## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend sections 1002 through 1031 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Federated States of Micronesia Weapons Control Act, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, to delegate to the states all authority over the manufacture, transfer, possession, and carriage of weapons and ammunition within the Federated States of Micronesia except as otherwise provided, to regulate the importation of weapons and ammunition, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Section 1002 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
- 3 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended by to read as
- 4 follows:
- "Section 1002. [General prohibition.] Manufacture, transfer and possession of weapons - Delegation of 6 authority. [No person shall] All authority to regulate, restrict, and prohibit the manufacture, transfer [purchase, sell], possession and [or] carr[y]iage [any] 9 10 of: [firearm, dangerous device,] 11 a) weapons, [or] 12 ammunition, and b) c) any other instruments or devices 13 which can be used for the purpose of inflicting bodily 14 15 harm and which under the circumstances of their

possession serve no lawful purpose,

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1	within the territory of the Federated States of
2	Micronesia is delegated to the states other than as
3	hereinafter provided."
4	Section 2. Section 1003 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
5	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
6	Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
7	follows:
8	"Section 1003. <u>Exemptions[—from provisions of</u>
9	<u>chapter].</u>
10	[This chapter shall not apply to] The following shall
11	be exempt from any state law, regulation, or ordinance
12	enacted pursuant to section 1002:
13	(1) <u>national</u> law enforcement officers while
14	engaged in official duty except to the extent that
15	particular provisions of this chapter are expressly
16	<pre>made applicable to them;</pre>
17	(2) [firearms which are in unserviceable
18	condition and which are incapable of being fired or
19	discharged and which are kept as curios, ornaments or
20	for their historical significance or value] weapons or
21	ammunition that are the property of the Government of
22	the Federated States of Micronesia;
23	(3) [weapons or other dangerous devices which
24	are not firearms and which are kept as ornaments,
25	curios, or objects of historical or archeological

1 interest; provided, that the article or articles referred to herein are kept or displayed only in 2 3 private homes, museums, or in connection with public exhibitions; persons lawfully in possession of weapons 4 or ammunition that are the property of the Government 5 of the Federated States of Micronesia; 6 7 persons in the Armed Forces of the United 8 States, whenever such persons are engaged on official 9 duty except to the extent that particular provisions of 10 this chapter are expressly made applicable to them; persons designated from time to time by 11 (5) 12 the Secretary of the Department of Justice (hereinafter 13 referred to as the "Secretary" in this act), where such exemption is in the best interest of the National 14 Government; provided, however, that the Secretary shall 15 define the time, manner and purpose of the exemption, 16 and limit the size and type of weapons which may be 17 18 used by such persons." Section 3. Section 1004 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 19 20 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 21 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 22 23 "Section 1004. <u>Definitions</u>. For the purposes of this 24 section: 25 "Automatic weapon" means a weapon of any

description irrespective of size, by whatever name designated or known, loaded or unloaded, from which may be repeatedly or automatically discharged a number of bullets contained in a magazine, ribbon or other receptacle, by one continuous movement of the trigger or firing mechanism.

- (2) "Carry" means having on one's person or in a motor vehicle or other conveyance.
- incendiary or poison gas bomb, grenade, mine or similar device, switch or gravity blade knife, blackjack, [sandbag,] metal, wooden or shark's tooth knuckles, dagger, or any instrument designed or redesigned [for use as a weapon, or any other instrument which can be used] for the purpose of inflicting bodily harm [and which under the circumstances of its possession serves no lawful purpose].
- (4) "Department of Justice" means the Federated States of Micronesia Department of Justice.
- (5) "Firearm" means any device, by whatever name known, which is designed or may be converted to expel or hurl a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion, a release, or an expansion of gas, including but not limited to guns, except a device designed or redesigned for use solely as a signaling,

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line throwing, spearfishing, or industrial device, or a device which hurls a projectile by means of the release or expansion of carbon dioxide or air.

- (6) "Gun" means a handqun or long qun.
- (7) "Handgun" means a pistol or revolver with an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.
- an employee of a national [or state] law enforcement agency authorized to enforce the laws of the National or State Governments. [Employees of municipal law enforcement agencies may be included for the purposes of this chapter, at the discretion of the Secretary, upon a showing that municipal law enforcement officers meet the training requirements for National or State law enforcement officers.]
- (9) "Long gun" means a rifle with one or more barrels more than eighteen inches in length.
- (10) "Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership, or other business entity.
- (11) "Semi-automatic weapon" means a weapon of any description irrespective of size, by whatever name designated or known, loaded or unloaded, from which may be repeatedly or automatically discharged a number of bullets contained in a magazine, ribbon or other receptacle by a like number of movements of the trigger

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1 or firing mechanism without recocking or resetting the trigger or firing mechanism. 2 (12) "Transfer" means sale, gift, purchase or 3 any other means by which ownership or temporary rights 4 of use and control are conveyed or shifted from one 5 6 person to another. 7 (13) "Weapon" means any firearm or dangerous 8 device." 9 Section 4. Section 1005 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 10 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 11 12 follows: 13 "Section 1005. Importation - Prohibitions. 14 [Identification cards required; Issuance.] No person shall import any weapon or 15 ammunition into the territory of the Federated States 16 of Micronesia other than as hereinafter provided. 17 18 person shall acquire or possess any firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition unless he or she holds an 19 20 identification card issued pursuant to this chapter. 21 -The identification card is evidence of the holder's 22 eligibility to possess and use or carry firearms, 23 dangerous devices, or ammunition. A person need not own or possess any firearm, dangerous device, or 24 ammunition to apply for and have issued to him an 25

1 identification card. (2) Identification cards shall be issued only 2 by the Department of Justice pursuant to regulations 3 made by the Department of Justice in the manner which 4 is or may be provided by law. The identification card shall have on its face all of the following: (a) the name and address of the holder; (b) the sex, height, and weight of the 8 9 holder; (c) the birth date of the holder; 10 (d) the date of expiration for the card, 11 12 which shall be two years from the date of issue; 13 (e) a photograph of the holder taken within ten days prior to issuance; 14 (f) an endorsement setting forth the 15 extent of the holder's eligibility to possess, use, and 16 17 carry firearms, dangerous devices, or ammunition; and 18 (q) the number of the identification card. 19 20 (3) An applicant for the issuance or renewal 21 of an identification card shall make application therefor on a form approved by the Department of 22 23 Justice and shall supply such information as may be necessary to afford the issuing agency reasonable 24 opportunity to ascertain the facts required to appear 25

on the face of the identification card, and to determine whether the applicant complies with all requirements of this chapter to possess and use, or carry firearms, dangerous devices, or ammunition, as the case may be. Such information shall include a complete description and serial number, if any, of any firearm or dangerous device the applicant owns or possesses.

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(4) No identification cards shall be issued until fifteen days after application therefor, and unless the issuing agency is satisfied that the applicant may lawfully possess and use, or carry firearms, dangerous devices, or ammunition of the type or types enumerated on the identification card; provided, however, that the Secretary may issue an identification card prior to the expiration of fifteen days where such issuance is in the best interest of the National Government. Unless the application for use and possession is denied, the identification card shall be issued within 60 days from the date of application. An identification card issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for two years from the date of its issuance unless it has been revoked. A valid identification card issued pursuant to this section may be renewed biannually upon application by the holder

1	made on the form approved by the Department of Justice.
2	$\frac{(5)}{(2)}$ No person shall be issued an
3	[identification card] import permit pursuant to this
4	<u>chapter</u> if he or she has been:
5	(a) acquitted of any criminal charge by
6	reason of insanity;
7	(b) adjudicated mentally incompetent;
8	(c) treated in a hospital for mental
9	illness, drug addiction, or alcoholism;
10	(d) convicted of a crime of which actual
11	or attempted personal injury or death is an element;
12	(e) convicted of a crime in connection
13	with which [firearms or dangerous devices] weapons or
14	ammunition were used or found in his or her possession;
15	[ <del>or</del> ]
16	(f) convicted of a crime of which the
17	use, possession, or sale of narcotics or dangerous
18	drugs is an element; or
19	(g) is prohibited from possessing weapons
20	or ammunition under any applicable state law.
21	(6) No person shall be issued an
22	[identification card] import permit unless that person
23	is at least 21 years of age at the time of application
24	therefor.
25	(7) No person shall be issued an

[identification card] import permit if he or she has a physical condition or impairment which makes him or her unable to use [a firearm or dangerous device] any weapon listed therein with proper control.

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- Any person suffering from a physical or mental defect, condition, illness, or impairment which would make him ineliqible for an [identification card] import permit pursuant to this section may submit the certificate of a physician licensed to practice in the Federated States of Micronesia to the issuing agency or If the certificate states that it is the officer. subscribing physician's best opinion that the defect, condition, illness, or impairment does not make the applicant incapable of possessing and using any [firearm or dangerous device] weapon requested to be imported without danger to the public safety, [the identification card] such import permit may be issued. [But no such card shall be valid for a period longer than six months.
- (9) Any person who is ineligible for an [identification card] import permit by reason of conviction of a crime may be issued such a card if his or her most recent discharge from probation or parole or the termination of his or her most recent sentence, whichever is later, is more than ten years prior to the

import permit and if the issuing agency finds that his or her record, taken as a whole, does not indicate that his or her possessing and using, or carrying, [a firearm or dangerous device, as the case may be, are] any weapon requested to be imported is not likely to constitute a special danger to the public safety[+ provided, that if the crime which renders him ineligible for an identification card is solely the failure to have an identification card issued to him, then the reinstatement to eligibility pursuant to this subsection shall occur five years after the date of his or her sentencing].

[(10) A duplicate identification card may be issued to the holder of a lost, destroyed, or defaced identification card upon proof of such loss, destruction, or defacement as the Department of Justice may require, upon payment of the fee required by section 1030 of this chapter, and upon surrender of any remaining portion of the original card. Notice shall be given to the Department of Justice by the holder within forty-eight hours of his or her discovery of such loss, defacement, or destruction. The holder shall notify the Department of Justice of any change of name or address from those appearing upon the

1 identification card within forty-eight hours of such 2 change. 3 (11) [ (10) A person who is neither a citizen nor resident of the Federated States of Micronesia shall 4 not be eliqible for an [identification card] import 5 6 permit, except upon receiving special permission from the Secretary. 8 (11) If the applicant for an import permit is a 9 corporation, partnership, association, or other business entity, it shall not be eligible for an import 10 permit if any if its directors, partners, associates, 11 12 or senior managers, or any individual who would be 13 responsible for the custody of any weapons under the entity's control, would themselves not be eligible for 14 an import permit." 15 Section 5. Section 1006 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 16 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 17 18 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 19 20 "Section 1006. Reserved. [Identification cards 21 required; Prima facie evidence of possession. 22 No person shall purchase, possess, or use a 23 firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition unless he or she is the holder of an identification card issued 24 pursuant to this chapter evidencing the eligibility of 25

such person to purchase, possess, and use a firearm, 1 dangerous device or ammunition. Such person shall be 2 at least 21 years of age.] 3 Where a firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition is 4 found in a vehicle or vessel, it shall be prima facie evidence that such firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition is in the possession of the occupant if 8 there is but one. If there is more than one occupant, 9 it shall be prima facie evidence that it is in the 10 possession of all, except under the following circumstances: 11 12 (a) where it is found upon the person of one of the occupants; 13 (b) where the vehicle or vessel is not a 14 stolen one and the firearm, dangerous device, or 15 ammunition is out of view in a glove compartment, 16 17 automobile trunk, or other enclosed customary 18 depository, in which case it is prima facie evidence that such firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition is 19 20 in the possession of the occupant or occupants who own 21 or have authority to operate the vehicle or vessel; (c) where, in the case of a taxicab, the 22 23 firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition is found in the passengers' portion of the vehicle, it shall be 24 prima facie evidence that it is in the possession of 25

1 all the passengers, if there are any, and, if not, that it is in the possession of the driver.]" 2 3 Section 6. Section 1007 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: "Section 1007. Reserved. [Carrying firearms. 8 No person shall carry a firearm unless he or she has a 9 valid identification card and is carrying the firearm 10 unloaded in a closed case or other securely wrapped or closed package or container, or locked in the trunk of 11 12 his or her vehicle while en route to or from a target 13 range or area where he or she hunts or takes part in other sports involving firearms, or carries the firearm 14 in plain sight on his or her person while actively 15 engaged in hunting or sports involving the use of 16 firearms.]" 17 18 Section 7. Section 1008 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 19 20 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 21 follows: "Section 1008. [New residents, temporary residents, 22 23 and visitors in] (1) Travelers to the Federated States of 24 Micronesia. <del>Visitors, new residents, and temporary</del> 25

1 residents in Travelers to the Federated States of Micronesia shall not import [, transport, purchase, use, 2 3 or possess] any [firearm, dangerous device] weapon or ammunition into the Federated States of Micronesia 4 without an [identification card] import permit issued 5 pursuant to this chapter. Any person who possesses any 6 [firearms, dangerous devices,] weapon or ammunition 8 [shall, before or immediately] upon his or her entrance 9 into the Federated States of Micronesia [-7] shall declare it and turn it in to a Customs officer or other 10 authorized law enforcement officer at the port of entry 11 [the Secretary, or his or her duly designated 12 13 representative]. Such firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition shall be returned to such person upon his or 14 her being issued an [identification card] import permit 15 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter or upon his 16 or her departure from the Federated States of 17 18 Micronesia. (2) For the purpose of this section, a person 19 20 does not import a weapon or ammunition into the 21 Federated States of Micronesia if the firearm or ammunition is in his or her possession or under his or 22 23 her control: (a) on a vessel in the Territorial Sea of 24

the Federated States of Micronesia or at an official

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1 port of entry; or (b) on an aircraft within the airspace of 2 3 the Federated States of Micronesia or at an official 4 port of entry, unless he or she lands such weapon or ammunition in the 5 Federated States of Micronesia from such vessel or 6 7 aircraft. 8 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), any use of 9 a weapon or ammunition on a vessel in the Territorial Sea or on an aircraft within the airspace of the 10 Federated States of Micronesia shall be subject to 11 applicable state law, irrespective of whether the 12 13 vessel or aircraft originated outside or within the Federated States of Micronesia." 14 Section 8. Section 1009 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 15 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 16 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 17 18 follows: "Section 1009. Law enforcement officers. 19 20 (1)Possession, use, and carriage of 21 [firearms,] weapons and ammunition [and dangerous devices] by national law enforcement officers derives 22 23 from the laws governing the powers, functions and organization of the police and other organized forces 24 of peace officers. Eliqibility of national law 25

enforcement officers to possess, use, and carry

[firearms,] weapons or ammunition [or dangerous

devices] while on duty is not subject to [the holding

of identification cards] state law or any other

qualifications prescribed in this chapter. Regulations

issued pursuant to section 1029 of this chapter may

include minimum qualifications for any national law

enforcement officer authorized to carry [firearms,]

weapons or ammunition [or dangerous devices] while on

duty.

[(2) Transfer of any firearm from or to a law enforcement officer or agency shall, except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, be subject to the provisions of this chapter and regulations made pursuant thereto.

