The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

May 31, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker
18\text{th} FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which have become public laws without signature:

Public Law No. 18-63, Congressional Act No. 18-65, “AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Public Law No. 18-64, Congressional Act No. 18-67, “AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77; 17-86, 18-21 AND 18-29, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Public Law No. 18-65, Congressional Act No. 18-68, “AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36 AND 18-60, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Public Law No. 18-66, Congressional Act No. 18-69, “AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-50, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Public Law No. 18-67, Congressional Act No. 18-64, “AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND 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 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”
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The above congressional acts have changed the various appropriations for public project and social programs in their amount, purpose, and allottee of funds. Although the changes do not involve any increase in the allocation of funds among the four States, still the changes have adverse consequences on the effective implementation of public projects and social programs.

Upon review, the Acts reveal the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings.

2. Except for Congressional Act No. 18-64, all the Congressional Acts do not have committee reports.

3. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress in appropriating funds for the public projects and social programs, and create difficulties in implementing them, such as tracking of the numerous changes that have occurred over multiple fiscal years.

4. Most of the changes of recipients and use of funds are without clear justification and reasoning behind the changes.

The above Acts are examples of defective appropriation of public projects and social programs. As I stated in prior transmittals, it would be most helpful if Congress would set a policy limiting the subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems outlined above. All the above acts involve more than 3 amendments. In fact, the most number of amendments is 16.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
President

Enclosures:

[Names and titles of individuals and entities]

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May 21, 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. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND 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 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2014, 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

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An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND 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 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL
DATE: MAY 16, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
FIRST READING: MAY 19, 2014
SECOND READING: MAY 20, 2014

Liwiana Ramon Ipanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 18-64

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-168)

We hereby certify that on May 20 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular 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.

Dohsis Halbert
Speaker
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
AN ACT

To further amend 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 and 18-17, by amending section 1 thereof, to change the use of certain funds previously appropriated therein for the State of Yap, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of 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 and 17-40, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. The sum of $3,780,000, or so much thereof, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, for the purpose of funding public projects and social programs in each State of the Federated States of Micronesia. The fund shall be apportioned on the basis of $250,000 or less per member of Congress as follows, PROVIDED THAT an increase of $300,000 is for Yap State.

(1) State of Kosrae .................. $ 500,000
   (a) High School lunch program and past expenses incurred relating to the implementation of the program .......... 48,000
   (b) Bachelor degree program ........... 80,000
1. (c) Lelu Community projects/programs $10,000
2. (d) Malem Community projects/
3. programs ........................................ 10,000
4. (e) Utwe Community projects/
5. programs ........................................ 10,000
6. (f) Tafunsak Community projects/
7. programs ........................................ 10,000
8. (g) Kosrae Women Association............ 10,000
9. (h) Promotion and travel for
10. Tourism Office ............................... 10,000
11. (i) Kosrae State Government subsidy. 100,000
12. (j) Medical referrals for
13. non-insured and non-employed Kosraeans .... 20,000
PROVIDED THAT reprogramming of this
14. funding is not allowed
15. (k) Supplemental funding for fuel
16. for Caroline Voyager ....................... -0-
17. (l) Tafunsak multipurpose
18. building renovation .......................... 20,000
19. (m) Laptop Computers for Schools:
20. (i) Lelu Elementary School..... 1,250
21. (ii) Tafunsak Elementary School. 1,250
22. (iii) Malem Elementary School.... 1,250
23. (iv) Utwa Elementary School..... 1,250
24. (v) Walung Elementary School... 1,250
(vi) Sansrik Elementary School. $ 1,250
(vii) SDA School .................. 1,250
(viii) Kosrae High School ......... 1,250

(n) Kosrae Senior Citizens Meeting Halls
   (i) Lelu Senior Citizen ......... 30,000
   (ii) Tafunsak Senior Citizen ... 30,000
   (iii) Malem Senior Citizen ...... 30,000
   (iv) Utwa Senior Citizen ........ 30,000

