

UN terminated trusteeship in relation to FSM

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The United Nations (U.N.) has terminated the trusteeship in relations to the FSM, Marshalls, and Northern Marianas, Saturday afternoon (December 22) in New York and Sunday morning (December 23) here, with a vote of thirteen to one, said President John R. Haglelgam in an interview.

Haglelgam is crediting the FSM External Affairs, FSM Embassy in Washington, D.C., and the State Department

among others for the hard works and efforts given toward gaining the termination of the trusteeship. When asked, the Chief of Staff of the Office of the President Ieske Iehsi who should be credited on the termination of the trusteeship, said "I think we owe a lot for this major accomplishment to our President, especially for his personal negotiation with and winning the support of the heads of governments throughout the Asian Pacific Region. Getting the support of our friends and neighbors, an

approach immediately taken by Haglelgam soon after he took office, played a major part in this success."

In addition, Haglelgam said that the termination was requested at the Summit with President George Bush in Honolulu, and agreed by his South Pacific colleagues to be included in the Summit agenda as a topic of discussion; and at the opening statement, the Prime Minister of Fiji Ratu Mara brought it up.

At the Summit, Haglelgam also
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Haglelgam sends Yuletide Message

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - President John R. Haglelgam quoted the Bible that it is more a blessing to give than to receive, in his Yuletide message to the people of the FSM.

In his message, the President said: "My fellow citizens, the Vice President, officials and staff of the National Government join my family and I in bringing you Christmas greetings and best wishes for a joyous and prosperous New Year.

Christmas is a special time of the year. It is a time for gathering to bring joy, peace and hope to our family, relatives, friends, and, in a larger sense, our communities. It is a time of giving and receiving, a time to reach out and help those in need and pray that the Lord touches their hearts and bless them with the spirit of the seasons; a time of joyful celebrations, promise of hope and peace, and a time to reflect on the past and set

a new goal for ourselves. It is a time to recall the loss of our loved ones who will only live in our hearts and memories, pray for their souls and wish that they could have been with us. And most importantly, a time to celebrate the birth

of Jesus Christ.

It is the joy of giving, that is Christmas. As the Bible says, "it is more blessed to give than to receive." This spirit shouldn't end when we take down

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PRESIDENT DELIVERS YULETIDE MESSAGE- President John R. Haglelgam is delivering his Yuletide Message to his fellow citizens.

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brought up to Bush's attention, the termination of the trusteeship and Bush said he will have the State Department work on it right away. In meeting with the State Department officials, Haglelgam learned that the Soviet Union was re-thinking about the termination, but as he returned from his State Visit to China he also learned that the Soviet Union has no objection to the termination.

Soviet Union and the United States worked out a resolution which was introduced into the United Nations in December, but was held up because of another resolution condemning Israel, that after being cleared was able to act on the termination resolution.

With the trusteeship terminated, the FSM will be able to join the U.N. which will be the natural next step; be able to sign the Law of the Sea; join the Vienna Convention among other things and, "in the eyes of the whole world we are sovereign," Haglelgam concluded.

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our Christmas trees. As individuals and as a nation, we must extend the spirit of giving throughout the year.

Christmas should also be a special time for our nation, we must learn the lessons of Christmas: the joy of giving and the importance of peace. We shall look toward the challenges of the future which I believe we can find a measure of comfort and strength in the progress we have made in maintaining peace and harmony at home and in projecting a strong and stable image abroad. This is made possible because of your strong commitment to our nation. We shall dedicate ourselves to face the challenges that lie ahead of us with the same determination as we had faced challenges of the past.

With best wishes for a joyful Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to teach each and everyone of you." /s/ John R. Haglelgam.