(3)] (2) The head of any national [, state, or municipal] law enforcement agency of the Federated States of Micronesia shall furnish to the Department of Justice the names, addresses, ranks, and badge numbers or similar identification of each person on his or her force who is authorized to possess, use, and carry firearms in the course of his or her official duty. Upon the occurrence of any changes in personnel to whom this subsection applies, the head of the law enforcement agency shall inform the Department of

Justice promptly of the change. 1 Whenever a national law enforcement 2 3 officer is not engaged in official duties, this chapter, and any applicable state laws, regulations, or 4 ordinances, shall be applicable to him or her in the 5 6 same manner and to the same extent as to any other 7 person." 8 Section 9. Section 1010 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 10 follows: 11 12 "Section 1010. <u>Importation - Permits.</u> [<u>Licenses for</u> transfer-requirements. 13 Notwithstanding any restrictions in this 14 chapter, the Secretary may import weapons and 15 ammunition on behalf of the National Government, and 16 shall put in place such regulations, policies, and 17 18 procedures as may be necessary to ensure the safe and proper transfer, storage, carriage, and disposal of any 19 such weapons or ammunition, and to restrict the 20 21 carriage and use of such weapons to legitimate government purposes. [No dealer, manufacturer or 22 23 wholesaler shall transfer firearms, dangerous devices 24 or ammunition except pursuant to a license section as provided in this section.] 25

(2) Other than as provided in subsection (1), 1 2 aAny person, firm, corporation, association, government 3 agency, or other entity proposing to [engage in the business of selling] import weapons or [firearms,] 4 ammunition[, and] or [dangerous devices at retail] 5 shall apply for an import permit [dealer's license]. 6 7 The application shall be on a form approved by the 8 Department of Justice and shall contain the following 9 information: 10 the name and address of the applicant, including, if applicable, the address of 11 12 each separate location within the Federated States of 13 Micronesia at which the applicant proposes to do business pursuant to the [license] permit; 14 if the applicant is a partnership or 15 16 association, the names and addresses of the partners or associates, or if the applicant is a corporation, the 17 18 names and addresses of the officers and directors, and the names and addresses of any individuals who would be 19 20 responsible for the custody of any weapons under the 21 entity's control; and [such other] information bearing on 22 (C)

the applicant's eligibility to receive a permit

pursuant to section 1005, [ ability to operate the

business in a manner consonant with the public safety]

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1 and other such relevant information as the Department 2 of Justice may require." 3 Section 10. Section 1011 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: "Section 1011. [Dealer's license] Import Permit -8 Issuance [inssuance]. 9 (1)Upon receipt of a proper application and 10 payment of the prescribed fee, the Department of Justice shall, within sixty days, issue an import 11 12 permit [dealer's license] to an applicant, if he or she 13 is found to be eligible therefor pursuant to this chapter and any applicable regulations of the 14 Department of Justice. [Such regulations shall place a 15 reasonable limit on the number of dealer's licenses 16 17 available.] The [license] permit shall list the 18 quantity and types of [firearms,] weapons and ammunition[, and dangerous devices] which the [dealer] 19 20 applicant has been authorized to [offer for sale] 21 import, and the address where they will be received. A [license] permit issued pursuant to this 22 (2) 23 section shall be valid for [one year] six months from the date of its issuance, unless cancelled sooner [-24 suspended, or revoked. A [license] permit shall bear 25

1 the expiration date thereof on its face. [(3) A license issued pursuant to this section 2 3 may be renewed annually upon application by the holder made on a form approved by the Department of Justice. 4 - Eliqibility for renewal shall be on the same terms and 5 6 conditions as for an original license, except that renewal also may be denied on account of violation of 8 this chapter or regulations of the Department of 9 Justice made pursuant thereto or for any conduct in the 10 operation of the applicant's business which gives the Department of Justice grounds to believe that the 11 12 applicant will no longer operate in a manner consonant 13 with the public safety.] " Section 11. Section 1012 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 14 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 15 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 16 17 follows: 18 "Section 1012. Respect for state law. [<del>Dealer's</del> license - Conduct of dealer's business.] 19 20 The Department of Justice shall not issue (1) 21 any permit permitting the importation of any weapon or ammunition into a state where the possession of such 22 23 weapon or ammunition is prohibited by state law, or to a person prohibited from possessing such weapon or 24 25 ammunition under state law.

1	(2) On issuing a permit, the Department of
2	Justice shall transmit a copy to the relevant law
3	enforcement agency of the state where any weapons or
4	ammunition will be received. [The holder of a dealer's
5	<del>license shall:</del>
6	(1) display his or her license in a
7	conspicuous place at all times at the establishment
8	described in the license. If a dealer has more than
9	one place of business at which he or she sells
10	firearms, dangerous devices, and ammunition or any of
11	them, he or she shall display in the same manner a
12	certified copy of his or her license at each such
13	additional place of business;
14	(2) keep the records and file the reports
15	required by this chapter and regulations made pursuant
16	thereto;
17	(3) display no firearms, dangerous devices or
18	ammunition in any place where they can be seen from
19	outside the premises;
20	(4) keep all firearms, dangerous devices and
21	ammunition in a securely locked place at all times
22	except when they are actually being shown to a customer
23	or prospective customer or when actually being repaired
24	or otherwise worked on;
25	(5) permit only employees who are holders of

