

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 24-34

RE: C.R. NO. 24-112/CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF MR. FLORIAN J. YATILMAN TO SERVE AS
THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT,
CLIMATE CHANGE, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (DECCEM)
OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

MAY 20, 2026

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Fourth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fourth Regular Session, 2026

Dear Speaker:

Your Special Committee on Climate Change and Environment Issues,
to which was referred Congressional Resolution No. 24-112,
entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. FLORIAN
J. YATILMAN TO SERVE AS THE SECRETARY OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (DECCEM) OF THE FEDERATED STATES
OF MICRONESIA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of Congressional Resolution No. 24-112
are expressed in its title.

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Your Special Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Issues held a public hearing on the nomination of Mr. Florian J. Yatilman on May 19, 2026. The witnesses present included the nominee, the Acting Secretary Ehmes (DECCEM), Assistant Secretary Overhoff (DECCEM), Acting Secretary Cantero (Department of Foreign Affairs), Secretary Akinaga (Department of Resources and Development), Chief of Staff Yolanda Joab-Moria (Office of the President), and Special Assistant Belan Yoma (Office of the President). Numerous supporters from other governmental departments and Mr. Yatilman's family filled the gallery.

Mr. Yatilman has been nominated by the President to be Secretary of DECEM. He has over thirteen years of experience with the Department of Resources and Development, where he is currently the Assistant Secretary for the Divisions of Trade and Investment. In his current position he has had occasion to serve multiple times as Acting Secretary of the Department of Resources and Development.

Mr. Yatilman has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master's degree in Public Administration, both from the University of Guam. Witnesses present stated their full support of the President's nomination. Therefore, without contrary testimony or comments, the Committee defers to the President in this matter.

In consideration of the above, your Special Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Issues recommends that Mr. Florian J. Yatilman be confirmed as Secretary of the Department of Environment, Climate Change, and Emergency Management of the Federated States of Micronesia. The Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of Congressional Resolution No. 24-112 and recommends its adoption.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Yoslyn G. Sigrah, chairwoman

/s/ Peter M. Christian
Peter M. Christian, member

/s/ Fabian S. Nimea
Fabian S. Nimea, member

/s/ Andy P. Choor
Andy P. Choor, member

/s/ Johnson A. Asher
Johnson A. Asher, member