JAPAN OVERSEAS COOPERATION VOLUNTEERS - Posing for a group photo in the External Affairs Conference Room are the 6th group of Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV) from Japan to the FSM as technical cooperation of the Japan Government. From left to right, back row are: JOCV Coordinator Akio Yamamoto, Yap State Legislature Speaker Joseph Ayin, Deputy Chief of Asian Affairs Lorin Robert, Special Assistant to Yap Governor on Press and Research Ben Ruan Gimnang, and Chief, International Affairs J. Raglmar Subolmar. Second row, left to right are Ichiro Kohara whose expert is horticulture and is assisting Resources and Development, Yap; Reiko Imahori, midwife, Pohnpei Hospital; Jun-ichi Kimura, surveying, Conservation & Development (C&D), Kosrae; Shoko Morioka, public health, Health Services, Yap; Naomi Mashino, audio visual, C&D, Kosrae; and Tomomi Ishida, sports coach and assisting Kosrae Sports Council. Front row, sitting: Yumi Yasaka, Media Training, Youth & Civic Affairs, Yap; Hideyuki Yamashita, Marine Aquaculture, C&R Surveillance, Pohnpei; Acting Secretary of External Affairs Asterio Takesy, and Shoko Hayasaka, midwife, Kosrae Hospital.

Haglelgam signs 15 bills into law

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - President John R. Haglelgam signed 15 bills into law including P.L. 6-103 appropriating \$1,094,918 as supplemental funding for operating expenses of the Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, agencies of the National Government, Marine Surveillance Program, administration of projects, development projects, to reprogram certain funds previously appropriated for the Legislative Branch, and to modify employment ceilings; and also P.L. 6-97 appropriating \$200,000 to provide funds for political education on proposed amendments to the FSM Constitution adopted by the Constitutional Convention and the Congress, and to provide for National Government Assistance for political education for the proposed amendments to the FSM Constitution.

P.L. 6-92, to further amend P.L. No. 4-23 to modify the use of certain previously appropriated funds for Yap State public projects.

P.L. 6-93, to amend P.L. No. 6-88 to reappropriate certain vetoed funds for public projects in the Mid-Mortlocks.

P.L. 6-94, to amend P.L. 6-72 to modify the allocation of funds previously appropriated for elementary and secondary education related projects and programs in Chuuk State.

P.L. 6-95, to amend P.L. No. 6-88 to reallocate certain funds previously appropriated for public projects in the Mortlocks Islands of Chuuk State.

P.L. 6-96, to further amend P.L. No. 6-49 to change the use of funds appropriated thereunder, and to designate an allottee for a new project.

P.L. 6-97, to appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for political education on proposed amendments adopted by the

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Constitutional Convention.

P.L. 6-98, to further amend P.L. No. 5-89 to modify the uses of fund appropriated for public projects in Chuuk State.

P.L. 6-99, to further amend P.L. No. 6-49 to modify the use of funds appropriated for Chuuk State public projects.

P.L. 6-100, to amend P.L. 6-72 to modify the allocation of funds previously appropriated for elementary and secondary education and senior citizen health related projects and programs in Pohnpei State.

P.L. 6-101, to amend P.L. No. 6-74 to modify the use of certain previously appropriated funds for public projects in Pohnpei State, designate the allottees of new public projects, and appropriate \$30,000 for new projects.

P.L. 6-102, to further amend the FSM Code to provide that the Chief Justice may give special assignments from a roster of special Judges and Justices.

P.L. 6-104, to amend P.L. No. 6-24 to provide that the Convention shall propose amendments to the Constitution to be placed on a ballot for referendum to be held during the Special Election for the at-large Members of the Seventh Congress who will take the seat vacated by the Member of Congress elected as President.

P.L. 6-105, to further amend the FSM Code to provide that proposed Constitutional amendments which have been received by the President shall be printed on ballots to be voted on simultaneously by all FSM voters during a General Election for the Members of the FSM Congress or during a Special Election called by the President specifically for that purpose, unless the vote is called for a different date pursuant to law.