(o) Supplemental funding for
   a Master's Degree Program .......... 8,000
   (p) Tafunsak Youths' musical instruments 5,000
   (q) KCSO's subsidy .................. 5,000
   (r) National Government debts to
      ABCOR Construction ................ 12,000

(s) Kosrae Women Christian Associations
   (i) Lelu Women Christian
   Association ........................ 2,000
   (ii) Tafunsak Women Christian
   Association ........................ 2,000
   (iii) Malem Women Christian
   Association ........................ 2,000
   (iv) Utwa Women Christian
   Association ........................ 2,000
   (v) Walung Women Christian
   Association ........................ 2,000
1 equipment ........................................ $ 25,000

2 (xiv) Seawall and Taro

3 Patchs Protection ................................. 10,000

4 (xv) Multipurpose building

5 repair and renovation ......................... 5,000

6 (xvi) Feeding program ......................... 10,000

7 (xvii) Medical referral and

8 repatriation of remains ...................... 10,000

9 (xviii) OCHAP Community

10 Hall Construction ............................. 5,000

11 (xix) Tonoas Municipal Government

12 inauguration activities ...................... 1,000

13 (xx) Udot Municipal Government

14 inauguration activities ...................... 1,000

15 (xxi) Kuttu Municipal Government

16 inauguration activities ...................... 1,000

17 (b) Election District No. 1

18 (i) Students' Financial Assistance

19 (ii) Mortlock Development

20 Commission outstanding debts (past and

21 present) ........................................... 8,119

22 (iii) Municipal Governments' subsidy

23 a. Ta Municipality ............ 3,000

24 (iv) Community Housing improvement/

25 freight or charter ......................... 45,000

10 of 15
(v) Leadership Conference..... $15,000

(vi) Leadership travel............. 10,000

(vii) Youth musical instruments..  0-

(viii) Housing Improvement........ 21,881

(ix) Transportation needs........ 5,851

(x) CSCIP......................... 4,149

(xi) Sea transportation assistance .......................... 7,200

(xii) Mortlock Development

Community operation..................... 22,800

(xiii) Pou (Weno) Community Center Improvement .................................... 0-

(xiv) Health and Sanitary project 11,000

(xv) ED #1 Operation............... 11,000

(xvi) Administrative Support

costs for Delegation ..................... 0-

(xvii) Food Relief Assistance..... 0-

(xviii) Solar system project....... 85,000

(c) Election District No. 2

(i) Basketball court.............. 7,000

(ii) Meeting Halls

(a) Neoram, Nepukos........... 10,000

(b) Faichu, Eor................. 6,000

(c) Faramas, Sapuk............. 4,000

(d) Neinifach, Mwan........ 5,000
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(vii) Low income housing grant... 40,000
(viii) Joongkumi fishing project... 40,000
(ix) Fiberglass boats repair.... 10,000
(x) Food relief.................... 10,000
(xi) Land transportation........... 20,000
(xii) Poelle Municipal subsidy.... 10,000
(xiii) ED #4 office operation..... 30,000
xiv) Famachaw farming project... 10,000
(xv) Medical referrals &
repatriation of remains............ 10,000
(f) Election District No. 5
(i) POL & Charter................. 59,000
(ii) Food Relief.................... 13,846
(iii) Rental office space, office
supplies and equipment, communication and
utilities............................... 5,000
(iv) Students' Financial
Assistance............................. -0-
(v) Medical referral,
pharmaceuticals and repatriation of
remains............................... 14,426
(vi) CSCTP......................... 5,000
(vii) Operations (ED #5)......... 26,728
(viii) Project Management....... 20,000
(ix) On the job training subsidy $ 0-

(x) Land Acquisition for the
people of Halls, Weito and Pattiw Islands .. 71,000

PROVIDED THAT the allottee of this specific
funding shall deposit the funds into the
Special Funds within the General Fund of
the Federated States of Micronesia for
Chuuk Election District No. 5 established
pursuant to Public Law No. 13-83.

(xi) Land filling in Weno........ 0-

(xii) Transportation needs........ 15,000

Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the
President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
becoming law without such approval.

____________________________, 2014

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia