



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 20-139
FSM CONGRESS

October 25, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:


I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 20-53:

Congressional Act No. 20-51, entitled: "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$8,500,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PRIORITY PROJECTS AND OTHER PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

In approving this act, I have done so with much reluctance. The updated revenue per state, which is attached for your reference, cast serious doubt on whether this act is able to leverage economic development given the modest recent fiscal year revenue recorded at the FSM Treasury. I invite the Members of Congress to consider the attached spreadsheet noting that many of the so-called public projects funded in this act are in reality expenditures that do not correlate to the national revenue. Under the circumstances, strategic allocation of public funds with expected better outcomes is in order.

In closing, I urge Congress to revisit this appropriation during the special session.
Thank you.

Sincerely,


Peter M. Christian
President

Enclosures:

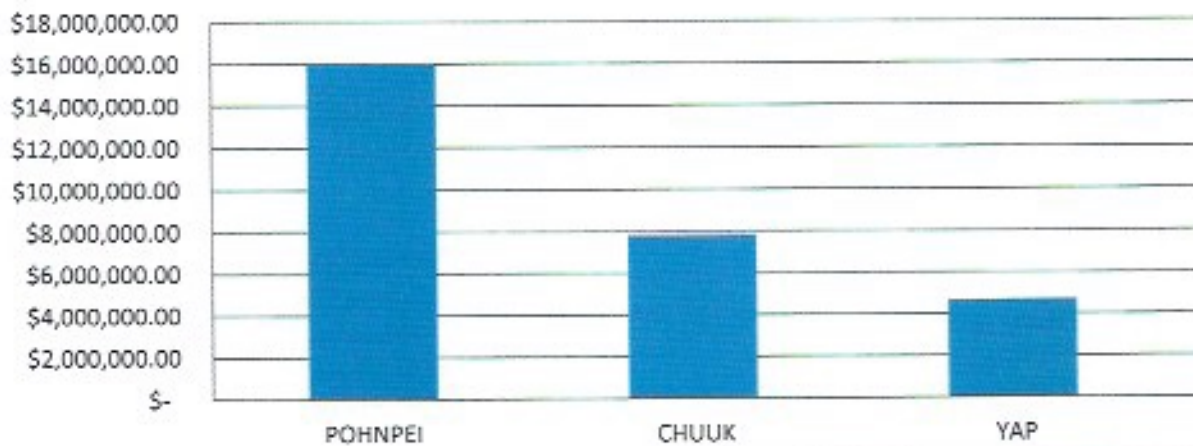


FSM CUSTOMS & TAX ADMINISTRATION

FISCAL YEAR 2017 ACTUAL COLLECTION- 100%

	POHNPEI	CHUUK	YAP	KOSRAE
IMPORT TAX	\$ 3,952,346.72	2,711,333.27	1,737,878.37	709,188.34
FUEL TAX	\$ 404,169.54	185,836.84	95,721.11	63,717.20
CIGARETTE TAX	\$ 2,449,924.33	78,838.96	439,264.00	59,281.00
GRT	\$ 4,340,824.05	2,757,308.24	1,271,239.31	708,283.89
WAGES	\$ 4,862,942.24	2,008,636.90	1,146,307.54	699,693.89
PEN. % INT.	\$ 61,002.09	48,181.54	14,865.59	3,103.86
TOTAL	\$ 16,071,208.97	\$ 7,790,135.75	\$ 4,705,275.92	\$ 2,243,268.18

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His Excellency Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia
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Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 20-51, "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$8,500,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2017, by a two-thirds 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



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ACT NO. 20-51

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 20-189
FSM CONGRESS

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-87, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on September 27 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2017, 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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Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis".

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
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TWENTIETH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2017 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-87, C.D.1, C.D.2

AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of \$8,500,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, for the purpose of funding priority infrastructure projects and other projects and programs in the states of Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. The sum of \$8,500,000, or so much thereof as may
2 be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the
3 Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending
4 September 30, 2018, for the purpose of funding priority
5 infrastructure projects and other projects and programs in the
6 states of Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk. The funds appropriated under
7 this section shall be apportioned as follows:

8 Section 2. Of the \$8,500,000 appropriated under this act,
9 \$1,500,000 shall be apportioned for priority infrastructure
10 projects and other projects and programs in the state of Kosrae.

