



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 19-576
FSM CONGRESS

March 30, 2017

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

Dear Speaker Simina:

I hereby return the following congressional act, which was repassed and became Public Law No. 19-155:

Congressional Act No. 19-158: "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-85, TO RESTRICT ANY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATED OR PROPOSED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON COMPACT REVIEW AND PLANNING (JCRP) TO TITLE TWO ECONOMIC PROVISIONS OF THE AMENDED COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Sincerely,


Peter M. Christman
President

Enclosure:

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court





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March 29, 2017



His Excellency Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 19-158, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-85 TO RESTRICT ANY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATED OR PROPOSED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON COMPACT REVIEW AND PLANNING (JCRP) TO TITLE TWO ECONOMIC PROVISIONS OF THE AMENDED COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was repassed on March 28, by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Eighth Special Session, 2017, by a three-fourths vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures

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PUBLIC LAW No. 19- 155



NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
EIGHTH SPECIAL SESSION
MARCH 27 – APRIL 05, 2017

An Act

TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-85 TO RESTRICT ANY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATED OR PROPOSED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON COMPACT REVIEW AND PLANNING (JCRP) TO TITLE TWO ECONOMIC PROVISIONS OF THE AMENDED COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY: SENATOR WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: JANUARY 27, 2017

REPASSED: MARCH 28, 2017

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis", is written over a horizontal line.

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



Office of the Speaker

CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

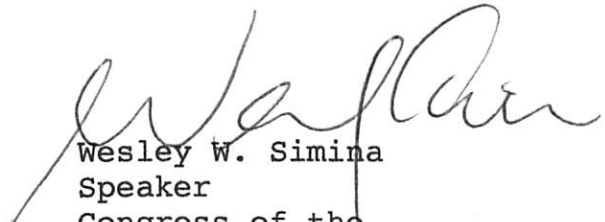
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ACT NO. 19-158

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 19-256)

I hereby certify that on March 28 the foregoing act was repassed by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Eighth Special Session, 2017, by a three-fourths vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 2(q), of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.


Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SIXTH REGULAR SESSION, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 19-256

AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 19-85 to restrict any negotiations with the United States contemplated or proposed by the Joint Committee on Compact Review and Planning (JCRP) to Title Two Economic Provisions of the Amended Compact of Free Association, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 19-85 is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "Section 4. Mandate. The JCRP shall carry out the
4 following responsibilities and obligations:

5 (1) In consultation with the Congress, set goals and
6 objectives in anticipation of the termination of the
7 financial provisions of the Amended Compact of Free
8 Association;

9 (2) Conduct a thorough analysis of all factors
10 relating the future of the Nation;

11 (3) Develop all necessary strategies and approaches
12 to enable the Federated States of Micronesia to explore
13 alternatives for the future of the Nation; provided that
14 any contemplated or proposed negotiations with the
15 United States related to the Amended Compact of Free
16 Association be limited solely to Title Two Economic
17 Provisions;

18 (4) Direct its Secretariat in preparing the

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1 documentation necessary to accomplish its
2 responsibilities hereunder;

3 (5) Analyze all economic information available on the
4 Federated States of Micronesia, with the aim of
5 identifying the FSM's continuing requirement for
6 reasonable, fair, and effective financial assistance
7 from all sources from the year 2023 onward;

8 (6) Provide reports periodically to the Congress at
9 each regular session, and to the Office of the
10 President, on all developments, actual or potential,
11 positive or negative, that may be related to the future
12 of the Nation, including but not limited to new
13 information, actions, communications, domestic and
14 foreign policies, bilateral and multilateral plans, as
15 well as periodic surveys exploring the value of net
16 benefits to a foreign nation from an exclusive security
17 prerogative; and

18 (7) Collaborate with the State Governments, the
19 Department of Foreign Affairs, the Congress, and the
20 Office of the President in identifying the nominees for
21 the JCRP whose selection will be subject to Congress's
22 expressed approval; and

23 (8) Use funds for each separate category of expense
24 only up to the aggregate amount of the line-items of the
25 corresponding expense category set out in the associated

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

10 _____, 2017

14 Override

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