1 identification cards making them eligible to purchase, possess and use firearms, ammunition, or dangerous 2 3 devices, to have access to firearms, dangerous devices, or ammunition. ] " 4 Section 12. Section 1013 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 5 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: "Section 1013. Records and reports [by dealers.] 9 10 [Every licensed dealer shall maintain records containing an inventory of firearms, dangerous 11 12 devices, and ammunition or any of them received, 13 together with the name and address of the person from whom they were received, and the manufacturer, type and 14 serial number of each firearm and dangerous device, the 15 name and address of the person to whom it was 16 17 transferred, the identification card number of such 18 person, the manufacturer, type and serial number of the qun or dangerous device transferred and the date of 19 20 transfer. Such records shall be available for 21 inspection at all reasonable times by the Secretary, 22 and his or her duly designated representatives. Such 23 records shall be retained for at least five years. (2) Every person issued with an import permit 24 under this chapter [dealer, at the time of any transfer 25

1	of any firearm or dangerous device to any person other
2	than a licensed dealer] shall, within [twenty four
3	hours seven days of [the transfer] receipt of any
4	weapon or ammunition, supply the following information
5	to the Department of Justice on a form approved by it:
6	(a) the name $[\tau]$ and address of the person
7	from whom they were received [and license number of the
8	<pre>dealer];</pre>
9	(b) the manufacturer, type, and, where
10	applicable, serial number of any weapon or ammunition
11	received [firearm or dangerous device transferred]. No
12	firearm shall be transferred which does not have a
13	serial number or from which the serial number has been
14	removed, defaced, or altered;];
15	(c) the name $[\tau]$ and address $[and]$
16	identification card number] of the transferee."
17	Section 13. Section 1014 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
18	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
19	Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
20	follows:
21	"Section 1014. Reserved. [Repair of firearms.
22	(1) No person, other than a dealer or
23	manufacturer licensed pursuant to this chapter shall
24	repair firearms or accept the same for repair.
25	(2) No person shall accept any firearms for

1 repair unless he or she is shown an identification card evidencing eligibility of the holder to possess and use 2 3 a firearm of the type offered for repair. Prior to returning any such firearm, the manufacturer or dealer 4 shall make and keep a record identical with that 5 6 required for the purchase of a firearm pursuant to section 1013 of this chapter, and shall maintain such 8 record for at least one year.] 9 (3) Nothing in this section shall be construed 10 to prohibit the repair or maintenance of a firearm by the owner thereof. ]" 11 12 Section 14. Section 1015 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 13 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 14 follows: 15 "Section 1015. Reserved. [Transfer of ammunition. 16 17 (1) No person may transfer ammunition, unless 18 he or she is a manufacturer, wholesaler or dealer licensed pursuant to this chapter. If the transfer is 19 other than to another manufacturer, wholesaler, or 20 21 dealer, the transfer shall not be made until the transferor has ascertained that the transferee is the 22 23 holder of an identification card evidencing eligibility to possess and use a firearm of the type for which the 24 ammunition is suited. Upon transfer the transferor 25

1 shall record the quantity, type and caliber or gauge transferred, the name and address of the transferee and 2 the number of the transferee's identification card. 3 (2) No transferee of ammunition shall transfer 4 it to any person other than a dealer licensed pursuant 5 6 to this chapter. Upon receipt of ammunition, the dealer shall make and keep all records with respect to 8 the ammunition in the manner required by this section 9 for ammunition sold by him.]" Section 15. Section 1016 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 10 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 11 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 12 follows: 13 14 "Section 1016. Reserved. [Transfer of firearms and dangerous devices. No person other than a 15 manufacturer, wholesaler, or dealer licensed pursuant 16 to this chapter shall transfer a firearm or dangerous 17 18 device to any person other than a manufacturer, wholesaler, or dealer without first ascertaining that 19 20 the transferee is the holder of an identification card 21 issued pursuant to this chapter. Prior to any such transfer, the transferor shall furnish to the 22 23 Department of Justice in person or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, a properly 24 completed form approved by the Department of Justice 25

1	providing information equivalent to that required to be
2	furnished by a dealer upon the transfer by him of a
3	firearm or dangerous device.]"
4	Section 16. Section 1017 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
5	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
6	Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
7	follows:
8	"Section 1017. Reserved. [Secured transactions in
9	<u>firearms.</u>
LO	(1) No person, other than a licensed dealer,
L1	shall receive a firearm as a pledge or pawn, or in any
L2	other manner as security.
L3	(2) A dealer receiving a firearm as a pledge,
L4	pawn or otherwise as security, shall record promptly:
L5	(a) the date of receipt;
L6	(b) the full description of the item or
L7	items received, including the manufacturer, type, and
L8	serial number or numbers, if any;
L9	(c) the name and address of the person
20	making the pledge, pawn, or other deposit as security;
21	and
22	(d) the number of said person's
23	identification card.
24	(3) No dealer shall accept the pledge, pawn,
) 5	or other denogit as security unless the person making

