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Casino project off

By Zaldy Dandan
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GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio yesterday said the \$300 million resort project on Tinian has been cancelled.

"The agreement is null and void," he said.

Hu's Investments International Co., the Taiwanese firm that wants

to develop the 450-hectare land project, failed to meet the deadline for paying the first installment of \$270,000, Tenorio said.

He added that a letter from the company said the developer was concerned with their agent in the CNMI, "that's why they're having problems."

"I don't accept that explana-



Froilan C. Tenorio

tion," he said.

The Variety reported on April 8 that Hu's has issued a check for the amount, which later "bounced."

Tenorio said Hu's was given a deadline to pay for the \$270,000, but the company has yet to come up with the amount.

"(They're) thinking of a \$300 million (project), but they can't even make good a \$250,000 check," he said.

He added that there was no lease agreement with Hu's, as the Legislature has to approve it first.

South Korean investors will take over the land area, Tenorio said, and will develop resort for two 18-hole golf courses.

"They're just waiting for us to sign (the lease)," he said. "They're associated with casinos so I think they're serious."

After Hu's check bounced early last month, Tenorio told the Variety that he doubts that the company could build the resort, which would be the biggest casino project proposed on Tinian.

He said he is taking back 120

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23 Customs trainees were 'illegally hired'



Luis S. Camacho Antonio Cabrera

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

FINANCE Secretary Antonio R. Cabrera illegally hired at least 23 full time employees who are now working as "trainees" at the Customs Division and are allegedly being paid a

maximum of \$2,000 a month, documents obtained by the Variety revealed.

"This is a serious situation of hiring without proper authority and is a violation of the Commonwealth's merit hiring principles that could, conceivably, involve the CNMI government in legal action," said Personnel Management Director Luis S. Camacho in one of two memoranda recently sent to Cabrera on the matter.

"It has great potential to result in litigation and bring discredit upon this administra-

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Gov't faces \$2.3M lawsuit

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

A BUSINESSMAN yesterday filed a \$2.3 million lawsuit against the CNMI government for alleged nonpayment of lease rentals on a building previously occupied by the Department of Labor and Immigration.

Joaquin M. Manglona, through counsel Douglas F. Cushnie, sought a \$1,829,002.50 payment for the lease rentals and \$500,000 for "damages to his business reputation."

According to the complaint filed in Superior Court, Manglona and the government executed a 10-year lease in December 1992, covering real property located near the Saipan International Airport.

Last Jan. 22, Cushnie said the Department of Finance notified Manglona that DOLI vacated the building and was terminating the lease.

The signatory of Finance's letter to plaintiff is without authority to terminate the lease, said

Cushnie in the complaint.

Last April 30, DOLI informed Manglona that the lease was terminated at the time it vacated the building at the beginning of October 1996.

Pursuant to the lease, Cushnie pointed out that plaintiff is entitled to recover the premises and the balance of lease rentals for the remainder of the lease term.

The lawyer said the premises were extensively remodeled for

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Hawaii's governor ties knot



RP nabs 18 Chinese

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - The Philippine navy arrested 18 Chinese fishermen who entered the country's waters illegally in two boats last month. Chinese and local officials said Tuesday.

The government also rejected a request from the Chinese Embassy for about 20 other Chinese boats to pass through Philippine waters on their way to fish in the Pacific's Marshall Islands, the officials said.

China request for passage through RP waters rejected

Wang Haitao, a Chinese Embassy official, said the fishermen were arrested in waters off Mindoro Island, south of Manila, on April 17.

Wang acknowledged that the fishermen did not carry entry permits but said they were passing through and had not planned to fish in local waters. He said China had tried to notify Manila but was prevented by "some

technical problems."

A Philippine navy spokesman said the Chinese identified themselves as Taiwanese.

The Chinese government has appealed to the Philippines to release the fishermen and their boats, but has received no response, Wang said. A Department of Foreign Affairs official said the government turned down the Chinese Embassy request for the entry of about 20 more Chinese fishing boats, also bound for the Marshall Islands, because of security concerns.

