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FSM anti-nuclear policy reaffirmed by governors

Development authority approved

KOLONIA, Ponape - The FSM Chief Executives approved and signed here Oct. 12 an Agreement on Internal Budget and Finance Procedures under the Compact of Free Association which includes creation of a Federated Development Authority for centralized investment of Compact funds.

The FSM policy against nuclear dumping in the Pacific was unanimously reaffirmed Oct. 10 during opening session of the Sixth Chief Executives Conference here.

Ponape Gov. Resio Moses is chairman of the conference which is being attended by President Tosiwo Nakayama and governors Erhart Aten of Truk, John Mangefel of Yap and Yosiwo George of Kosrae and is scheduled to continue through Oct. 17.

The budget procedures agreement was finalized during an Oct. 1-5 state-national Budget Officers Conference in Ponape which was chaired by Congress Budget Officer Tom Bussanich and attended by FSM Budget Officer Del Pangelinan and state budget officers Frank Lonno of Kosrae, Leo Delarosa of Yap, Nick Andon of Truk and Ihlen Joseph of Ponape.

The internal budget and finance procedures agreement became binding upon its execution by the Chief Executives and will go into

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SIXTH CHIEF EXECUTIVES CONFERENCE - Ponape Gov. Resio Moses, back to camera, is chairing the opening session Oct. 10 of the Sixth FSM Chief Executives Conference in the Ocean View Restaurant in Ponape. At his left are, from left, Ponape State Health Services Director Alex Panuelo, Special Assistant to the Kosrae Governor Hiroshi Ismael, Ponape Federal Affairs Director Santiago Joab, Kosrae Budget Officer Frank Lonno and Kosrae Gov. Yosiwo George. FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama is seated at the center table, flanked by External Affairs Secretary Andon Amaraich, left, and Finance Secretary Al Tuuth, right. At right are Truk Gov. Erhart Aten, right, and Yap Gov. John Mangefel.

Fishing goods division resubmitted

KOLONIA, Ponape (Congress Release) - Resolutions to confirm nominations of state election commissioners and distribute goods and services available under the new fishing agreement with Japan were introduced during the first week of the Third FSM Congress fourth regular session which began Oct. 9 and is scheduled to end Nov. 7.

Floor Leader John Haglegam of Yap introduced by request the resolutions seeking confirmation of Iskia Sony of Truk, Francis Defnigin of Yap, Samson Alpet of Pon-

ape and Fred Skilling of Kosrae as state election commissioners.

The Judiciary and Governmental Operations Committee will hold an Oct. 16 public hearing to examine the qualifications of the nominees.

Senator Raymond Setik of Truk introduced the resolution to distribute the 60-million-yen goods and services agreement recently concluded between the Micronesian Maritime Authority and the Federation of Japan Tuna Fisheries Cooperation Associations, the Nat-

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Nakasone cites APPU importance

KOLONIA, Ponape - Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone cited the importance of the Asian-Pacific Parliamentarians' Union as a possible means of communicating with his office, during his unofficial visit Sept. 28 with the three Micronesian presidents, according to FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama.

"Nakasone hinted that the APPU has direct communications with his office and suggested that the Micronesian governments take advantage of the opportunity," Nakayama said.

FSM Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry, who attended the 45-minute meeting with Nakayama and presidents Amata Kabua of the Marshall Islands and Haruo Remeliik of Palau in Nakasone's residence, said the prime minister called it "the beginning of a new era between Japan and the three Micronesian governments," according to a Pacific Daily News report.

Nakayama said that the meeting was historic in the sense that it was the first meeting of a Japan-

ese prime minister with the presidents of the three emerging Micronesian nations.

The Speaker and three presidents visited Japan at the invitation of the APPU national group and Asian Friendship Association.

The three presidents hosted a reception Sept. 29 in the Keio Plaza Hotel in Tokyo for the diplomatic corps there, Diet members and Japanese businessmen which was attended by 240 people, including U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield, according to FSM Tokyo Liaison Officer Jesse Raglmar.

Addressing the reception, Nakayama introduced Raglmar and said, "Because my government attaches great importance to the strengthening of our friendly relationship with Japan, thus I am happy to inform your excellencies that the Federated States of Micronesia has established a small and modest office in Tokyo to assure sustained and expeditious exchange of economic information between Japan and the (FSM)."

Congress gets fishing goods proposal

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ional Offshore Tuna Fisheries Association of Japan, the Japan Far Seas Purse Seine Fishing Association and the Federation of North Pacific District Purse Seine Fisheries Co-operative Association of Japan using the formula agreed to by the national and state governments for distribution of funds under the Compact of Free Association.

The resolution would divide the money giving Kosrae 7.68 million yen, Ponape 17.28 million yen, Truk 25.86 million yen and Yap 9.18 million yen.

During the third special session in August, a committee report on a resolution dividing the goods and services was defeated due to disagreement over the distribution formula.