1 the same exhibits an identification card evidencing his or her entitlement to possess and use a gun of the type 2 3 involved. (4) Upon the return or other disposition of 4 the firearm in his or her possession pursuant to this 5 section, the dealer shall make a record of the return or other disposition, including the date thereof and 8 the name and address of the person to whom the firearm 9 was returned or disposed. No firearm shall be returned 10 or disposed of to any person who, at the time of such return or disposition, does not exhibit a valid 11 12 identification card issued in his or her own name and 13 entitling him to possess and use the firearm involved. 1" 14 Section 17. Section 1018 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 15 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 16 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 17 18 follows: "Section 1018. Reserved. [Manufacturer's and 19 20 wholesaler's license. 21 (1) No person shall manufacture or deal in firearms, dangerous devices, or ammunition at wholesale 22 23 unless: (a) he or she is the holder of a dealer's 24 license issued pursuant to section 1011 of this 25

1	<del>chapter; or</del>
2	(b) he or she is the holder of a license
3	issued pursuant to this section.
4	(2) Any person proposing to manufacture or
5	deal at wholesale in firearms, dangerous devices, or
6	ammunition, which person is not the holder of a
7	dealer's license, shall make application for a
8	manufacturer's or wholesaler's license. Such
9	application shall contain the same information required
10	for a dealer's license and any additional information
11	required by the Secretary, as may be appropriate to
12	administer this chapter. No manufacturer's license or
13	wholesaler's license shall authorize transfer or
14	delivery within the Federated States of Micronesia
15	except to a licensed dealer, manufacturer, or
16	wholesaler or to an authorized law enforcement agency
17	in the Federated States of Micronesia or, subject to
18	applicable laws of the Federated States of Micronesia,
19	<del>for export.</del>
20	(3) The Department of Justice shall issue,
21	renew, cancel, deny, suspend, or revoke manufacturers!
22	and wholesalers' licenses on the same terms and subject
23	to the same conditions as provided for
24	dealers'licenses.
25	(4) Every manufacturer shall assign a unique

1	serial number to each firearm he or she manufactures
2	and shall inscribe such number in or on the firearm in
3	such manner as will resist removal, alteration,
4	defacement or obliteration. The Department of Justice
5	may make regulations for the style of such serial
6	numbers and for the manner of their inscription.]"
7	Section 18. Section 1019 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
8	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
9	Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
10	follows:
11	"Section 1019. Reserved. [Registry of firearms and
12	ammunition.
13	(1) The Department of Justice shall maintain a
14	registry of firearms. The records in the registry
15	shall be kept permanently unless there is a record of
16	the destruction of the gun.
17	(2) Records kept in the registry shall include
18	all records required to be filed with the Department of
19	Justice pursuant to this chapter, copies of all records
20	filed with an agency or officer of local government
21	pursuant to this chapter, and any records deposited
22	with the Department of Justice pursuant to subsection
23	(3) of this section.
24	(3) Any dealer, manufacturer, or wholesaler
25	licensed pursuant to this chapter, upon his or her

1 discontinuance of the licensed business or activity, shall transmit all records kept by him pursuant to this 2 3 chapter to the Department of Justice. (4) Records relating to the transfer or repair 4 of firearms shall be kept by the Department of Justice 5 for a period of at least five years after transmittal. 6 (5) Records in the registry shall not be 8 public records. They shall be made available only to 9 law enforcement officers of the national, state and 10 municipal governments of the Federated States of Micronesia, or at the discretion of the Department of 11 Justice, to law enforcement officers and agencies of 12 foreign governments.]" 13 Section 19. Section 1020 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 14 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 15 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 16 17 follows: 18 "Section 1020. Cancellation, denial, [suspension] and revocation of [licenses] permits. 19 20 (1)[Any license issued pursuant to this 21 chapter shall be surrendered for cancellation immediately on the discontinuance or termination of 22 23 business or upon the holder's discontinuing the manufacturing, selling, acquisition for sale or repair 24 of firearms, and the sale of ammunition. 25

(2) The issuing officer or agency may deny[7 suspend] or revoke [an identification card or] a [license] permit issued pursuant to this chapter for failure of the applicant or holder to meet or continue to meet any of the requirements for eligibility therefor, or for any violation of this chapter or regulations in force pursuant thereto.

[(3)] (2) The Department of Justice by regulation shall make classifications of crimes and other violations of this chapter or regulations in force thereunder. Regulations made pursuant to this subsection shall set forth those crimes and violations for which [identification cards and licenses] permits may be [suspended or] revoked, and those for which the penalty must be revocation. Such regulations shall be of general application.

[(4) Any person who, by reason of the suspension or revocation of his or her identification card, is no longer eligible to continue in possession of a firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition shall surrender any and all firearms, dangerous devices, and ammunition to the Secretary, or his or her duly designated representative, or shall dispose of the firearms, dangerous devices, and ammunition forthwith under the direction and supervision of the Secretary,

1 or his or her duly designated representative. In the case of suspension of an identification card, the owner 2 3 of the firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition may request that the Department of Justice keep same during 4 5 the period of suspension and, except as herein 6 provided, the firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition shall be restored to the owner when he or she again 8 becomes eligible to possess same and requests return. 9 -Any firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition in the 10 possession of the Secretary, or his or her duly designated representative, pursuant to this subsection 11 12 may be disposed of, without compensation to the owner, 13 upon revocation of the suspended identification card or at the end of sixty days after receipt or the date of 14 termination of the suspension, whichever is later. 15 -However, if proceedings in connection with the 16 17 suspension or revocation are not yet finally 18 determined, disposal shall not be until such final determination has been made. 19 20 (5) (3) Any denial [, suspension,] or revocation 21 of [an identification card or] a [license] permit shall be subject to review by the Trial Division of the FSM 22 23 Supreme Court upon petition by the aggrieved person." Section 1021 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 24 Section 20. Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by