Wang said China and the Marshall Islands are undertaking a joint fishing

expedition. The Chinese boats' travel time to the Pacific islands would be shortened considerably if they pass across the Philippine archipelago.

The arrests occurred a week before four armed Chinese ships and three smaller boats were sighted near two Philippine-held islands in the South China Sea's disputed Spratly Islands.

The Philippine government protested the stay of the seven Chinese ships as a provocation, and the ships left the area by Friday.

Defense Secretary Renato De Villa said air and sea patrols would continue in areas in the Spratlys under Manila's control to avert similar in-

cidents.

Chinese officials confirmed the ships sighted near Kota and Panata islands, two of eight islands in the Spratlys chain occupied by Philippine troops, belonged to their navy but said they were conducting marine survey measurements that were a "normal technical activity."

China expressed no apologies for the incident and reaffirmed Beijing's "indisputable sovereignty" over the Spratlys, which it calls the Nansha Islands.

The Philippines and China are among six countries with overlapping claims to the Spratlys, a chain of atolls and reefs believed to be rich in oil and natural gas.

Tung: Curb HK civil liberties

HONG KONG (AP) - Hong Kong needs to narrow its civil liberties to prevent an outbreak of unrest similar to that which swept the United States in the 1960s. Hong Kong's future leader was quoted Tuesday as saying.

"I lived in America in the 1960s, and I saw how society became less orderly than desirable. I don't want that to happen here," Tung Chee-hwa told the Asian Wall Street Journal.

"If we are not careful, we are moving slowly in that direction."

Tung will head a semi-autonomous government after China recovers sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1. He spoke to the Journal and other American newspapers Monday.

He defended his plans to curb the freedom to demonstrate and to ban foreign contributions to Hong Kong political parties. While accepting street protests as "part of our culture," he favored banning those that impinge on China's national sovereignty issues, the Journal said.

It said Tung specifically stressed that he wouldn't let people publicly

advocate independence for Taiwan and Tibet - causes which China regards as "splitting the motherland."

Tung cited a demonstration Sunday by tens of thousands of Taiwanese demanding their premier resign over a spate of unsolved murders, calling it something "I would not like to see happen in Hong Kong," the Journal said.

He was also concerned about Chinese-language newspaper reports of British and American intelligence services increasing their presence in Hong Kong, saying "I will have to take a look at this and see what needs to be done."

Tung has repeatedly stressed that he does not want Hong Kong to become a base for foreigners to wage campaigns against China, and this is his rationale for banning foreign donations to political parties.

Tung was quoted as urging the United States to extend China's trading privileges, warning that any attempt by Congress to link them to the fate of Hong Kong would be "extremely unwise."

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Coastal Resources Management Program (CRMP) will be holding a public hearing regarding Coastal Permit Application No. SMS-97-X-130 submitted by H.K. Pangelinan & Associates on behalf of Mr. Choi Sung Kyu for the construction of the Sung San Cultural Center which includes; a three (3) story hotel with 19 single bedroom units, a restaurant and kitchen, management office, seminar and function rooms, and other hotel amenities.

The public is invited to attend and to submit written comments and/or to make oral comments regarding this project. All written and oral comments received will be made a part of the permit application record, and will be considered in any decision made concerning the proposed project.

The public hearing is schedule for May 20, 1997 at 6:30 pm at the San Vicente Elementary School. A second and final notice of this public hearing will be published at a later date.

Please contact the Coastal Resources Management Office at 234-6623/7320 or 3907 if you have any questions or require further information regarding this project.

MANUEL C. SABLAN
Director
Coastal Resources Management



Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak meets with Palestinian Leader Yasser Arafat Monday. Arafat discussed the Israeli-Palestinian talks which broke down in March after Israel announced it was going ahead with plans to build new settlements in the West Bank. AP

Japan lawmaker, ex-minister stake claim to disputed isles

By YURI KAGEYAMA
TOKYO (AP) - Declaring it a duty to inspect his nation's territory, a Japanese legislator landed Tuesday on islands at the center of a dispute among Japan, China and Taiwan.