Senator Elias Thomas of Ponape and 10 other members introduced a resolution expressing concern over the sudden illness of Senator Kalisto Refalopei of Truk who was admitted Oct. 9 to the Ponape State Hospital reportedly suffering chest pains. Refalopei remained in the hospital for observation and treatment.

Also introduced by Senator Isaac Figir of Yap was a resolution requesting the FSM President to initiate discussions with Republic of China and its fishing industry officials to eliminate the frequent recurrence of illegal fishing activities in FSM waters

by Taiwanese vessels.

The resolution cites the recent seizure of two Taiwanese boats fishing illegally in FSM waters and notes complaints which by the Yap state government has received from its outer islands residents regarding foreign purse seiners and longliners sighted apparently fishing illegally within the state's waters.

In other action, the Congress filed a bill to increase Social Security quarterly taxable wages, the minimum quarters of coverage and the penalty for delinquent employers.

It adopted a resolution expressing sympathy and condolences for the death of Ponape Lt. Gov. Strik Yoma.

Agriculture fair set

LELU, Kosrae - The second annual Kosrae Agricultural Fair is scheduled for Dec. 7 at the State Agriculture Station in Tofol, according to State Information Officer Alex Phillip.

The first Kosrae Agriculture Fair was held Dec. 9, 1983, in conjunction with the dedication of the new airport and dock in Tafunsak.

Competition will be held for crops including limes, oranges; tangerines; different varieties of bananas, breadfruit, coconuts, taro and yams; potatoes; copra; sugarcane, and tapioca, and for the heaviest pigs and chickens.

Health care Plan endorsed

KOLONIA, Ponape - State and national health service officials endorsed the proposed National Health Care Plan during a workshop held here Sept. 24-27, according to an FSM Health Insurance Committee member.

The plan, which includes universal coverage of all FSM residents and payroll deductions to cover the premiums, was scheduled to be considered during the Sixth Chief Executives' Conference being held Oct. 10-17 in Ponape.

The health service officials recommended that the plan be implemented over a three-year period and that the present committee be expanded to include state officials, according to the committee member.

"If the Chief Executives endorse the concept of the NHCP, the committee will recommend its own expansion to that of a state-national task force to 1) refine and revise parts of the proposal and draft legislation, 2) review and revise the draft regulations currently under review by the present committee and 3) outline specific steps necessary for the NHCP's full implementation," the committee member said.

FSM Health Services Chief Eluel Pretrick said the plan will improve the health care delivery system by providing additional revenue to cover medical referrals which would have to be certified by physicians and paid for from the insurance premiums, rather than from hospital operations funds.

In addition to Pretrick, the workshop was attended by Lynnette Araki and Amado Elymore of the FSM Health Services Division; state health services directors Mary Figir of Yap and Dr. Alexander Panuelo of Ponape; Truk State Hospital Administrator Gary Stovall; Kosrae State Health Planner Livingston Taulang; FSM Budget Officer and Health Insurance Committee Chairman Del Pangelinan; Assistant Budget Officer Ross Crowlet, and Northern Marianas Health Planner Juan Babauta who attended as an observer.

Andrew gets CD post

LELU, Kosrae - Former Utwa elementary school teacher Natchuo Andrew was appointed Kosrae State Community Development Officer effective Oct. 1, replacing Donald Joiah who became a full-time state legislator, according to a Kosrae State Release.

Truk leaders seek FSM medical school

MOEN, Truk - A resolution urging the President and other state leaders to change the site of the proposed FSM medical training school from Ponape to Truk was among 19 adopted during the Third Truk State Leadership Conference here Aug. 30-Sept. 5.

Resolutions supporting bills pending in the FSM Congress to establish a Federal Monetary Authority and to change the income tax revenue distribution formula from 50-50 to 80 per cent state, 20 per cent national government, were approved during the conference attended by top executive, legislative and judicial officials, according to State Information Officer Dechuo Jain.

Other resolutions adopted:

Seek Truk power plant supplemental funding, propose a joint state fiscal affairs committee, support retaining a firm to study the state government organization and salary structures, support Truk participation in the upcoming Pacific Arts Festival in New Caledonia and ask the FSM Telecommunications Corp. to install two frequencies for Truk health program exclusive use.

Also, express sympathy and condolences to the family of the late Ponape Lt. Gov. Strik Yoma who was found dead Sept. 2 in Honolulu, request funds to implement the Drafft Truk State Constitution education program, endorse the outer islands root crops development project, support state immigration and labor control and support a proposed new state-national law enforcement agreement while requesting funds to implement it.

Also, support legislation regarding state government officials holding municipal offices; support extending the municipal funds expiration date from Sept. 30, 1984, until the funds are available, and ask the legislature to defer proposed excise tax bill action until amendments are incorporated.