P.L. 6-106, to further amend P.L. No. 2-34 to change the purpose of the funds appropriated thereby for certain public projects, and to designate the allottee of a new public project in Chuuk State.

P.L. 6-107, to propose an amendment to section 9 (b) of Article XI of the FSM Constitution to provide a roster of special judges and justices for the Chief Justice for special assignments.

Conference on ANZUS relations held in Canberra, Australia ³

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Although relations between Australia, New Zealand and the United States (ANZUS) generally have been stable, their impact on the mounting importance of the Pacific area makes mutual understanding a top priority, according to a specialist at the East-West Center (EWC) in Honolulu, Hawaii, says a release from EWC.

"With the growing economic, political and strategic importance of this area of the world, and new fluidity in the southwest Pacific where the common interests of the three ANZUS partners most closely overlap, cooperation is more important today than ever," said EWC research associate who is coordinator of a conference on ANZUS relations held December 10-12 in Canberra, according to Richard Baker.

"Regional security and economic policies of the three countries, as well as the place of the Pacific Islands in their foreign policies in the decade of the 1990's and beyond, have been the focus of studies since 1988," Baker said.

At the meeting in Australia, Baker joined with political and economic experts from ANZUS countries in assessing the prospects for cooperation, the best avenues for coordinating such efforts, and the benefits and costs.

The participants discussed such questions as: how does each government assess the security outlook and major issues in the Asia-Pacific region in the 90's; what priority each gov-

ernment attaches to efforts to create a more cohesive set of economic consultative arrangements and institutions; and what is the place of the Pacific Islands in the foreign and regional policies of the three governments.

Baker said the joint project with the Australians and New Zealanders was divided into three phases: a conference in Honolulu that considered changes in the societies, politics and national images; a conference in Wellington that examined economic structures and relations, and the conference in Canberra on regional roles and relationships.

Coordinator of the EWC International Relations Program Charles Morrison joined Baker in sessions in Canberra. Participants are: from Australia; Michael McKinley, Graeme Chessman, William Sutherland, and Richard Leaver, Australian National University; Stewart Firth, Macquarie University; Joseph A. Camilleri, La Trobe University; Susan Allica, Australian Institute of International Affairs, and Garry Woodard of Victoria.

New Zealand: Stephen Hoadley, University of Auckland; Alistair Bisle, Ministry of External Relations and Trade; Gary R. Hawke, Victoria University of Wellington; Sir Wallace Rowling and John Henderson of Wellington; and Sue Wood of Auckland.

United States: James A. Kelly, political analyst, of Honolulu; Thomas A. Layman, VISA USA, San Francisco; Robert Kiste, University of Hawaii Center for Pacific Islands Studies; and Henry Albinski, Australia-New Zealand Studies Center, Pennsylvania State University.

4 FSM employees celebrated Holiday Seasons together

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - President John R. Haglelgam said, in a short remarks given during the FSM National Government employee's Christmas party held December 27, in front of the Mogethin and Wona buildings, "On behalf of the Vice President and myself, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Continuing he said, "This year we must celebrate, as we said at the beginning when the government was organized that we want to have all Government employees to get together. Today, we have a get together for all National Government employees."

Haglelgam said that it is a perfect time to celebrate an event which occurred the week before on Saturday afternoon (December 22) in New York and Sunday morning (December 23) here, the termination of the Trusteeship Agreement. "Our Nation (Federated States of Micronesia) now is a sovereign nation."

"We must now move to assert our sovereignty in other areas which we have not been able to assert due to the cloud of the Trusteeship hanging over us since we established this government," Haglelgam concluded.

The party which lasted for about two hours was attended by several hundred key staff and employees. A great variety of local and foreign dishes were served the Hawaiian style (self-service), topped with two large uhmw porks with crips-grease dripping meat cut to taste.

The Chairman of the Christmas party was Secretary of Human Resources Dr. Eliuel Pretrick.



