

# The President

Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 2063
FSM CONGRESS

July 20, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina Speaker Twenthieth 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. 20-20:

Congressional Act No. 20-16, entitled "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 389 UNDER CHAPTER 3 OF TITLE 21 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE OPEN ACCESS ENTITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Peter M. Christian
President

Sincerely.

Enclosure:

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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July /8 , 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. 20-16, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 389 UNDER CHAPTER 3 OF TITLE 21 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED) AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE OPEN ACCESS ENTITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was repassed on July 14, by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 2017, by a three-fourths 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

Enclosures



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ACT NO. 20-16

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-15, C.D.1)

I hereby certify that on July 14 the foregoing act was repassed by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First 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.

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Wesley W. Simina

Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

## AN ACT

To amend section 389 under Chapter 3 of title 21 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated) as amended, pertaining to assets and liabilities of the Open Access Entity, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 389 of title 21 of the Code of the Section 1.
- 2 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby
- 3 further amended to read as follows:
- "Section 389. Establishment of Open Access Entity and 4 authority to acquire assets and assume liabilities and 5 obligations. 6
- (1) Should the Secretary certify that it is in the 7 interests of the Federated States of Micronesia for a corporation owned by the Government to be established 9 under this section in order to own and operate submarine 10 and terrestrial cable assets within the Federated States 11 of Micronesia or serving the Federated States of 12 Micronesia (the Open Access Entity), the corporation 13 shall be deemed to be established as at the vesting 14 date, and with such assets and liabilities, specified in 15 such certificate. 16
  - (2) The Open Access Entity shall provide international and domestic connectivity for the transmission of data for communications services as a

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1	wholesaler but not at retail. Such connectivity shall
2	be provided on non-discriminatory and cost-based terms;
3	PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Open Access Entity shall
4	provide connectivity free of charge to the Corporation,
5	established by Section 202 of Title 21 of the Code of
6	the Federated States of Micronesia, from Pohnpei to
7	Chuuk and Chuuk to Guam on terms substantially similar
8	to those demanded by the Open Access Entity from the
9	Corporation on the HANTRU1 Cable System.
10	(3) The assets, liabilities and obligations referred
11	to in a certificate issued under subsection (1) or any
12	amending or supplementary certificate issued by the
13	Secretary may be described specifically or by class, and
14	no objection shall be taken in any court to the accuracy

or completeness of such description.

(4) Nothing in this section shall restrict or prevent the Open Access Entity from acquiring other assets or undertaking other activities that in the opinion of the board of the Open Access Entity are required in order to provide the services referred to in subsection (2)."

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PUBLIC LAW No. 20- 20

1	Section	2.	This act shall become law upon approval by the
2	President of	the	Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
3	becoming law	with	hout such approval.
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