Also, support creating a state joint legal matters committee, request a meeting between the Bank of Guam president and top state officials, and amend the state election law to replace the lieutenant governor as the election commission and give municipal governments full municipal elections responsibilities.

Development authority approved

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effect on the effective date of the Compact.

The agreement establishes a schedule for submitting three-year budget estimates and for the draw-down and allocation of Compact funds.

The agreement also provides for financial management and reporting systems which include the President transferring to the Federated Development Authority all capital account funds received from the U.S. under the Compact and authorized by the governors for investment purposes.

The development authority investment funds will be management by the FSM Finance Secretary based on policies set by the authority's board of directors which will include the President and four governors.

Seek all U.S. programs

KOIONIA, Ponape - A unified position recommending that all U.S. federally-funded programs be continued under the Compact of Free Association was reached during a Sept. 25-26 Ponape State Leadership Conference, according to a State Information Office release.

Gov. Resio Moses was to present Ponape positions to the Sixth FSM Chief Executives Conference to be held here Oct. 9-17.

A Ponape position on internal budget and financial procedures under the Compact was to be finalized by Oct. 1, according to State Planning, Programming, Budget and Statistics Administrator Ihlen Joseph.

Ponape will receive more than \$8.2 million in fiscal 1984 federal funds, including \$3.5 million in Farmers Home Administration funds for rural development and \$3.4 million from the U.S. Education Department which provides for employment of 335 Ponapeans.

Other federal programs which the Ponape leaders want continued are health services, Community Action Agency, Head Start, Legal Service Corp., Upward Bound, Micronesia Bound, Community Development Block Grants and the Job Training Partnership Act.

None of these programs are continued under the Compact, but the U.S. Senate is considering a joint resolution to enact the Compact which would continue the FHIA, Legal Services and National Health Services Corps programs, according to the release.

The agreement states that the purpose of the authority "is to provide an effective institutional framework for the establishment of overall development goals, policies and strategies of the nation;" to rationalize and coordinate development efforts, "so that state and national development programs will be complementary and mutually supportive," and to share information and technical resources "to ensure adequate program and project evaluation, design and implementation."

The anti-nuclear dumping resolution cites the marine environment as the nation's most valuable resource which is essential to preserve for the benefit of Micronesians; the FSM Constitution prohibition against radioactive and other harmful substance testing, storage, use and disposal within its jurisdiction without expressed national government approval; the inability of the world-wide nuclear industry to provide technically feasible safeguards against contamination, and the right of people in the FSM and Pacific basin to "enjoy peaceful social and economic development free from the threat of environmental pollution."

The resolution reaffirms the FSM constitutional opposition to intentional dumping and storage within its waters and opposition to "the disposal, discharge or storage of nuclear wastes or other substances anywhere within the Pacific basin."

The Chief Executives agreed to the continuation of the U.S. military Civic Action Teams in 1985 as part of an agenda which includes the National Development Plan working draft and the proposed National Health Care Plan.

It also includes national criminal code amendments, health care management and supplies procurement, medical referrals, Compact lobbying and transition issues, Community College of Micronesia status under the Compact of Free Association, computer information transmission, state communications transmission, telecommunications, environmental protection, immigration and labor law, civic action project funds management and accounting air transportation and the proposed Federal Development Authority and others.

The conference was scheduled originally to begin at 1 p.m. Oct. 9 and was postponed to 9:30 a.m. Oct. 10.

CCM Nursing School graduates 12

KOLONIA, Ponape - The Community College of Micronesia Nursing School in Saipan graduated 12 students on Sept. 23 and accepted 17 new students as of June 23, according to its director, June Oliver.

The 12 graduates are Theresita Aderiano, Rose Mary Mechol, Ingeang Rimirch, Spis Sakuma and Anastacia Silas of Palau; Lillian Edwin, Roslin Sigrah and Carollee Timothy of Kosrae; Lorenzo Haley-aluo of Yap, and May Ann Jano, Nancy Lynn Jano and Mildren Scallien of Ponape.

The 17 new students are Ator-fine John and Regina Poll of Ponape; Ken Jetton and Charlotte Markoro of the Marshalls, Nikolina Kaliga, Tionica Rain and Percy Pitiof of Truk; Kum Mongkeya, Remina Tara, Kenye Timothy and Rollinson Neth of Kosrae; Kelly McAr-

tor of the U.S.; Sonia Somorang, Maria Torres and Elizabeth Muna of Saipan; Isabelita Rengechel of Palau, and Adela Pelen of the Philippines.

"Of the 12 graduating, five anticipate working in Saipan and seven will return to their home island," Mrs. Oliver said in a Sept. 11 report to the College of Micronesia Board of Regents.

"Some would like to return to work at home, but their governments have not appropriated funds for the nursing positions they wish to fill," she said.

Mrs. Oliver, a former University of Guam nursing instructor, became the CCM Nursing School director officially on July 30, replacing Virginia Levesque, who resigned to return to the U.S. mainland.