FSM X-MAS PARTY - Enjoying the food and conversation during the FSM employee Christmas party held at the FSM Capital are from the front, clockwise, Mrs. Merihne Iehsi, Post Master General Bethwei Henry, Special Assistants to the President Chutomu Nimwes and Luey K. Luey, President John R. Haglelgam, Secretary of Resources and Development Marcelino Aktouka, Deputy Secretary of Finance Ihlen Joseph, and Mrs. Marihne Henry.



CUTTING THE CAKE - Secretary of the Department of Human Resources Dr. Eliuel Pretrick who is the chairman of the holiday party for FSM employees cuts the large cake with writings, "Happy Holidays to FSM employees." Standing beside Pretrick is his wife Mrs. Kesia Pretrick.

CFSM adjourned 3rd Special Session

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - FSM Congress Speaker Jack Fritz called the Third Special Session of the Sixth Congress to convene, upon written request of two-thirds of the Members of Congress, to continue work on the many important legislative matters, pending before the Congress. Congress took action on other bills and resolutions, but did not act on the renomination of Acting Secretary of External Affairs Asterio Takesy as Secretary of External Affairs and the nomination for Andon Amaraich to the position of Associate Justice for the Supreme Court which was differed during the last Regular Session.

The following bills and resolutions were passed and adopted:

C.B. 6-69 CD2, a bill to repeal chapter 10 of Title 53 of the Code, to add a

new chapter strictly to define fiduciary duties, responsibilities and qualifications under the Social Security Act, and expand the scope of authorized investments that may be made by the Social Security Board with the assets of the Social Security Retirement fund.

C.B. 6-225 CD2, providing for paroles and their revocation.

C.B. 6-227 CD2, to appropriate \$8 million of the IDF to further capitalize the fund, to authorize the FDA to make final approval decisions with respect to private-sector reserve, and to authorize the public corporations to apply to private sector reserve funds.

C.B. 6-282 CD4, to amend the FSM Constitution to provide that all members of Congress shall be elected for a 4-year term and that only at-large mem-

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bers shall be eligible to be President and Vice President.

C.B. 6-328 CD1, to modify the allotment of funds previously appropriated for education related projects and programs in Chuuk State.

C.B. 6-330 CD1, to appropriate \$500,000 into the Disaster Relief Fund to be used in connection with damages sustained by the islands in Chuuk and Yap as a result of Typhoon Owen.

C.B. 6-332 CD2, to amend the FSM Code to increase the permissible expenditures of the Employees' Health Insurance Fund.

C.B. 6-333, to re-appropriate \$25,297 for certain public projects in Kitti and Madolenihmw.

C.B. 6-334 CD2, to further amend P.L. No. 6-49, to re-allocate for typhoon relief needs certain funds previously appropriated for public projects in Pattiw, Weito, and the Halls of Chuuk State.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED:

C.R. 6-136, to authorize the FSM President to resubmit the nomination of Asterio Takesy as Secretary of the Department of External Affairs.

C.R. 6-138, to describe the method of distributing between Yap and Pohnpei States the goods and services made available under the 1990-1991 Goods and Services Agreement between the MMA and the four Japanese Fisheries Associations. The resolution is giving approximately \$250,000 in goods and services each to Yap and Pohnpei States.

BILLS INTRODUCED:

C.B. 6-153, to require the President to consult with Congress its appropriate committee in the process of extending formal diplomatic recognition to foreign governments.

C.B. 6-200, authorizing the Attorney General to deputize law enforcement officers and exempting them from the provisions of the FSM Code.

C.B. 6-329, to correct a technical error in the FY 1991 executive bill to appropriate \$500,000 into the Disaster Relief Fund to be used in connection with damages sustained by the islands of Chuuk and Yap as a result of Typhoon Owen.

C.B. 6-331, adjusting the salaries of Marine Surveillance employees while at sea.

C.B. 6-335, to require that FSM citi-

zens comprise at least ten percent of the crew of any commercial shipping line serving the FSM.

