

A RESOLUTION

Approving the transmittal of the revised Strategic Development Plan to the Joint Economic Management Committee as required under the terms of the amended Compact.

1       WHEREAS, section 211(c) of the amended Compact of Free  
2 Association with the United States requires the Federated States  
3 of Micronesia to prepare and maintain an official development plan  
4 that is strategic in nature (the "SDP"), which plan, insofar as  
5 Compact grant funds are involved, is subject to the concurrence of  
6 the United States; and

7       WHEREAS, by Presidential Communication No. 13-229, dated  
8 December 10, 2004, the President of the Federated States of  
9 Micronesia transmitted for consideration by Congress a draft SDP  
10 (the "Draft SDP"); and

11       WHEREAS, the Thirteenth Congress, on December 16, 2004,  
12 adopted Congressional Resolution No. 13-163, authorizing the  
13 President to submit the Draft SDP to the United States on a  
14 provisional basis, subject to review, amendment and approval by  
15 Congress; and

16       WHEREAS, the Thirteenth Congress, on March 30, 2005 adopted  
17 Congressional Resolution 13-181 which raised a number of concerns  
18 in respect of the Draft SDP and returned it to the Executive  
19 Branch for revision; and

1       WHEREAS, on May 24, 2005, by way of Presidential Communication  
2 No. 14-17 the President transmitted a revised SDP which  
3 substantially addresses the concerns raised in Congressional  
4 Resolution 13-181; and

5       WHEREAS, Congress is mindful of the critical importance of  
6 transmitting an approved SDP as soon as possible and in any event,  
7 in time for the United States to review the document ahead of the  
8 next Joint Economic Management Committee ("JEMCO") meeting to be  
9 held in August 2005; and

10       WHEREAS, under the terms of the amended Compact, the SDP is to  
11 be a rolling plan which will be continually reviewed and updated;  
12 and

13       WHEREAS, the Executive Branch has undertaken to continue  
14 working in conjunction with each of the States of the Federated  
15 States of Micronesia to refine the SDP; now, therefore,

16       BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated  
17 States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 2005, that the SDP,  
18 as revised by the President's working group and transmitted by  
19 Presidential Communication No. 14-17, is hereby approved for  
20 transmittal to the United States;

21       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to transmittal of the SDP,  
22 the President's working group is authorized to make those changes  
23 necessary to ensure that the Executive Summary and Strategic

1 Planning Matrices are in accord with Volume One of the SDP and to  
2 make any additional changes of a purely technical nature;

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
4 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
5 of Micronesia and the Governor of each State.

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10 ADOPTED: May 25, 2005

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Peter M. Christian  
Speaker  
FSM Congress

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Liwiana K. Ramon  
Chief Clerk  
FSM Congress

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