The rocky uninhabited islands in the East China Sea, known as Senkaku in Japan and Diaoyu in China, are controlled by Japan but also claimed by China and Taiwan.

"After landing on Senkaku today, I was convinced the revival of a proud Japan and an awakening in people's consciousness definitely begin here," Shingo Nishimura, a lawmaker of the main opposition New Frontier Party, said in a faxed statement.

Nishimura stayed for about two hours on the islands and left on a small fishing boat, said Hiroaki Udetu of the Maritime Safety Agency, Japan's coast guard.

Shintaro Ishihara, a former transport minister and author of "The Japan That Can Say No," slowly circled the islands on a separate ship but did not land, the Japanese coast guard said.

The islands are a volatile issue because China and other Asian nations hold bitter memories of Japan's aggression during World War II and are extremely wary of any signs of ultranationalism.

The age-old dispute over the islands resurfaced when right-wing extremists built a lighthouse on the islands last summer. Demonstrators took to the streets in Hong Kong and Taiwan.

The Chinese government accused Japan of using the dispute as an excuse to build up its military. Last year, a Hong Kong activist drowned after jumping into waters near the islands off one of several protest boats from Taiwan and Hong Kong.

The islands - 176 kilometers (110 miles) north of Taiwan - lie amid rich fishing grounds and possible oil and natural gas deposits.

Coast guard spokesman Udetu said the owners of the islands, businessmen in Saitama Prefecture, north of Tokyo, asked last month that no one land on their property. Both Nishimura and Ishihara were informed of that re-

quest, Udetu said.

Ishihara, a right-leaning former lawmaker and anti-communist, was not immediately available for comment.

But in an interview with The Associated Press last October, Ishihara said the Senkaku was a key issue that threatens to develop into a test for the security agreement between Japan and the United States.

"If America is so blinded by money that Japan no longer counts and the Chinese market is more important...Japan will have to cut ties with the United States," Ishihara said.

Japanese government officials do not expect China to resort to military action to takeover Senkaku. But conservative Japanese, such as Ishihara, have been annoyed by America's hands-off approach to the dispute.

The islands were administered by the Japanese between 1895 and 1945, when they were taken over by U.S. forces after World War II. Washington gave them back to Japan in 1972.

COMNAVMAR chief:

'We'll continue to be around'

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff

REAR ADM. Martin E. Janczack, Navy Commander of the Marianas, said yesterday the United States' plan to streamline naval operations on Guam is under study even as he stressed the U.S. military will keep its presence in the region "for many years to come."

"We're consolidating Navy operations, and reducing the number of Navy personnel, but the overall job we're committed to fulfill will be the same," Janczack said, speaking at the Rotary Club luncheon forum at the Hyatt Hotel.

He said the US Navy has 5,000 men stationed in Guam. "The overall

job of Guam is to provide logistics support for operating forces," he said. Janczack could not say the percentage of personnel reduction.

"We're studying it right now. We're doing a two-year study and I can't predict its outcome," Janczack said, in an interview with reporters after the forum.

According to the plan, as the number of Navy personnel decreases, some of the works would be commissioned to a civilian company.

"Our goal is to become more efficient," Janczack said. "Just like in the business world, we're using modern techniques such as computers, modern data process technique, and better communications that make us

more efficient in our operations. So we can have fewer sailors and we would contract things out from a civilian enterprise to provide service to us."

The physical size of the base "will remain the same," he added. "We are not pulling back. The US will remain in Asia, and continue to be here for many years to come. We will continue to be fully engaged with our political and economic partners here."

Defense Secretary William Cohen disclosed last week that his major review of the U.S. military may include more base closings in order to reduce "unnecessary defense expenses."

At least 97 major U.S. bases had been closed since 1988.

Janczack, however, said he does not foresee any more base closings. He said at the Rotary forum that the US presence in the Marianas remains vital to the stability of the region.