11	(1) state of Kosrae	\$1,500,000
12	(a) Scholarships for Kosraean students .	145,000
13	(b) Kosrae High School lunch program	50,000
14	(c) Kosrae Conservation Society and Safety	
15	Organization (KCSO)	15,000
16	(d) Travel and related costs for Kosraean	
17	Legislators to Pohnpei.....	5,000
18	(e) Fishing projects	40,000

1	(f) Renovation of Otta #1 meeting		
2	house, Tafunsak	\$	10,000
3	(g) Kosrae Mediation Program		10,000
4	(h) Kosrae Wrestling Federation		
5	travel and associated costs		10,000
6	(i) Kosrae leadership travel to		
7	the Holy Land (Israel)		60,000
8	(j) Travel needs		50,000
9	(k) Kosrae leadership conference		5,000
10	(l) Walung Elementary School internet		
11	service and related costs		15,000
12	(m) Lelu Town Government subsidy		20,000
13	(n) Utwe Municipal Government subsidy ...		20,000
14	(o) U SE INGE travel and associated costs		20,000
15	(p) Road improvement for Sarar, Utwe road		10,000
16	(q) Clearing of Okat and Palusrik		
17	water channels		10,000
18	(r) Purchase of cell phones,		
19	lab tops, I-pads		20,000
20	(s) FY-18 salaries for DREA employees ...		65,000
21	(t) Fwalwe channel clearing and improvements		10,000
22	(u) Vehicle/POL-AG's Office Kosrae		30,000
23	(v) Fwinetem to Sroansak water		
24	system improvement		5,000
25	(w) Vehicle/POL/ and for Kosrae		

1	High School lunch program	\$ 10,000
2	(x) Renovation of Lelu Town	
3	Government building	15,000
4	(y) Travel and associated costs for G-14	15,000
5	(z) Contributions to community activities,	
6	events and programs	30,000
7	(aa) Purchase of equipment for Lelu Choir	5,000
8	(ab) Contribution to Malem Youth group ...	5,000
9	(ac) Administrative support services	10,000
10	(ad) Delegation scholarship board	
11	meeting allowances	5,000
12	(ae) Kosrae Island Veterans Association ..	10,000
13	(af) Malem Choir travel needs	15,000
14	(ag) POHKOS fast-pitch team (airfare/	
15	allowance/uniforms	5,000
16	(ah) Ports improvement project	750,000
17	Section 3. Of the \$8,500,000 appropriated under this act,	
18	\$3,000,000 shall be apportioned for priority infrastructure	
19	projects and other projects and programs in the state of Pohnpei.	
20	state of Pohnpei	3,000,000
21	At Large	750,000
22	(a) Nanwel en Pehleeng road paving	50,000
23	(b) Tomwarahlong road paving	50,000
24	(c) Mwalok-Danpei road maintenance/paving	50,000
25	(d) Nanwel en Rohi road paving	20,000

1	(e) Wapar road paving	\$ 50,000
2	(f) Roofing/bleachers for PICS Gym	20,000
3	(g) Kipar, Kitti loop road paving	50,000
4	(h) Arou Powe/Paulus Emelios road maintenance	15,000
5	(i) Junk cars removal/clearing project ..	25,000
6	(j) Pihs road maintenance/paving	50,000
7	(k) Pihs Youth basketball/volleyball court	40,000
8	(l) Wapar Kapingamarangi community road	
9	paving/concrete	25,000
10	(m) Pohnpei community water project	45,000
11	(n) Pohnpei community clean up/equipment	20,000
12	(o) Sekere mangrove channel cleanup/clearing	10,000
13	(p) Tomwara loop road paving	50,000
14	(q) Sowiso road paving/maintenance	12,000
15	(r) Dolonier road to Namio Nanpei	
16	paving maintenance	50,000
17	(s) Pohnpei V6AH radio matching fund	16,000
18	(t) LED lights - solar	50,000
19	(u) Pohnpei beautification and clean up	
20	equipment	45,000
21	(v) Nahtik community center	7,000
22	(2) Election District No. 1	720,000
23	(a) Pohnrakied village sidewalk	40,000
24	(b) Likie road paving	50,000
25	(c) Tomwera Loop paving	150,000

