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SEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 1991

C. R. No. 7-31

A RESOLUTION

To ratify the treaty between the Federated States of Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea concerning maritime boundaries between the Federated States of Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea signed on July 29, 1991.

1 WHEREAS, the treaty set the permanent boundary of the
2 Economic Zone or fishing zone between the Federated States of
3 Micronesia and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea; and

4 WHEREAS, the Exclusive Economic Zone or fishing zone means
5 the area over which each party has sovereign rights for the
6 purpose of the exploring and exploiting, conserving and managing
7 the natural resources, whether living or non-living, of the
8 waters within the area not exceeding 200 nautical miles from the
9 appropriate base line in accordance with the United Nations
10 Convention on the Law of the Sea; and

11 WHEREAS, the 200 nautical mile Exclusive Economic Zone or
12 fishing zone of each party overlaps the other party's zone; and

13 WHEREAS, the annexes which are integral parts of the treaty
14 set the equitable median lines of the Exclusive Economic Zones
15 or fishing zones of the Federated States of Micronesia and the
16 Independent State of Papua New Guinea; now, therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Congress of the Federated
18 States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 1991, that pursuant
19 to section 4 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated
20 States of Micronesia, the Congress hereby ratifies the treaty on
21 maritime boundaries between the Federated States of Micronesia
22 and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea signed on July 29,
23 1991; and

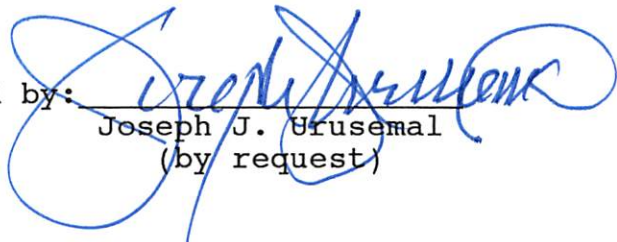
24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of this resolution
25 the Secretary of External Affairs shall, when appropriate,

1 pursuant to article 9 of the treaty, exchange with the
2 Independent State of Papua New Guinea instruments of
3 ratification; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
5 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
6 States of Micronesia.

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