C.B. 6-336, to reduce the import taxes on medicine intended for resale from the current level of three percent ad valorem to one percent ad valorem.

C.B. 6-337, to appropriate \$2.14 million for social and economic projects in Chuuk State.

C.B. 6-338, creating an office of Congressional Relations in the executive branch and to appropriate \$30,000 for its operations for FY 1991.

C.B. 6-339, appropriating \$500,000 for economic, social and infrastructure development projects in Chuuk State.

C.B. 6-340, to appropriate \$750,000 for public projects in Kosrae.

C.B. 6-341, to appropriate \$1 million for public projects in Yap State.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED:

C.R. 6-137, requesting the President and External Affairs to seek economic assistance from South Korea and Taiwan.

C.R. 6-139, confirming the nomination of Asterio Takesy as Secretary of External Affairs.

FSM received about \$1M from catches made in EEZ

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The Micronesian Maritime Authority (MMA) reported that the FSM has received its share of about \$1 million for payment of catches made in the FSM's Exclusive Economic Zone under the Multilateral Treaty with the United States.

This year's (1989-1990) share of the proceeds is approximately nine percent of the reported total U.S. vessels operating under the treaty. In the previous year 1988-1989, the FSM received approximately \$2 million.

The Fishing Treaty which involved several American Purse Seiners began in June of 1988 and will continue for a period of five years. The arrangement involves the members of South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency, the FSM, and the United

States.

The agreement specified that the U.S. vessels operating under the treaty are responsible for reporting exactly in which country's economic zone their catches were made during the course of fishing year. This data is collected and is used as the basis of distribution for 85 percent of the fees received among the member countries. At the end of each fishing agreement year, the fees collected are distributed among the member countries according to the percentage of catches made in their zones.

MMA spokesman said that the Purse Seine Fishery had shifted East of the FSM Fisheries Zone into Kiribati and more Eastern Pacific island nations and thus a higher percentage of catches were made in those zones.

In another news, the MMA and the Korean Deep Sea Fishing Associations and the Taiwan Fishing Associations still have not been able to resolve their differences on the terms of the new Fishing Agreements. No negotiation is being planned for the immediate future.

With regard to the proposed agreement with the Korean Fishing Deep Sea Associations, which was recently rejected by the FSM Congress in its Fourth Regular Session, was a provision for the provision of catch data on the high seas, which the Government of the Republic of Korea did not agree.

Because there is no agreement between the MMA and the fishing associations from Korea and Taiwan, that revenue from fishing rights fee is expected to fall below the last year's level.

6 30th South Pacific Conference held in New Caledonia

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NOUMEA, New Caledonia, (FSMINFORMATIONSERVICE)

- Even the rain could not mar the festive atmosphere of the opening ceremony of the 30th South Pacific Conference, at the Ko We Kara Cultural Center in Noumea, New Caledonia, according to a special release from the 30th South Pacific Conference.

A truly Pacific feeling prevailed throughout the ceremony, which was attended by high-level delegations from all South Pacific Commission (SPC) countries and territories. The flags of the SPC members were solemnly raised by children to the sound of the national anthem as the leaders of delegations arrived. A special SPC anthem composed for the occasion by the Territorial Authorities of New Caledonia heralded the arrival of the High Commissioner of France in New Caledonia, Bernard Grasset, the chairman of the South Pacific Conference Lorenzo I. de Leon Guerrero, and the SPC Secretary General Atanraoi Baiteke.

Following an invocation by Archbishop Michel Calvet of Noumea, Grasset and Guerrero successively addressed the conference.

Grasset, after welcoming all members of the South Pacific delegation to New Caledonia, alluded to the signing of the Matignon Accords and their successful implementation in New Caledonia. He emphasized the foremost role played by SPC in economic, social and cultural cooperation, as well as the democratic nature of the organization. He stressed that, "our children must be our first priority," in facing the many challenges of the future, particularly with respect to education and health issues. Finally he referred to the reasons why the headquarters of the organization should remain in Noumea and reit-

erated the commitment of New Caledonia and France to the organization.