1	(d) Nanmadap road paving	\$ 40,000
2	(e) Totopai road paving	-0-
3	(f) LED solar lights	50,000
4	(g) Roofing/bleachers for PICS Gym	40,000
5	(h) Ant Island solar and tower system ...	50,000
6	(i) Matching fund for St. Paul building .	15,000
7	(j) Kaselehlia street retaining wall	30,000
8	(k) Dolon bridge	10,000
9	(l) Communication needs	50,000
10	(m) Road maintenance/new road projects ..	50,000
11	(n) Water systems improvement	
12	(pipes materials)	10,000
13	(o) Nanpohnmal/Sekere road paving/expansion	50,000
14	(p) Spot paving/maintenance	20,000
15	(q) Beautification project	25,000
16	(r) Pohnpei Island Central School -	
17	(computers/printers/firewall)	10,000
18	(3) Election District No. 2	750,000
19	(a) Rice field road improvement	65,000
20	(b) ESDM road improvement	60,000
21	(c) Nankepin Sapwehrek	20,000
22	(d) Salong, Temwen road	30,000
23	(e) Lukop (Kalio) road	20,000
24	(f) Salapwuk road	30,000
25	(g) Current and prior obligations -	

1	Election District No. 2	\$ 10,000
2	(h) Parau Civic Center	15,000
3	(i) Pihs water improvement	30,000
4	(j) Lohd water system improvement	30,000
5	(k) Wapar civic center	15,000
6	(l) Kitti Isokoneddi building	30,000
7	(m) Kitti Project Administration	20,000
8	(n) Madolenihmw road improvement	50,000
9	(o) Channels improvement	30,000
10	(p) Community outreach	70,000
11	(q) Power extension	50,000
12	(r) Street lights (LED) purchase	40,000
13	(s) Kitti roads improvement	80,000
14	(t) Road patching	20,000
15	(u) PIALA conference participants	
16	travel needs	5,000
17	(v) Nanpahlap beautification project	15,000
18	(w) Persons with disabilities'	
19	support center	15,000
20	(4) Election District No. 3	780,000
21	(a) Pali Pohn Nett paving	100,000
22	(b) Nett road paving	70,000
23	(c) Eirke PUC water line extension	65,000
24	(d) Parem-Lenger stand alone	
25	house solar systems	65,000

1	(e) Ios Maru road paving	\$ 100,000
2	(f) Dien U road paving	100,000
3	(g) Kepin Awak road paving	30,000
4	(h) Awak Pah culvert	20,000
5	(i) Dekehtik road sidewalk project	100,000
6	(j) Pingelap public projects	65,000
7	(k) Mwokiloa public projects	65,000"
8	Section 4. Of the \$8,500,000 appropriated under this act,	
9	\$4,000,000 shall be apportioned for priority infrastructure	
10	projects and other projects and programs in the state of Chuuk.	
11	state of Chuuk	4,000,000
12	(1) At Large	300,000
13	(a) Allottee's administrative	
14	support services	10,000
15	(b) Housing repair/renovation	40,000
16	(c) Fishing projects	40,000
17	(d) Contributions to State, Municipal	
18	and community events, activities and programs..	30,000
19	(e) Leadership/patients/students	
20	travel/COAP	20,000
21	(f) Non-Governmental organizations/	
22	associations/foundations	40,000
23	(g) Women Home Economic projects	15,000
24	(h) Municipal subsidy/prior obligations .	20,000
25	(i) Municipal traditional leaders subsidy	10,000

1	(j) Roads/bridges/docks repair/construction/	
2	beautification, including prior obligations... \$	30,000
3	(k) Students financial assistance	20,000
4	(l) Water projects	10,000
5	(m) Solar and other power generation projects	10,000
6	(n) Social Security contributions/	
7	outstanding arrears	5,000
8	(2) Election District No. 1	300,000
9	(a) Ta airport terminal	90,000
10	(b) Land acquisition for public purpose .	48,000
11	(c) Mortlocks Sea Port feasibility study	20,000
12	(d) Mortlocks dispensaries needs	30,000
13	(e) MIDA office extension and improvement	36,000
14	(f) Mortlocks municipalities operation funds	66,000
15	(g) Ta airport maintenance and labor cost	10,000
16	(3) Election District No. 2	300,000
17	(a) Housing renovation	90,000
18	(b) Food security	50,000
19	(c) Travel needs	40,000
20	(d) Land transportation	20,000
21	(e) Water systems improvement	5,000
22	(f) Fishing project	40,000
23	(g) Mwan Elementary School (kitchen building)	25,000
24	(h) Municipal governments subsidies	25,000
25	(i) Allottee's administrative support services	5,000