She is a graduate of Ohio State University with a BS and the University of Alabama with an MS in nursing and is a licensed nurse practitioner who has worked throughout the world and help establish a nursing school at the Pensacola, Florida, Christian College, before going to Guam.

Catholic school opens

KOLONIA, Ponape - More than 100 parents, friends and dignitaries, including President and Mrs. Tosiwo Nakayama attended the Sept. 19 opening ceremony and mass for the new Pohnpei Catholic School in Condon Hall at the Catholic Church here.

The school has an initial enrollment of 87 students in kindergarten through the fifth grade, using the facilities of Our Lady of Mercy School which was closed in 1978, and plans to add higher grades each year, according to Kikuo Apis, chairman of the task force which organized and raised funds for the new school.

The Pohnpei Catholic School was established six months after the parents group petitioned Ponape Catholic leaders and the Most Rev. Martin J. Neylon, Bishop of the Caroline and Marshall Islands who made an initial contribution of \$8,000 to help start it up.

Addressing the opening ceremony, Apis said that he hopes the enrollment will grow and the parents will continue to support the school to guarantee quality education. He also urged the parents "not to forget that education begins at home."

The Rev. Joseph Cavanagh, S.J., Kolonia-Nett-Sokhs Catholic pastor, joined Apis, Task Force Vice Chairman Yasuo Yamada and Paula Edmund, principal of the school, in welcoming the parents and students.

The Rev. Edward Soucie, S.J., Kolonia-Nett-Sokehs assistant pastor, and the Rev. John F. Curran, Superior of Micronesian Jesuits, concelebrated the mass.

Xavier begins year

With 133 students

MOEN, Truk - Xavier High School began its 1985 fall term Sept. 3 with 133 students and a new acting director, the Rev. Donald Devine, who until June served as superintendent of eight Jesuit high schools in New York, New Jersey and Puerto Rico, according to Xavier Media Consultant Christine Grieco.

The 1984-85 student body includes 31 seniors, 27 juniors, 35 sophomores and 40 freshmen. Palau is represented by five students; Yap, 31; Truk, 43; Ponape, 31; Marshall Islands, 12, and Kiribati, 11.

Father Devine replaced the Rev. Bill Rakowicz, S.J., who is on leave of absence for a nine-month tertian-ship studies program in Manila.

James Mormad of Yap, a 1969 Xavier graduate is principal of the Jesuit school here.

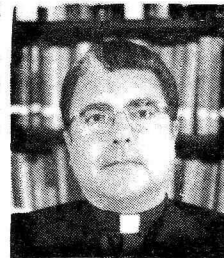
Father Devine was superintendent of the eight Jesuit high school for five years, after serving as a Buffalo, New York, high school principal; English and religion instructor, guidance counselor, underprivileged tutoring program director and summer school principal in Brooklyn, New York, and Fordham University, New York City, teaching methods instructor.

He was graduated from Xavier High School, New York City; attended St. Peter's College, Jersey City, New Jersey, and received BA and MA degrees in English from Fordham University and a Ph.D. in philosophy from Woodstock College through Loyola College, Shrub Oak, New York.

He also completed advanced studies in journalism at Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; theology at Woodstock; tertian-ship at St. Beuno's, Wales, and English at the University of London and Fordham.

44 Kosraeans accepted

LELU, Kosrae - Forty-four Kosraean students were accepted by the Micronesian Occupational College and were scheduled to be in Palau, Aug. 13-17, for orientation, Community College of Micronesia Continuing Education Center Coordinator Shra Monkeya reported, according to a Kosrae State Release.



DEVINE

MTAP graduates 17

KOLONIA, Ponape - Eleven of 17 FSM graduates Sept. 28 of the Micronesian Trades Apprenticeship Program received associate degrees in applied science from Central Texas College which provided academic subjects for the two-year program, according to national government Personnel Officer Kohne Ramon.

Ramon stated during the Sept. 28 graduation ceremony in the Naval Station Chapel in Guam which he attended on behalf of President Tosiwo Nakayama that "today, thanks to the training efforts such as the MTAP and the able supervision by the Navy Apprenticeship Program, the Federated States of Micronesia will now have 37 Department of Labor certified journeymen in 14 trade areas."

The 11 FSM graduates receiving associate degrees are Richard Alex, Nixon Anson, Dackson Solomon and Winfred Yamada of Ponape; Husser Slander, Sona Esemantau, Kenruo Nero and Naimon Suda of Truk; Joseph Falmel of Yap, and Solomon Monkeya and Vernon Youngstrom of Kosrae.

Other FSM graduates of the MTAP program were Jesse Garbuwaath and Justin Yilubwag of Yap, Sontag Martin of Truk, Johnson Martin of Truk and Carroon Sigrah of Kosrae.