Rear Adm. Martin Janczack seeks before members of the Rotary Club.

Asked if he agreed, Janczack replied: "I'm biased but I certainly would vote for the Marianas before I'd vote for any other place."

The Tinian property leased by the US military is idle, but US has no plans to give it up.

"We have a lot of available things here in the Marianas that we could provide in terms of training facilities and training areas," Janczack said.

Experts project that by year 2020, China and the US would be just about even as far as economic power which would lead the world's economic powers to focus their attention to Asia.

The US, Janczack said, will continue its "protector" role.

"There was Arabian Gulf crisis, and in the spring of 1996, there was tension between China and Taiwan. What's gonna be next? We don't know. But we will continue to be around," Janczack said during the forum.

Borja camp threaten suit

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff

LIEUTENANT GOV. Jesus Borja, through legal counsel and supporter Vicente Salas, yesterday warned to take legal action against the Democratic Party if the "bouncing" check problem is not resolved by first week of June.

"We kindly ask that you remit your payment to this office on Wednesday, June 4, 1997, in order that we might resolve this matter without going to court," Salas said in letter to party chairman Dan Quitugua.

The "rubber check" issued by the party to Borja represented refund of the \$1,500 candidacy fee paid by Borja, a gubernatorial candidate.

The Variety was furnished with photocopies of the Bank of Guam check marked "Not Sufficient Funds," and the "Returned Item Advice" from First Savings and Loan, where Borja depos-

ited the check amounting to \$1,523.63.

The check issued April 16, 1997 bears check number 1134.

There was no party official available to give comments.

Borja paid the filing fee to the party along with his letter of intent in January. Borja had demanded that the party refund his money after it declined his request for a primary between him and Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, who was later endorsed by the Central Executive Committee as the party's standard bearer in the November elections.

Borja decided to run as independent along with running mate Benjamin Sablan.

On April 17, Quitugua returned Borja's money plus a five percent interest, "in light of public statements suggesting concerns about the adequacy of financial backing to support" Borja's candidacy.

Camacho to be next Finance secretary

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio yesterday said he will name Gabriel DLC. Camacho as the new Finance secretary.

Camacho is the deputy of outgoing Secretary Antonio R. Cabrera who will head a special projects group to handle the administration's 10 percent flat tax rate proposal.

Tenorio said he will give Cabrera a week to finish whatever pending work he has as Finance secretary. "I'll ask him when would he be

ready and then I'll make the appointment."

Tenorio again denied that he is "unhappy" about Cabrera's performance.

"I'm not anxious for him to get out of Finance, but I'm anxious for him to start working on the flat tax," he said.

Tenorio, in earlier interviews, said he will soon come out with a flat tax rate proposal to simplify the tax system, boost the CNMI's revenues, and spur economic growth.

However, critics of the flat tax said the plan would only "make the rich

richer."

With Cabrera as head of the Finance Department, the Tenorio administration has claimed to have reduced the \$44 million deficit to \$14 million.

Cabrera, in an interview with the Variety, has said that the administration will "completely wipe out" the deficit by Oct. 1997.

Cabrera was appointed in 1995, replacing Maria D. Cabrera who resigned over policy differences with the governor over a multi-million dollar road construction project.

Governor, Senators tangle over public lands

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio "surprised" the Senate yesterday by showing up and testifying in the hearing on public lands called by the Senate Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigation.

Flanked by acting Attorney General Robert Dunklap II and special legal counsel Ronald S. Oestreich, Tenorio answered questions, rebutted points made by the senators, and demanded that the committee explain why the Legislature enacted a "bad law."

It was the first time Tenorio, as governor, testified before a legislative committee hearing.

Some say it is the first time a CNMI governor ever testified before a legislative committee hearing.

Jampacked
After close to three hours of discussion before a jampacked gallery, the governor and the committee managed to agree on one thing: the Senate will recommend members to the Board of the Public Lands within a week, and the governor said he will appoint the Senate recommendees.

