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A RESOLUTION

Requesting the United States Secretary of the Department of the Interior to effectuate changes in Secretarial Order No. 3039, amendment No. 1, to allow each of the three constitutional governments of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to assume the operations and administration of their portion of the Trust Territory Social Security System.

1 WHEREAS, it is the stated policy of the United States Government
2 to terminate the Trusteeship Agreement, which created the Trust
3 Territory of the Pacific Islands, and to recognize the Republic of the
4 Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, and the Federated States of
5 Micronesia as self-governing constitutional nations; and

6 WHEREAS, the Compact of Free Association has been signed by all
7 four Governments; and

8 WHEREAS, on the effective date of the Compact of Free Association
9 the Trust Territory Social Security System will no longer exist; and

10 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the three nations evolving from the
11 trusteeship to continue the current Social Security System within their
12 own nations as a discrete program; and

13 WHEREAS, this will require legislative action, administrative
14 organization and training, and actuarial activities prior to the trans-
15 fer of the apportioned assets of the Trust Territory Social Security
16 Trust Fund in a way to adequately assure the continued security of the
17 fund; and

18 WHEREAS, the United Nations Development Program has provided help
19 and assistance in outlining the necessary steps and precautions needed
20 to devolve the current system; and

21 WHEREAS, the administration of the current Trust Territory Social
22 Security System has indicated its willingness to assist in the train-
23 ing of personnel and in the orderly transition of responsibilities to
24 the constitutional governments; and

25 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia has

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1 before it legislation to provide for the orderly devolution of its
2 share of the Trust Territory Social Security System to the Federated
3 States of Micronesia; and

4 WHEREAS, Secretarial Order No. 3039, amendment No. 1, requires
5 concurrent actions by the three constitutional entities for any
6 amendments to the current system and does not provide for the separate
7 devolution of the Trust Territory Social Security System to the three
8 nations; and

9 WHEREAS, time is of the essence to assure an orderly and fiscally
10 responsible apportioned transition of the current system to the three
11 nations comprising the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; now,
12 therefore,

13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Second Congress of the Federated States of
14 Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 1982, that the Congress requests
15 the United States Secretary of the Department of the Interior to
16 effectuate changes in Secretarial Order No. 3039, amendment No. 1, to
17 allow each of the three constitutional governments of the Trust Terri-
18 tory of the Pacific Islands to assume the operations and administration
19 of their portion of the Trust Territory Social Security System; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be
21 transmitted to the United States Secretary of the Department of the
22 Interior, the President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the
23 President of the Republic of Palau, the High Commissioner of the Trust

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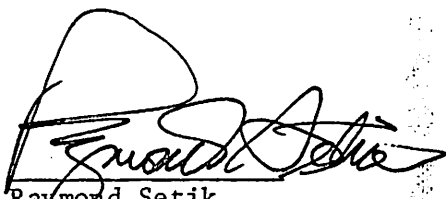
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1 Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Board of Directors of the
2 Trust Territory Social Security System, and the President of the
3 Federated States of Micronesia.

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