1 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as

2 follows:

- "Section 1021. Shipment and delivery of [firearms, dangerous devices,] weapons and ammunition.
  - (1) No person shall ship, transport or deliver any [firearm, dangerous device,] weapons or ammunition from outside the Federated States of Micronesia to anyone other than a licensed manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or person who possesses a valid import permit for such weapons and ammunition [identification card].
  - delivers [firearms or dangerous devices to a manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or] weapons or ammunition [person possessing an identification card] into the Federated States of Micronesia shall, before delivery, furnish to the Department of Justice an invoice listing his or her name and address, the name and address of the [manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or] person [possessing the identification card] to whom such [firearms or dangerous devices] weapons or ammunition are to be delivered, the place of origin of the shipment, and the [number of firearms and dangerous devices] manufacturer and quantity of weapons or ammunition of each type [, and the manufacturer and serial number of each firearm and dangerous devices] in

1 the shipment.

(3) [Any person who ships, transports or delivers ammunition to a manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer or person possessing an identification card in the Federated States of Micronesia shall, before delivery, furnish to the Department of Justice an invoice listing his or her name and address, the name and address of the manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or person possessing an identification card to whom the ammunition is to be delivered, the place of origin of the shipment, and the quantity of ammunition of each type in the shipment].

of the invoice required by subsection[s] (2) [and (3)] of this section shall also be delivered to the common carrier. The common carrier shall deliver the invoice and any said shipment to local law enforcement authorities who will verify the accuracy of the shipment, and compliance with this chapter, before delivery to the [manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or] person possessing an identification card. A copy of the invoice shall be left with the [manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or] person possessing a [n identification card] permit at the time of delivery.

 $[\frac{(5)}{(4)}]$  If shipment is by other than common

1 carrier, a copy of the invoice shall be furnished to the [manufacturer, wholesaler, dealer, or] person 2 3 possessing a[n] [identification card] permit at the time of delivery. 4  $[\frac{(6)}{(6)}]$  (5) No person shall ship, transport, or 5 deliver [firearms, dangerous devices,] weapons or 6 7 ammunition via air without first complying with 8 international regulations pertaining to air shipment of 9 [firearms, dangerous devices,] weapons or ammunition." Section 21. Section 1022 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 10 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 11 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 12 follows: 13 14 "Section 1022. Reserved. [Loss, destruction or theft of firearms or dangerous devices. Whoever owns or 15 possesses a firearm, dangerous device, or ammunition 16 17 shall, within twenty-four hours of discovery, notify 18 the Department of Justice of the loss, theft, or destruction of any such firearm, dangerous device or 19 20 ammunition, and, after such notice, of any subsequent 21 recovery thereof.]" Section 22. Section 1023 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 22 23 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 24 25 follows:

1	"Section 1023. <u>Prohibited acts.</u> No person shall:
2	(1) [knowingly remove, obliterate, or alter
3	the importer's or manufacturer's serial number of any
4	<pre>firearm;</pre>
5	(2) knowingly deface, alter, or destroy an
6	identification card;
7	(3) acquire, possess, or use] import any
8	firearm silencer or muffler;
9	[ <del>(4) carry any gun or dangerous device while</del>
LO	under the influence of alcohol or narcotic or other
11	disabling drug;
L2	(5) (2) import[, sell, transfer, give away,
L3	purchase, possess or use] any handgun, automatic
L4	weapon, rifle larger than .22 caliber, or shotgun
L5	larger than .410 gauge, or any other firearm;
L6	$[\frac{(6)}{(3)}]$ board or attempt to board any
L7	commercial aircraft while carrying any [firearm,
L8	dangerous device, weapon or ammunition, either on his
19	or her person or in his or her luggage. Such [firearm,
20	dangerous device, weapon or ammunition shall be turned
21	in prior to departure to an appropriate official or to
22	the pilot of the airline or aircraft concerned, who
23	shall keep a record of the name of the person turning
24	in such [firearm, dangerous device,] weapon or
>5	ammunition and the type and quantity turned in Upon

completion of such person's travel, the official of the airline or pilot of the aircraft shall personally deliver the article or articles turned in to the Secretary, or his or her duly designated representative, or another authorized law enforcement officer, at the point of disembarkation. If the point of disembarkation is in the Federated States of Micronesia, such person may recover the article or articles turned in upon either:

(a) [presentation of a valid

identification card or license for such article or

articles to the police officer having custody thereof]

providing proof of compliance with the relevant laws of

all states in which the article or articles were or

will be kept or transported or, if the point of

embarkation was outside the Federated States of

Micronesia, a valid import permit, or

(b) departure from the Federated States of Micronesia; provided, however, that persons departing the Federated States of Micronesia via commercial aircraft shall be subject to the provisions of this section;