Guerrero indicated that, as chairman of the conference he had a personal commitment to ensure, "that the Commission continues to be efficient and effective in its delivery of services to all member countries." He drew attention to the vast expansion of the SPC's programs and the funding difficulties legitimate financial constraints of the member countries, while noting that this expansion depicts, "the vibrancy and dynamism of the Commission." He expressed confidence that the conference would find a solution to the dilemma and urged all members to focus on this important issue during their deliberations. He suggested that one solution might be to approach non-traditional donors. He also alluded to the decision to be taken by the conference on the reconstruction of headquarters with respect to the site and funding, and expressed optimism that SPC would continue to uphold its integrity and credibility over the next four decades."

The Secretary-General of SPC referred to the many programs implemented by organization which has for the past 43 years, "devoted itself to the task of harnessing our resources." He indicated that the needs of the people of the region were many and that the natural and human resources of the region were limited, stressing in particular the need for generous financial assistance and the wise use of financial resources. He noted that the struggle against AIDS were the special theme of this conference in view of its, "threat to the health and well-being of our people." Finally, he invited the members present to attend the official opening of the Women's Handicraft Exhibition in the after-

noon and thanked the local authorities for their valuable assistance in the organization of this conference.

A blessing by the Archbishop of Noumea added a note of solemnity to the happy atmosphere of this Pan-Pacific event to which the SPC choir, consisting of staff members and spouses, contributed in no small way.

The regional flavor of the ceremony was enhanced by the participation of various dancing groups from different traditions and cultures coexisting in New Caledonia. The delegations were entertained by the children of Tcho-Era, and traditional dancing group from the Island of Mare, as well as Tahitian dances by the Maeva Nui Group, the students of the Indonesian Consulated Dance School, and the children of Pacific My Home, who interpreted Wallisian songs and dances.



PRESENTING INCENTIVE AWARD - Director of the Office of Administrative Services Kohne K. Ramon, far right is presenting a \$500 award check to Audit Manager Scott M. Larson, far left, in the Office of FSM Public Auditor. Witnessing the presentation are, from left to right: Senior Auditor Haser Hainrick, and FSM Public Auditor Jack E. Yakana. Larson was given the award pursuant to the Incentive Award Program of the FSM National Public Service System in recognition of his outstanding professional performance of his duties to the National Government. The award was granted to Larson based on recommendations given by Yakana.

Tridacna gigas has been reintroduced to FSM

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PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Tridacna gigas, the largest and most heavy marine invertebrate in Micronesia and the largest species of clam, has been reintroduced to FSM by the Department of Resources and Development, according to Marine Resources Administrator Mike Gawel.

This gigantic clam grows up to four feet in diameter and is commonly found in the FSM waters as dead fossils. It appears to have

been driven to extinction by over harvesting, centuries ago. However, it still survives in various islands of the Marshalls and Palau.

The FSM National Government has arranged to purchase 10,000 young Tridacna gigas from the Micronesian Mariculture Center in Palau. These will be available for conservation and reintroduction of the species in the waters of the four states. They are presently being held in seawater tanks at the Aquaculture Center in

Kosrae until they are large enough to be set out in cages on the reefs and saved from predators.

This species is one of the ones that will be produced at the FSM Aquaculture Center. They are valued not only as a preferred local food but also brings a high price in overseas markets, where they are sold fresh, frozen, pickled, dried and as a live aquarium pet while shells are marketed as curious and medical ingredients.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The FSM Department of Resources and Development (R&D) is announcing to all FSM Foreign Investment Permit Holders and FSM Corporations, that they are required by Title 32, Chapter 2, section 220 to submit an annual report.