Tenorio, at one point, debated with committee vice chair Senate Vice President Paul A. Manglona (R-Rota) and committee chair Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian) on the merits of Public Law 10-57, which transferred authority over public lands from the governor to a still to be created Board of Public Lands.

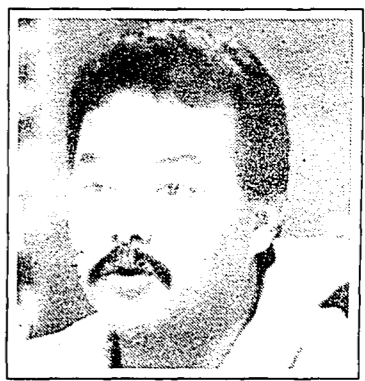
"You tell me what you're trying to do here," Tenorio told the committee.



Froilan C. Tenorio



David Cing



Paul Manglona

"Why does the Legislature think that the authority over public lands should be taken away from the governor?"

Senate Majority Leader Thomas P. Villagomez (R-Saipan) said he is concerned about a land lease given to World Corp., but the governor denied signing any such lease.

"Can you show me the lease?" Tenorio said.

When the committee members asked Division of Public Lands Director Bertha Camacho if such a lease was signed, Camacho said "No."

Tenorio remarked that the "problem" with the Legislature is that it works on assumptions.

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Cing said Tenorio was lying on Hu's land lease.

"Hey, read the agreement," a smiling governor replied.

"It's not even a lease. It's still subject to your approval."

An exasperated Cing then said, "Mr. Governor I was the one who gave you the (executive order that abolished MPLC and created DPL), and thought the problems would be solved. But we still have problems."

Tenorio replied, "Then repeal (the executive order). If you don't like it, holy smoke, repeal it."

Kangaroo court

The governor's spokesperson said the governor came out of the "kangaroo court" hearing "looking as smart as he is."

Mark Broadhurst said the management of public lands was working perfectly before the Legislature "messed it up."

"There are now 200 homestead applications pending, and now the Legislature is talking about expediting things."

"They are to blame for this mess." He said the governor, though uninvited, showed up at the hearing "because he is serious about this issue."

Broadhurst said Tenorio is not concerned about losing authority over public lands, but about accountability.

Manglona, for his part, said it is not a question of who "got the better of whom," but of how to protect the people's interests.

Letters to the Editor

Still on ADA from Rep. Reyes

Dear Editor:

The purpose of this letter is not to comment on the harsh insinuations thrown in my and Resident Representative John N. Babauta's way by the self-proclaimed Voice of the "New Generation", Mr. Charles P. Reyes Jr. (such personal attacks deserve no response). Rather, we would simply prefer to stand by our records and let our people decide whose principles and whose convictions are truly in the right place.

I would, however, like to put in my two cents' worth regarding the whole ADA debate. First of all, had it not been for Mr. Reyes, there probably would be no debate to begin with. Think about it. What other local residents would in their right mind object to a law created specifically for the disabled? For your elderly grandparents, or

handicapped brother or sister, or blind mother? It is basically about giving our fellow Americans a chance, plain and simple. Believe me, there is no hidden communist, Marxist, xenophobic, protectionist agenda. The ADA was not a federal plot to ruin capitalism or the free market as we know it. And believe it or not Charles, neither Rep. John N. Babauta nor I had anything to do with it. Again, the ADA was not meant to keep the rugged individualist down, but to level the playing field for every American individual.

True, ADA law may pose an added cost to businesses, consumers and the community in general. But think of what we would be missing if in a small community such as ours, mothers could not climb the steps of the Memorial Park auditorium to watch a graduation ceremony or if a son could not

get to the second floor of an elementary school building to get to his classroom. What if you got into a car accident and suddenly you could not walk? Just because one is incapacitated does not mean he or she should be denied the opportunity to enjoy the privileges every American possesses. Any one of us could fall victim to a drunk driver or come down with a debilitating heart ailment. Yes, there is a cost to this law, but it is definitely worth it.