[<del>(7)</del>] <u>(4)</u> use or attempt to use any [<del>firearm,</del> dangerous device,] weapon or ammunition in connection with or in aid of the commission of any crime against

the laws of the Federated States of Micronesia, except 1 2 those set forth under other provisions of this 3 chapter." 4 Section 23. Section 1024 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 8 "Section 1024. Forfeiture. All [firearms, dangerous 9 devices, or] weapons and ammunition unlawfully [possessed, carried, used,] shipped, transported or 10 delivered into the Federated States of Micronesia are 11 12 declared to be inimical to the public safety and are forfeited to the Federated States of Micronesia. 13 14 such forfeited articles are taken from any person, they shall be surrendered to the Department of Justice. 15 Section 24. Section 1025 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 16 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by 17 18 Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as 19 follows: 20 Section 1025. Closing of establishments during 21 emergencies. In case of emergency concerning the public safety declared by the President, pursuant to 22 23 chapter 8 of this title, all establishments dealing in [quns, dangerous devices,] weapons or ammunition may be 24

ordered closed and required to remain closed during the

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1 continuance of the emergency. During any such closure, any and all [quns, dangerous devices,] weapons and 2 3 ammunition belonging to or in the keeping of a closed establishment may be impounded." 4 Section 25. Section 1026 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the 5 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 9 "Section 1026. Reserved. [Registration of weapons 10 possessed on effective date of chapter. (1) Any person having in his or her possession 11 12 a firearm or dangerous device on the effective date of 13 this chapter shall, within ninety days of such 14 effective date, furnish, on a form approved by the Department of Justice, to the agency or officer 15 authorized to receive information concerning the 16 17 transfer of firearms or dangerous devices pursuant to 18 this chapter, equivalent information concerning any firearm or dangerous device in his or her possession. 19 20 (2) If, prior to the expiration of the ninety 21 day period provided in subsection (1) of this section, the firearm is transferred, the transferor shall comply 22 23 with the provisions of this chapter for furnishing of information on transfer and need not comply with 24 subsection (1) of this section.] " 25

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        Section 26. Section 1027 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
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   Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
   Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
   follows:
            "Section 1027.
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                            Reserved.
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            compensation for weapons held on effective date by
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            ineligible persons. Any person who possessed any
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            firearm or dangerous device in the Federated States of
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            Micronesia prior to the effective date of this chapter,
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            and who is determined to be ineligible to possess or is
            prohibited from possessing such firearm or dangerous
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            device under this chapter, shall tender such firearm or
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            dangerous device to the Secretary or his or her duly
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            designated representative within ninety days of the
            effective date of this chapter and be reasonably
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            compensated therefor.]"
        Section 27. Section 1028 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
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   Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
   Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
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   follows:
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            "Section 1028.
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            shall be deemed to prevent any state or municipal
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            government from further restricting, by local law or
            ordinance, the transfer, possession, use, or carriage
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            of firearms, ammunition, or dangerous devices.] This
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            chapter shall supersede all state laws and municipal
            ordinances in conflict with this act."
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        Section 28. Section 1029 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
   Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
   Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
   follows:
            "Section 1029. Regulations. The Secretary shall have
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            power to issue, amend, and repeal regulations
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            implementing this chapter in the manner which is or may
            be provided by law, as may be required by the public
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            interest, safety, and welfare."
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        Section 29. Section 1030 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
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   Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
   Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
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   follows:
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            "Section 1030. Fees for permits [licenses and
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            <u>identification cards</u>].
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                         The Secretary shall, by regulation, set
            reasonable fees for the issuance of import permits.
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            [fees for issuance and renewal of licenses and
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            identification cards as required by this chapter shall
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                         (a) for an identification card, $5;
                         (b) for a dealer's license, $150;
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                         (c) for a manufacturer's license, $500;
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1	(d) for a wholesaler's license, \$500;
2	(e) for replacement of lost, destroyed,
3	or defaced identification card, \$5.
4	(2) Fees collected pursuant to the provisions
5	of this chapter shall be paid to the General Fund of
6	the Federated States of Micronesia."
7	Section 30. Section 1031 of chapter 10 of title 11 of the
8	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by
9	Public Law No. 11-72, is hereby further amended to read as
10	follows:
11	"Section 1031. Penalties for violation of chapter.
12	[(1) Any person convicted of a violation of
13	section 1007 or section 1022 of this act shall be
14	imprisoned for not more than one year.
15	$\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ ] Any person convicted of a violation of any
16	[other] provision of this chapter or any regulations
17	issued pursuant thereto shall be imprisoned for not
18	more than ten years, and shall be subject to
19	confiscation of any [firearm, dangerous device,] weapon
20	or ammunition, without compensation, involved in a
21	violation of this act. [The holder of any dealer's
22	license, or the manager or supervisor of employees of
23	any establishment so licensed, or both, shall be liable
24	for any violation of this act by his or her employee or
25	agent committed in the course of the dealer's hyginess

1	to the same extent as such employee or agent.
2	(3) It shall be an affirmative defense under
3	subsection (1) of this section, that the defendant was
4	issued a valid identification card before the time of
5	his or her arrest, but neglected to have it upon his or
6	her person.]"
7	Section 31. <u>Effective date</u> . This act shall become
8	effective on October 1, 2015.
9	Section 32. This act shall become law upon approval by
10	the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
11	becoming law without such approval.
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13	Date: 3/28/12 Introduced by: /s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
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