Regents approve media training, delay COM posts

KOLONIA, Ponape - The College of Micronesia Board of Regents approved a new media training program for the Community College of Micronesia, during its Oct. 2-5 quarterly meeting here, according to Acting COM Rector Alfred Capelle of the Marshall Islands.

The regents deferred to their Jan. 21 meeting in Ponape selection of a COM executive director to replace Loren Peterson whose contract ends Oct. 17, election of a rector who serves as board chairman and final action on the fiscal 1985 COM budget, Capelle said.

A committee which includes regents Claude Phillip of Kosrae, Damian Sohl of Ponape and Bernard Helgenberger, the High Commissioners appointee, plus Peterson was named to review all applications for executive director and make final recommendations prior to the January meeting.

COM Development Officer Singeru Singeo will continue as acting executive director until the replacement is in office, according to Capelle, and Peterson as executive director pro tem until the application review is completed.

The review committee and acting executive director also will select and hire a COM personnel officer, after consultation with the board.

The media training program is scheduled to begin in the fall, 1985, when COM switches from quarter to semester terms, if outside funding is obtained to provide two instructors and equipment for the program.

The proposal for a mass communications curriculum in print and broadcast journalism and permanent Micronesian Media Training Center at COM was made by the FSM Information Advisor Tom Bryan on behalf of the Micronesian Information and Broadcast Association (MIBA) which was organized here in May and approved by the COM Curriculum Committee, COM President Catalino Cantero and COM Chief Executive's Committee before going to the regents.

The use of KPON FM radio station here as the COM broadcast training facility was made available by COM Regent Helgenberger and is included in the mass communications proposal.

Attends soil forum

LELU, Kosrae - Assistant Kosrae State Agriculture Chief Glasstine Cornelius attended a Sept. 3-14 International Forum on Soil Taxonomy and Agrotechnology in Guam, according to a Kosrae State Release.

In addition to the college curriculum, the COM facilities could be used for annual training workshops for MIBA members and other personnel working in FSM, Marshalls and Palau information and broadcast offices.

Students in the COM mass communications program would be able to specialize in print, or broadcast journalism and would receive an Associate of Arts degree in liberal arts upon completion of the two-year curriculum which includes advanced courses normally offered at the junior and senior level in U.S. four-year journalism programs.

Prospective mass communications students throughout Micronesia are encouraged to write to Dr. Cantero, P.O. Box 159, Kolonia, Ponape FSM 96941, for further information and to be advised on the development of the program.

In other action the regents:

-Adopted a 1985 calendar with

quarterly meetings on Jan. 21, April 22, July 22 and Oct. 21 with the first meeting to be in Ponape and the remaining sites to be determined.

-Unanimously approved the use of Micronesian Occupational College facilities in Palau for the proposed Micronesian Police Academy.

-Approved implementation of the semester system in the 1985 fall 1985 term at the COM Nursing School in Saipan.

-Directed a curriculum assessment, graduate follow-up and financial budget projections to improve nursing program standards.

-Declared the executive director's office the clearing house for all position papers on COM's future under the Compacts of Free Association for the FSM, Marshalls and Palau.

-Acknowledged the Marshall Islands government invitation to consider expanding the Continuing Education Center program there to include nursing, vocational education and related instruction.

-Approved proposed MOC missions and goals statements for adoption and requested an Implementation and Evaluation Plan and action plan for campus living and social conditions by the January meeting.

Scholarships awarded

LELU, Kosrae - Scholarships were awarded Sept. 21 by the Kosrae State Scholarship Board to Dawson Nena to study business law at Hawaii Pacific College; Palokoa Tara, biology, University of Hawaii, Hilo; Marris Jackson, criminal justice, Chaminade College, Hawaii, and Shamger William, civil engineering, University of Hawaii, according to a Kosrae State Release.



COM REGENTS MEET - The College of Micronesia Board of Regents is opening its fourth 1985 quarterly meeting Oct. 2 in the new College of Tropical Agriculture and Science conference room located in the renovated Ponape State Forestry Station. From left clockwise at the table are outgoing COM Executive Director Loren Peterson, Regent John Salas of Guam, Regent Damian Sohl of Ponape, Community College of Micronesia Nursing School Director June Oliver, Regent Bernard Helgenberger of Ponape, Regent Sebastian Anefal of Yap, Acting Rector Alfred Capelle of the Marshall Islands and Sue Ikertang, secretary to the executive director. From left in the background are COM Acting Executive Director Singeru Singeo, COM Budget and Finance Officer Klastin Lihpai, Ponape Gov. Resio Moses and FSM Education Chief Daro Weital.

Skilling sentenced, Loses hotel

KOLONIA, Ponape - Sterling Skilling, 38, of Kosrae was sentenced to one year in jail Sept. 28 by FSM Supreme Court Chief Justice Edward King and lost control of his two-story hotel and residence, after pleading guilty to theft by embezzlement of \$73,000 from the Kosrae State Government and \$60,000 from Mobil Oil Co.

Skilling, a former Kosrae plant manager for Mobil, admitted in court that from January, 1982, to early 1983 he misappropriated money through a series of more than 20 transactions, according to National Justice Ombudsman Nickontro Johnny. In 1983 he opened the hotel and restaurant which also serves as his family residence.

In a plea agreement, confirmed by Supreme Court order, Skilling was required to transfer possession and control of the hotel to the Kosrae State Government and Mobil Oil Co.

The embezzlement method was similar methods used in an earlier Mobil embezzlement case which resulted in the convictions last year of former Ponape Mobil employees Billy Jonas and Ahm Fred, Johnny said.



PRESIDENT RECEIVES GIFT - President Tosiwo Nakayama, right, is receiving a gift on behalf of the Ponape State Special Education Program during Exceptional Children's Day from handicapped student Semes, 7, of Madolenihmw who is assisted by Emihner Lorrin, a teacher for severely and multiple handicapped children.

Ruben heads police academy class

KOLONIA, Ponape - Fiuling Ruben of Truk was rated first in overall performance and scholastically among the 24 officers who were graduated Oct. 5 from the Micronesian Police Academy in Sitka, Alaska, according to FSM Security and Investigation Chief Joe Race.

Race attended the graduation ceremony which was addressed by Trust Territory High Commissioner Janet J. McCoy, after serving as counsellor for eight Micronesians who completed the 138th session of the FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia, on Sept. 14.

David Welley of Truk ranked first in emergency trauma treatment among the second class completing the 13-week course at the Alaskan Police Academy which was coordinated by Trust Territory Public Safety Development Director Bill Stinnett.

Elsin Mudong of Ponape was first in driving technique; Augustino Blailes of Palau, first in

physical fitness, and Theodore Subris of Palau, first in fire arms.

Other class members were Palik-sru Albert, Mioshi Tolenoa and Hersey Sigrah, Kosrae; Bernard Leo Daffrow, Yap; Tony Pernet, Francisco Joseph, Osaia Santos and Mathias Syne, Ponape; Martin Edward, Misaro Kaiser and Harry Narruhn, Truk; Konrad Angey and Sabnat Rediliphy, FSM DSI; Tony Anthony, Zachaeus Kotaro, Hazime Telei and Rechebei Udui, Palau; Wilson Iokeijak, Marshalls, and Antonio Palacios, Saipan.

Completing the 11-week FBI Academy session were FSM DSI Deputy Chief Jack J. Jack, Yap Police Chief Liyab Mirey, Truk Police Capt. Kerson Rizal, Ponape Detective Berney Martin, Kosrae Capt. William Tosie, Marshalls Police Lt. Eona Simon, Palau Police Chief Kaoru Brell and Saipan Police Lt. Tony Reyes.

Race received word that Hawaii Police Inspector Mitch Kaneahilua of Hilo, who also served as a U. S. counsellor for the FBI Academy course, died Sept. 21 of an apparent heart attack in Hilo.

Rodriguez convicted

KOLONIA, Ponape - Kohler Rodriguez and Leon Akwinas, both 18, were sentenced Aug. 24 and ordered to pay restitution by Aug. 30 for the June 3 burglarly of Nett Elementary School by FSM Supreme Court Chief Justice Edward King.

Both were order to provide 25 pounds of rice and 10 pounds of onions to the school as restitution.

Rodriguez, who also was convicted Aug. 3 of burglarizing May 27 the residence of FSM Security and Investigation Division Chief Joe Race, largely due to is record of numerous convictions in recent years, was sentenced to three and one-half years in jail and ordered to pay Race restitution of current market value for items taken from his house, according to National Justice Ombudsman Nickontro Johnny.

Rodriguez will be released during the second year eight hours a week to work on programs designated by the ombudsman and during the second half of the second year his work release will be increased to 20-40 hours a week.

During the third year, Rodriguez will be released weekdays from jail to attend school, if a court approved person transports him to school and back to jail.

Akwinas was sentenced Sept. 10 to house arrest and ordered to perform 80 hours of community service for taking part in the Nett Elementary School burglary with Rodriguez, according to Johnny.



COMPLETE FBI COURSE - Micronesian police officials who were scheduled to be graduated from an 11-week training program, Sept. 14, at the FBI Policy Academy are, from left, Truk Police Capt. Kerson Rizal, FSM Security and Investigations Chief Joe Race, Yap Police Chief Liyab Mirey, Marshalls detective Eona Simon, FSM Deputy Chief Jack J. Jack, Saipan Police Lt. Antonio Reyes, Ponape detective Berney J. Martin and Kosrae Police Capt. William Tosie.

Pohnpei Constitution effective date set for Nov. 8

KOLONIA, Ponape - Nov. 8 became the effective date of the Pohnpei Constitution when Gov. Resio Moses declared Oct. 9 the constitution ratified by 59 per cent of the voters in the Sept. 24 referendum, according to a Ponape State Information Office release.