1	(4) Election District No. 3	\$ 300,000
2	(a) Housing renovations	100,000
3	(b) Municipal governments subsidies	40,000
4	(c) Fishing project	50,000
5	(d) Students financial assistance	20,000
6	(e) Sewing project	10,000
7	(f) Tonoas Goodwill Games	10,000
8	(g) Travel needs	40,000
9	(h) POL/Charter/Freight	5,000
10	(i) Administrative support services -ED#3	15,000
11	(j) Humanitarian assistance	10,000
12	(5) Election District NO. 4	300,000
13	(a) Humanitarian assistance	50,000
14	(b) Sewing project	20,000
15	(c) Fishing project	40,000
16	(d) FDA administrative cost	20,000
17	(e) Low income housing	40,000
18	(f) Youth activities and programs	30,000
19	(g) Travel needs	40,000
20	(h) Students financial assistance	30,000
21	(i) Land transportation	30,000
22	(6) Election District No. 5	300,000
23	(a) POL/Charter/Freight	20,000
24	(b) Leaders, students travel need (COAP)	15,000
25	(c) Patients travel/Human remain repatriation	\$ 10,000

1	(d) Northwest Leadership Summit	\$ 20,000
2	(e) Low Income housing & Multi purpose	
3	building renovation	20,000
4	(f) Food relief	10,000
5	(g) Students financial assistance	15,000
6	(h) Solar freezer	30,000
7	(i) Solar street lights	30,000
8	(j) Outstanding for ED#5 staff	13,000
9	(k) Prior year obligation (Lei Side Inc.)	12,000
10	(l) Northwest Legislative Delegation	
11	contributions	10,000
12	(m) Municipal offices/dispensaries prefab	
13	buildings	30,000
14	(n) Northwest Dispensary boat/motor	65,000
15	(7) Chuuk State Priority Infrastructure Projects	2,200,000
16	(a) Faichuk public land acquisition	100,000
17	(b) Northwest Island telecommunication towers	70,000
18	(c) FSM DCA AvSec Capacity Development	
19	program/airport and terminal improvement	500,000
20	(d) Chuuk Community Health Center	30,000
21	(e) Chuuk State restart school program ..	250,000
22	(f) Other priority infrastructure	
23	projects to be determined by Chuuk leadership .	1,250,000
24	Section 5. Allotment and management of funds and lapse date.	
25	All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted, managed,	

1 administered and accounted for in accordance with applicable laws,
2 including, but not limited to, the Financial Management Act of
3 1979. The allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these
4 funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used solely for
5 the purpose specified in this act, and that no obligations are
6 incurred in excess of the sum appropriated. The allottee of the
7 funds appropriated under sections 2 and 3 of this act shall be the
8 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee;
9 PROVIDED THAT, the allottee of funds appropriated under
10 subsections 2(a) to 2(af) of this act shall be the Mayor of Lelu
11 Town Government or his designee; the allottee of funds
12 appropriated under subsection 2(ag) shall be the Secretary of
13 Education or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated
14 under subsection 2(ah) of this act shall be the Mayor of Tafunsak
15 Municipal Government or his designee; the allottee of funds
16 appropriated under subsections 3(1)(a), 3(1)(b), 3(1)(c), 3(1)(e),
17 3(1)(g), 3(1)(j), 3(1)(p), 3(1)(r), 3(2)(b), 3(2)(c), 3(2)(d),
18 3(2)(e) and 3(2)(o) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
19 Transportation Authority; the allottee of funds appropriated under
20 subsections 3(3)(f), 3(3)(l) and 3(3)(m) of this act shall be the
21 Lukenmenlap of Kitti; the allottee of funds appropriated under
22 subsections 3(3)(q) and 3(3)(r) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
23 Utility Corporation; the allottee of fund appropriated under
24 subsections 4(7)(a), 4(7)(b), 4(7)(c), 4(7)(d) and 4(7)(e) shall
25 be the Governor of Chuuk State or his designee. The allottee of

1 the funds appropriated under subsections 4(1), 4(3), 4(6) and 4(7)
 2 of this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his designee;
 3 the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 4(2) of
 4 this act shall be the Mortlocks Island Development Authority
 5 (MIDA); the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection
 6 4(4) of this act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development
 7 Authority; the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection
 8 4(5) of this act shall be the Faichuk Development Authority. The
 9 authority of the allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this
 10 act shall lapse on September 30, 2020.

11 Section 6. This act shall become law upon approval by the
 12 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
 13 becoming law without such approval.

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10/19, 2017



Peter M. Christian
 President
 Federated States of Micronesia