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SEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 1992

c.r. no. 7-76

A RESOLUTION

Respectfully requesting the President to reopen discussions with the United States Government on the Compact of Free Association and related agreements regarding regulations of and restrictions on U.S. Air carriers entering the Federated States of Micronesia.

- 1 WHEREAS, article IX of the Federal Programs and Services
- 2 Agreement concluded pursuant to article II and section 232 of
- 3 the Compact of Free Association prohibits the Federated States
- 4 of Micronesia from regulating fares or otherwise restricting or
- 5 impairing U.S. air carriers entering this country; and
- 6 WHEREAS, article IX of the Federal Programs and Services
- 7 Agreement concluded pursuant to article II and section 232 of the
- 8 Compact of Free Association apparently prevents the Federated
- 9 States of Micronesia from protecting itself against arbitrary
- 10 acts of U.S. air carriers entering this country; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia has specific
- 12 developmental goals including, but not limited to, securing a
- 13 minimum level of air services, increasing tourism, air freighting
- 14 tuna to Japan, controlling airfare increases, developing a
- 15 domestic air service, obtaining Micronesian executive employment
- 16 opportunities, evacuating medical patients, and so forth, all of
- 17 which require air carrier assistance; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia desires to have
- 19 airlines serving this country commit to providing specific
- 20 development-related services; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia desires to
- 22 maintain control over users and use of its airspace; now,
- 23 therefore,
- 24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Congress of the Federated
- 25 States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 1992, that the

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- 1 Congress hereby respectfully requests the President of the
- 2 Federated States of Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of
- 3 External Affairs to take immediate steps to reopen discussions with
- the Government of the United States of America; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such discussions shall be for the 5
- purpose of removing provisions from article IX of the Federal
- Programs and Services Agreement concluded pursuant to article II
- and section 232 of the Compact of Free Association, and any
- other source, which restrict the Federated States of Micronesia
- 10 from regulating U.S. air carriers entering this country; and
- 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President and Secretary of the
- Department of External Affairs commence activities to set up these 12
- bilateral discussions immediately upon receipt of this resolution; and
- 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President and Secretary of the
- Department of External Affairs report their findings to the Congress
- no later than the commencement of the Third Regular Session of the
- Seventh Congress in May, 1992; and 17
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution 18
- be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of 19
- Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs.

Date: 2/3/92 Introduced by: Wagner M. Lawrence

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