The effective date of the constitution is 30 days after the governor officially proclaims the referendum results, according to the transition law enacted by the Ponape State Legislature, and the constitution officially changes the name of the state to Pohnpei when constitutional government begins Nov. 8.

Ponape will become the third of

four FSM states to begin constitutional government, following Yap and Kosrae. A referendum date is pending in the Truk State Legislature.

Moses also signed Oct. 9 into law a measure to fill vacancies of governor and, or lieutenant governor which was passed by the legislature which recommended that the lieutenant governor's post vacated by the death of Strik Yoma be filled by a special election held at the same time as elections for three new seats added to the legislature by the new constitution.

The bill enacted after Mr. Yoma was found dead Sept. 2 in Honolulu amends the 1979 general elect-

ion law to authorize the governor to call a special election for the lieutenant governor's post, if it is vacated more than one year before the end of its term, or appoint a replacement with the advice and consent of the legislature, if vacated less than one year of the next regular election.

The next gubernatorial and legislative elections are set for November, 1987, by the new constitution.

Moses is expected to call a special election for lieutenant governor at the same time he sets elections for three new seats in the legislature, according to other sources.

The vacancy bill provides that when both the governor's and lieutenant governor's posts are vacant the legislature speaker shall become lieutenant governor and acting governor and call a special election to fill the positions, if more than one year is left on their terms.

If less than one year is left, the speaker becomes governor and appoints a lieutenant governor with the advice and consent of the legislature.

While the speaker is serving as acting governor, or governor, he would vacate his legislative position and a temporary appointment would be made by the chief executive of the municipality where he was elected with the advice and consent of the municipal council.

If the speaker lacks qualifications for the governor's office, the vice speaker, or parliamentarian would become acting governor, and if they lack the qualifications, the legislature would elect one of its members.

The bill also provides that when both the governor and lieutenant governor are to be absent from Ponape, they may designate a cabinet member to serve as acting governor upon written notice to the speaker and state court chief justice.

In other action by the Third PSL during the third regular meeting of its first regular session, it authorized \$10,000 to cover membership fees and expenses of its members in the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures; authorizing funding for the the Aramas Kapw Micronesia Bound, Inc., and Ponape Aging programs, and authorized \$19,000 to supplement the Farmers Home Administration operating costs and \$65,000 for the state's participation in the Micronesian Trades Apprenticeship Program in Guam.

Legislature overrides expense item vetoes

KOLONIA, Ponape - The Ponape State Legislature overrode Oct. 5 item vetoes of its operating expenses by Gov. Resio Moses, according to the State Information Office.

The governor itemed vetoed the legislative expense provisions when he signed into law Oct. 3 a \$1.2 million general fund interim appropriations act for the first six months of fiscal 1985 which includes \$150,000 for classroom construction, \$125,000 to match FSM marine resources funding, \$109,789 for the Economic Development Authority, \$25,600 for Ponape participation in the upcoming Pacific Arts Festival in New Caledonia and some \$26,000 for the State Tourism Commission.

Moses item vetoed the expense provisions by revising the amounts for the legislature's contingency fund which was \$20,000 in fiscal 1984 from \$30,000 to \$15,000; the standing committees on Finance, Judiciary and Governmental Relations, Education and Cultural Affairs and Health and Social Services from \$10,000 to \$5,000 each, and the Resources and Development Committee from \$20,000 to \$10,000.

Fiscal 1984 appropriations for each standing committee was \$10,000.

The governor also reduced the official expense allowance to be divided equally among the legislators, which was \$40,100 in 1984, from \$100,000 to \$50,000, and the expense allowance for three new legislators to be elected under the constitution from \$11,250 to \$3,750.

In a transmittal letter to Speaker Salter Etse, Moses said his revisions were made on

the principle of "fair plan and sound government" and were not meant to be an unnecessary intervention into the internal operations of the legislature by the executive branch.

Moses also signed into law Oct. 1 an interim authorization for the use of U.S. Interior Department grant funds during the first two quarters of fiscal 1985 which began on that date.

According to the law, the state government can use only up to 50 per cent of the amount authorized for fiscal 1984, but funding for medical supplies, referrals and utilities may go up to 70 per cent of the fiscal 1984 authorizations and an additional 3.5 per cent above the 50 per cent is authorized for personnel step increases.

The interim authorization which expires March 31 also grants an additional authorization of \$151,487 for personnel and \$53,740 for other accounts for the state judiciary; \$48,500 for the Kolonia Public Market, and \$1,500 for recruitment of a laboratory assistant and X-ray technician.

The legislature confirmed the appointment of Selihna Johnson to the State Foreign Investment Board.

