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Office of the High Commissioner

Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands

JULY 24, 1967

LBJ Authorizes Supplemental Typhoon Sally Funds

President Lyndon B. Johnson has sent the following message to the High Commissioner:

"I have authorized a supplemental allocation of Federal Disaster Relief funds in the amount of \$1,400,000 to effect the assistance authorized by my declaration of a major disaster on March 21, 1967, in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. This makes a total of \$2,150,000 in PL 81-875 funds that have been allocated for Typhoon Sally relief in the Trust Territory. Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will continue to consult with you and your staff and assist in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditures of the allocated funds."

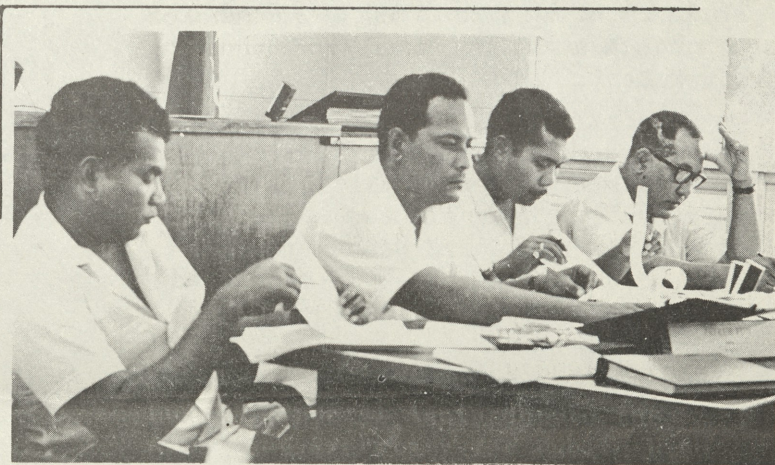
Lyndon B. Johnson

Hughes, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; and William Wohlfeld, Program Analyst, Office of Territories, are examining proof, data and the rationale for all elements and projects in the Territory's five-year program, fiscal years 1969-1973, in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Programming and Budgeting System (PPB) now mandatory throughout the federal government. The Territory must show exactly what each project will accomplish and what is required in terms of capital improvement, personnel and other factors to produce the benefits.

Mr. Hughes will return to Washington, D. C. on July 25; Mr. Milner and Mr. Wohlfeld will depart later in the week. Mr. Vaughn will make a field trip to Truk and Yap to become better acquainted with the conditions and needs of the Territory.

Earth Tremors in Palau . . .

Palau District, still recovering from a disastrous typhoon in March, suffered a series of earth tremors on Friday, July 21 at 12:45 a.m. causing a partial power outage. No serious damage was reported from Koror. A survey team has been sent to Babelthup.



Congress of Micronesia Senate Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations holds hearing. From left to right: Sen. Petrus Tun, Yap; Sen. Andon Amaraich, Truk, Chairman; Sen. John O. Ngiraked, Palau; Sen. Amata Kabua, Marshalls.

Pac. Interior Officials Review Territory Budget . . .

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Four Department of Interior officials are in Saipan to review, interrogate and firm up in detail the Territory's fiscal year 1969 program memorandum. Their presence here is felt to be further evidence of concrete and direct interest of the Department of Interior in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Robert Vaughn, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; George Milner, Assistant Director, Office of Territories; Charles B.

Peace Corps Director Speaks to Congress

Peace Corps/Micronesia Director John Pincetich addressed the Congress of Micronesia House of Representatives and the Senate, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on July 19. Mr. Pincetich reviewed the Peace Corps' activities during its nine months in Micronesia and projected its plans for the future.

The 445 Volunteers in Micronesia are assigned to work in areas of education, health, public works and community development. They live in local communities, on a comparable standard, speak local languages and eat local foods. Another 175 Volunteers are being trained on the island of Udot, Truk District.

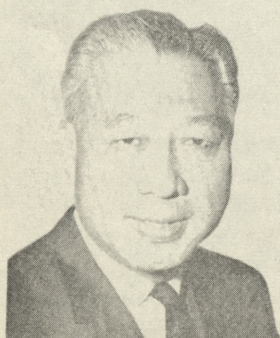
In viewing the Volunteers' role for the future, Mr. Pincetich said, "It goes beyond skills, whether they be strong or minimal. It is the essence of their youth: vision, dedication, impatience, sincerity of purpose. That presence cannot help but make an impact on Micronesia's youth. And as we look to the future of Micronesia, it is for the generations represented in this Congress to be the architects, but the youth of Micronesia--the generations to come--will be the builders. It is in them that must be instilled, more deeply, the qualities that will make for solid nationhood. And it is here that the power of the presence of Peace Corps Volunteers may have its greatest impact in the years ahead."

Micronesia Day Observed in U.S. Senate . . .

Micronesia Day 1967 was observed in the United States Senate. Hawaii Senator Hiram L. Fong praised the people of the Trust Territory and told his colleagues that the holiday commemorated the inauguration of the Congress of Micronesia in 1965, which he described as "a most important start on the road to self-government."

"I compliment them for the steady and encouraging progress they have made in Micronesia's political development. Their elected leaders in the Congress have demonstrated a responsible attitude and conducted their legislative duties in a commendable manner.

"Their success will contribute substantially toward reaching the day of decision when they will choose for themselves the future political status they prefer," Sen. Fong said.



Sen. Hiram L. Fong

Air Micronesia Executives to Visit Saipan . . .

Pierre Salinger, Vice President of Continental Airlines, will attend Micronesia Development Association's (UMDA) second annual meeting on Saipan, on July 27. Mr. Salinger was press secretary to President John F. Kennedy.

Continental Airlines has joined with Aloha Airlines and UMDA and formed Air Micronesia. This new company will bid to take over the Territory's air service contract to furnish inter-island commercial transportation within the sprawling Trust Territory.

Air Micronesia has landscaped a demonstration house in Saipan as part of their forthcoming proposal, which will include a program to promote tourism in Micronesia.

Aside from the official business of UMDA's meeting, the group will discuss the challenges and opportunities that economic development in Micronesia presents.

The Honorable Carlton Skinner also is expected to be in Saipan for the meeting. He was the first civilian governor of Guam and presently heads Skinner & Company, a business consultant firm, in San Francisco, California.

Personnel Notes . . .

The former position of Transportation Officer in the Resources and Development Department has been officially redesignated as Director of Transportation.

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Two new Budget and Accounting Officers are assigned temporarily to Headquarters Budget and Finance. Later they will transfer to districts. Both were recruited from California.

Robert M. Roberts and his wife, Sherrine, have a 12 year old daughter.

Frederick B. Hansen and his wife, Francis Jean, have three daughters, ages 1, 3 and 5.

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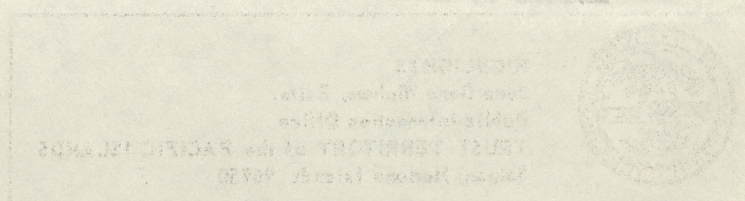
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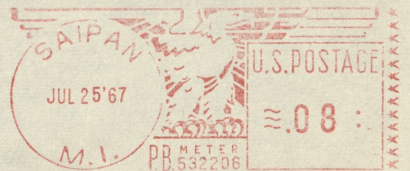
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