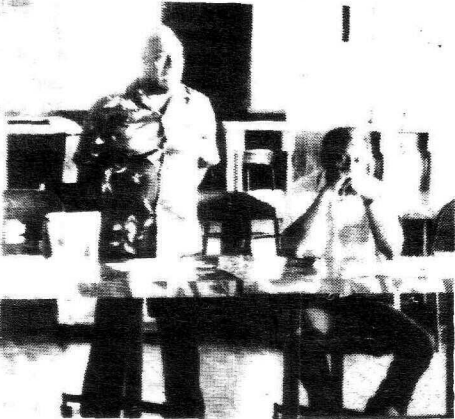
FSM, Marshalls Palau to form computer user group

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The basic problems have been solved with the financial management software installed by the U.S. Interior Department in the state and national government mainframe computers, according to FSM Finance Secretary Al Tuuth.

Tuuth also announced that finance and data processing representatives from the Marshall Islands, Palau and the FSM state and national governments decided during a July 15-19 computer conference here to form a "user group" which would eventually take over responsibilities from the Interior Department for monitoring and upgrading the financial management computer systems.

Minister of Administration Haruo Willter represented Palau and Jim Ley the Marshalls at the conference.

Assistant to the Secretary Tisser Ippwe is assigned to coordinate and FSM Assistant Attorney General for taxes Alan Lautenan is preparing draft by-laws the first user group meeting which is



AT COMPUTER WORKSHOP - FSM Vice President Bailey Oltar, standing next to Pohnpei Gov. Resio Moses, is addressing the opening session of the July 15-19 computer conference in the Oceanview Restaurant and Bar in Kolonia which was attended by financial and data processing officials from Palau, the Marshall Islands and the FSM state and national governments.

scheduled for the first week in September in Palau, Tuuth said.

Tuuth is scheduled to be in Honolulu at the time of the Palau meeting to attend a meeting with potential U.S. investors during the Compact of Free Association period which was put together by the Merrill, Lynch Co. investment brokers. He will go from there to Washington, D.C., for three months of training at the International Monetary Fund headquarters.

A number of problems with computer installations were discussed during the conference here which was attended by representatives of the Interior Department, including Office of Territorial and International Affairs Technical Assistance Director Frank Solomon; the U.S. Inspector General's Office in Guam; Touche, Ross and Co. auditing and accounting firm; Pacific Data Systems of Guam which supplied the WANG VS90 computers, and Information Development Consultants of Chicago which provided the DILOG and CAPPS financial management software, according to Tuuth.

The conference was held in response to complaints from the FSM that the software was not properly tested before being installed so it generated little useful information.

"I think the basic problems are solved," Tuuth said.

He said that IDC, the software vendor, and Touche, Ross, "looked at the DILOG system and determined the system can work."

The problems, Tuuth said, were the lack of training for state and national government personnel and lack of accounting supervision, a management discrepancy at the national government level which led to misfiled and lost documents.

With the assistance of consultant Bill Heston and the reorganization of the Accounting and Automatic Data Processing divisions which are now functioning as one division under Accounting Chief Sihna Neth all financial management entries are up to date, so

"this year we will be able to close the books for (fiscal) 1985 and produce a final report, something we couldn't do last year," he said.

The state governments are fully on line with the financial management software, except Pohnpei which is waiting with the national government for DILOG accounting software which is scheduled to be delivered by IDC in October, according to Tuuth.

The secretary said that he is planning to separate the mainframe computer from the Finance Department within two years, so that other agencies can fully utilize it.

Ippwe will be in charge of enhancing the computer program by bringing telecommunications, the national health plan and other programs on line, he said.

1st semester near

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Classes will begin Aug. 26 for the first semester at the Community College of Micronesia here, according to CCM Dean of Instruction Timothy Jerry.

Freshman orientation week will be held Aug. 19-24; sophomore and third-year registration, Aug. 21; freshman registration, Aug. 22, and part-time registration, Aug. 23.

The college is changing from the 11-week quarter system to 16-week semesters this fall to be compatible with other institutions, especially the University of Guam, in transferring credits, Jerry said.

He said that 112 Micronesians have responded that they intend to enroll as freshmen during the 1985 Fall Semester from among more than 500 who were given the CCM entrance examination earlier this year.

There were 335 students, including 94 freshmen at the beginning of the 1984 Fall Quarter, according to Admissions and Records Director Bette Hiesterman.

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