FmHA grants cited

KOLONIA, Ponape - The Farmers Home Administration Ponape office approved July 13 some \$33,000 in Rural Housing 514 grant assistance to disadvantaged and elderly families and \$35,000 in loans with 1 per cent interest to low income families who cannot obtain credit elsewhere, according to FmHA State Supervisor Shelten Neth.

Second Taiwan fishing boat nabbed

KOLONIA, Ponape - The FSM is bringing civil and criminal charges against a second Taiwanese long-line fishing boat allegedly caught fishing without a permit in Yap state, according to Security and Investigation Chief Joe Race.

The 35-foot lavender traditional Chinese wooden boat was caught during the week of Sept. 24 five-10 miles inside FSM waters between Ngulu Atoll, Yap state, and Palau national waters and boarded by the crew of the Arctic surveillance boat which escorted it to Moen, Truk, where the catch was confiscated and sold and the captain and three crew members jailed.

They were arraigned Oct. 5 in the FSM Supreme Court in Truk and released Oct. 6 to their boat.

FSM Public Defender in Truk, Mike Powell, reported that the crew said through an interpreter that the boat is owned by the captain, Lin Yin-Tu, and that they were drifting while trying to repair the engine that pulls the fishing lines out of the water,

not realizing that they were in FSM waters.

FSM agents on the Arctic captured a 49-ton Taiwanese longliner, CT3-3182, about 180 miles southwest of Yap proper on Aug. 20 and escorted it to Colonia, Yap, where the catch was confiscated and civil and criminal charges were pressed.

Senator Isaac Fikir of Yap introduced in the Third FSM Congress fourth regular session which began Oct. 9 a resolution asking the FSM President to initiate discussions with Republic of China and its fishing industry officials to eliminate the frequent recurrence of illegal fishing activities in FSM waters by Taiwanese vessels.

The resolution cites the seizure of the two Taiwanese boats and notes complaints which the Yap state government has received from its outer islands residents regarding foreign purse seiners and longliners sighted apparently fishing illegally within the state's waters.

School improvement Guidelines set

KOLONIA, Ponape - School administrators participating in the Sept. 17-21 Effective Schooling Workshop here adopted guidelines for improving public school education, according to FSM Deputy Education Chief Weldis Welley.

The Ponape State Education Department held a subsequent effective schooling workshop Oct. 3-5, and Welley was scheduled to attend a related workshop to begin Oct. 15 in Yap. Workshop dates were pending for Truk and Kosrae.

"I will be going to the state workshops, and when they begin dealing with teachers, I will be available to assist," Welley said, adding that he is considering holding an evaluation and planning workshop for the effective schooling program in the summer of 1985.

The guidelines developed by Welley in a Northwest Regional Laboratory sponsored study include improving leadership by school administrators; improving school environment by defining student expectations and codes of conduct; maximizing use of time with procedures and incentives for teachers and students; curriculum planning; evaluation, and defining the roles of administrators, teachers and parents in an effective school setting.

Participants in the workshop from Ponape were Curriculum and Instruction Supervisor Casiano Shoniber, Elementary Chief Joseph Felix, PICS Vice Principal Solpicio Salvador, Science Specialist Marcus Rosario, Social Studies Specialist Bender Enicar and elementary principals Conrad Musrasrik and Reynold Wolphogen.

From Kosrae were Teacher Training and Evaluation Coordinator Kalwin Kephas, elementary principal Alister Tolenna and curriculum writer Salpasr Tilfas; from Truk, Secondary Education Chief Iosi Ludwig and Elementary Education Chief Kirion Hengio, and from the national government, Testing and Evaluation Coordinator Albert Tilfas, Program Development Coordinator Stuart Arno and Student Services Officer Danny Leopold.

Leprosy training planned for Truk

KOLONIA, Ponape - The World Health Organization-funded leprosy control program patient survey will be extended to Truk in November, following a two-week training session there for all states, according to Dr. Kiosi Aniol, FSM Health Services Coordinator.

The program will be extended to Yap early next year and Kosrae after that, according to Aniol who was sent by WHO to train Sept. 1-30 at the Twomey Hospital in Suva, Fiji, as part of the FSM leprosy control program.

The training included clinical procedures and administration, including planning, coordination, funding and program evaluation, he said.

Clinical procedures included a new multi-drug therapy procedure which was implemented in August

in Ponape, according to Aniol who said the procedure includes a combination of Dapson and Lamprene on a daily basis and Rifampicin and Lamprene on a monthly basis not less than two years for patients with relatively mild tuberculoid leprosy and not less than five years for more severe lepromatous leprosy.

"We have both (in the FSM)," he said.

WHO is providing \$260,000 for a five and one-half-year leprosy program which was started in July in Ponape which has the largest number of cases in the FSM with 852 known cases in January, compared to 317 in Truk, 41 in Yap and 40 in Kosrae.

The number of known cases in Ponape increased to 938 with two new cases added in September.

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