

## The President

### Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

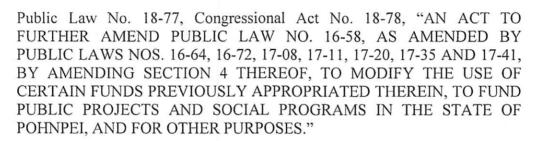
# PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-323 FSM CONGRESS

August 18, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts without signature:



Public Law No. 18-78, Congressional Act No. 18-79, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49, 18-61 AND 18-63, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-79, Congressional Act No. 18-80, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71, 17-05, 17-18, 17-29, 17-47, 18-23, 18-33 AND 18-50, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-80, Congressional Act No. 18-81, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-18, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65, 18-27 AND 18-47, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."



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Public Law No. 18-81, Congressional Act No. 18-82, "AN ACT TO PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-11, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-11, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-44, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-44, BY AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-11, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-84, BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-84, BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-84, BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-84, BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-81, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-82, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-82, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-84, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-82, AS AMENDED BY PUBLI

Public Law No. 18-82, Congressional Act No. 18-83, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-05, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-05, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-38 AND 18-72, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING LAWS NOS. 18-07, 18-14, 18-31, 18-38 AND 18-72, BY AMENDING LAWS NOS. 18-07, 18-14, 18-31, 18-38 AND 18-72, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THEREOF PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-83, "AN ACT TO PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-83, "AN ACT TO SERVING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-83, Congressional Act No. 18-84, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21, 18-29 AND 18-64, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21, 18-29 AND 18-64, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSES."

APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-84, Congressional Act No. 18-85, "AN ACT TO PEER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO.17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36, AND 18-65, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO OFFER A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT, AND 18-65, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY AND TO THEREOF, TO OFFER A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT, AND FOR OTHER PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THE PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THE PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THE PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THE PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THERE PUBLICAL AMENDMENT, AND THE PUBLICAL AMEN

Public Law No. 18-85, Congressional Act No. 18-86, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40, 18-17 AND 18-67, BY AMENDING THE AMENDING THE PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40, 18-17, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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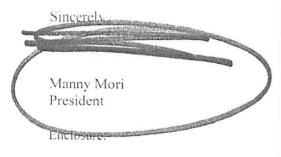
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Public Law No. 18-86. Congressional Act No. 18-87, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-23, 17-30, 17-32, 17-45, 17-85, 18-28, 18-45 AND 18-59, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-87, Congressional Act No. 18-89, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 AND 18-58, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN EACH OF THE STATES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I reviewed the above Acts, designed to alter the funds and change the allottees for various public projects. The numerous amendments, which fail to provide clear direction on the intention of Congress behind altering funds and changing allottees, make it impossible for the Executive branch to implement public projects without involvement from Congress.

The involvement of some members of Congress in the implementation of public projects violates the Constitution, as confirmed by the Udot case. I have previously shared this concern with Congress and once again bring this problem to your attention. Let's resolve this matter amicably and avoid going to court to seek further clarifications.



Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court Secretary, Department of Justice Director, SBOC

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July /5 , 2014

His Excellency Manny Mori President Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 18-81, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-18, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65, 18-27 AND 18-47, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2014, by a twothirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis

Chief Clerk, Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION JULY 7 - 12, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-80\*

## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-18, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65, 18-27 AND 18-47, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL

DATE: JULY 7, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN - JULY 8, 2014

FIRST READING: JULY 9, 2014

SECOND READING: JULY 10, 2014

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

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ACT NO. 18-81

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-192, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on July 10 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

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#### AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 16-18, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65, 18-27 and 18-47, by amending section 2 thereof, to change allottee and lapse date of certain funds previously appropriated therein, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 2 of Public Law No. 16-18, as amended
- 2 by Public Laws Nos. 16-24, 17-14, 17-39 and 18-27, is hereby
- 3 further amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. Allotment and management of funds and lapse 4 5 date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in accordance with applicable laws, including, but not 7 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. 8 allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these 9 funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used 10 solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that 11 no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum 12 The allottee of the funds appropriated 13 appropriated. under subsections 1 and 2 of section 1 of this act shall 14 be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia 15 or his designee, EXCEPT THAT the allottee of funds 16 appropriated under subsections 2(a),(b),(c), (d), (e), 17 (f), (g), (j), (n(i)), (p), (g) and (r) of this act 18

### PUBLIC LAW No 7 8- 80

1	shall be the Mayor of Lelu Municipal Government; the
2	allottee of funds appropriated under sections 1(4)(a)
3	and 1(4)(c) shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his
4	designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under
5	section 1(4)(b) shall be the Mortlock Islands
6	Development Authority; the allottee of funds
7	appropriated under section 1(4)(e) shall be the Faichuk
8	Development Authority; the allottee of funds
9	appropriated under section 1(4)(d) shall be the Souhtern
10	Namoneas Development Authority; and the allottee of
11	funds appropriated under section 1(4)(f) shall be the
12	Northwest Island Development Authority. The allottee of
13	funds appropriated under section 1(1) of this act shall
14	be the Governor of the State of Yap. The authority of
15	the allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this act
16	shall lapse on September 30, 2015."
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## PUBLIC LAW No. 18-80

1	Section 2. This act shall be	ecome law upon approval by the
2	President of the Federated States	of Micronesia or upon its
3	becoming law without such approval	••
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