The annual reports shall cover the following:

Every licensee shall file an annual report with the Secretary of R&D in such form as he may prescribe by regulation, which are available at the R&D, containing a full and accurate statement of business activities undertaken by the licensee in the FSM, a profit and loss statement, and an update statement of information provided in the original permit application, which report shall be due within sixty days immediately following the end of the licensee's financial year.

Every licensee shall advise the Secretary of R&D of any change in the financial year used by the licensee within sixty days of the change.

Every corporation shall file along with the annual report a list containing the names and citizenship of each stockholder and the number of and aggregate value of share held by each stockholder.

The following should also be included in the annual report:

The transfer of equity participation from a citizen to a non-citizen regardless of amount.

The acquisition or retirement by a corporation of its share of stock from a citizen to a non-citizen regardless of amount.

The acquisition or retirement by a corporation of its share of stock from citizen, such as that the equity, participation of non-citizen therein is increased relative to citizen participation.

It is requested that every FSM Foreign Investment Permit Holder, every corporation either profit or non-profit to inform the FSM Registrar of Corporations the date of its fiscal year. You may write direct or call the FSM Registrar of Corporation on Phone (691) 320-2646.

Failure to submit annual reports for two consecutive years may be a good cause for losing an FSM Foreign Investment Permit or dissolving any corporation.

8 Orlando wins Pohnpei Christmas Card Contest

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PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - An eight grader from Sapwalap Elementary School was the grand prize winner in this year's 8th annual Christmas Card Design Contest for Pohnpei students.

Johsy Orlando was presented with the \$50 prize by Governor Resio S. Moses on December 18, during a ceremony held in the Governor's Conference Room, according to the coordinator of the contest Pohnpei State First Lady Susan Moses.

Orlando's drawing, which has been made the Pohnpei State Governor's and Lt. Governor's official 1990 Christmas Card has a theme of, "giving to others," and it depicts a bright Christmas day with the sun over the mountains and pine along with coconut trees decked with Christmas decorations dominate the background with a family house front yard filled with people in festive mood, getting ready to begin Christmas day with several activities in gathering to give and preparation of food, sakau in a Pohnpeian family Christmas feast.

Other first place winners received \$25 cash awards; \$15 to second place winners, and \$10 to the third place winners.

Category I: Kindergarten through second grade, Terlihner Lukner, grade 2, Sapwalap elementary School, first prize; Virginia Barna-



POHNPEI STATE CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN CONTEST WINNER - This scene depicting activities in food gathering and preparation and exchanging of gifts in a Pohnpeian family Christmas feast in a setting with others in the Nahs, pounding sakau and others preparing food, with many people around to celebrate Christmas, won the grand prize for Sapwalap Elementary School eight grader Johsy Orlando in the 8th Annual Pohnpei State Christmas Card Design Contest. The design is featured on the official 1990 Christmas card for Governor and Mrs. Resio S. Moses and Lt. Governor and Mrs. Johnny David.

bas, grade 2, Seinwar Elementary School, second prize; Sonper Kalio, grade 2, Lukop Elementary School, third prize.

Category II: third to fifth grades, Antrek Amor, grade 5, Temwen, first prize; Brandon Saimwoan, grade 5, Ohmine Elementary School, second prize; Yoon Chunn, grade 4, Ohmine Elementary School, third prize.

Category III: grades sixth through eighth, Kenny Sam, a 6th grader at Sapwehrek Elementary School won first prize; Carter Elias, an 8th grader

at Sapwalap School got the second prize; and Alex Nanpei, grade 7, Seventh Day Adventist School, third prize.

Category IV: This is the high School age contestants, and first prize went to Danser Umed, a senior at Ponape Agriculture & Trade School (PATS); 2nd place went to Alfonso Alfred, a resident of Sokehs Pah; and 3rd place winner is Mark Pong, a freshmen at PATS. According to the coordinator of the contest this will be the last Christmas Card Contest.

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