Lastly, I want to let my brother, Charles Sr., know that in spite of his son's faults, my love and respect for him will never diminish. I hope I do not offend you, by these remarks, but something has to be said and I must let our people know that I do not share your son's philosophy. We are a more sensitive and compassionate family and people.

REP. PETE P. REYES

Fiesta in Washington

Dear Editor:

Hafa adai from the Northwest! We would like to introduce you to the Marianas Club of Seattle University and the Micronesian Islands Club of the University of Washington.

The Marianas Club, previously named the Guam Club, was established on April 24, 1992. Due to the growing concern to be a united voice with our neighbors from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, in October 1994 we amended our constitution to be inclusive of students both from Guam and the CNMI.

On April 17, 1996, students from the University of Washington established a sister chapter called the Micronesian Islands Club. The MIC is inclusive of all students from Micronesia.

In Washington, we are in an environment different from home, but through interactions with students from the some

geographical region, we have created a "a home away from home." Sharing the same core value, family, we strive to achieve our goals that include: encouraging others to visit and take special interest in Guam, the CNMI, and other Micronesian Islands; keeping our traditions alive through celebrations; and more importantly, encouraging students to return to the islands and share their newly acquired skills and insightful, educational experiences with their island community.

Because one of our goals is to celebrate the history and traditions of our people, we are holding our 5th Annual Fiesta on May 31. We are determined to display our "spirit of hospitality" to all who attend.

We will serve a traditional dinner and entertain guests with native music and dances. Indeed, this will be an event to help guests understand why we

are so proud of our culture, our people, and our home.

As we are fairly young and non-profit organizations, we are seeking assistance from other well-established Guam, CNMI, and Micronesian clubs and organizations in Washington.

Moreover, we are seeking assistance from government and business agencies on Guam and the CNMI. In order to make this fiesta a successful one, we are asking for any contributions you may wish to give in support of this event.

Any and every donation will be greatly appreciated. Further, we would be greatly honored by your presence at our celebration. We look forward to hearing from you. Dankulu Na Si Yu'us Maase.

MARIANAS CLUB OF SEATTLE UNIVERSITY
MICRONESIAN ISLANDS CLUB OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

What if supertyphoon strikes?

Dear Editor:

For many years, I think it's not only myself who has thought of a future disaster that may come. By writing publicly, it is much faster to share my opinions to the public and to our present and future leaders.

We all know that need to start taking action in regards to our beaches and roads, especially the Beach Road from the San Jose traffic lights to the Benavente building in Garapan. This stretch we all know is a couple of yards from the road to the shoreline.

Our beautiful island is a victim of supertyphoons which we all hope and pray will never come but we can never predict

Mother Nature.

If a supertyphoon comes and happens, this beautiful long road and trees along the shore will disappear as well as some private businesses along the road areas.

The answer to this problem is to build water breakers at least 100 feet from the road.

Problems that may arise after a supertyphoon:

- Our people will lose money by losing our tourist
- Our government will need approximately \$20-25 million to cut these roads back together.
- The Middle Road will be jammed with traffic.
- Our beautiful trees and beaches will be destroyed.

By taking action now and

start fixing this problem, we can:

- Save millions of dollars in the future.
- Widen the beach for picnickers between these two areas.
- Plant more trees and build more pavilions for our future kids and visitors.
- Attract more tourists and that means more money for the CNMI.
- Make Saipan a bigger and safer place to live in.

Let's stop the hate and help one another to make the Mariana Islands the best in the Pacific. Let's all stay out of drugs now.

BEN SABLAN BASA

Hawaii's...

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Monday by Appeals Judge Simeon Acoba Jr., a close friend of the governor.

Cayetano divorced his first wife in May of last year after a long separation. Ms. Liu was divorced in 1992. Cayetano has three adult children and Ms. Liu has two children, Marissa, 13, and William, 10.

The governor and Hawaii's new first lady plan to leave next week on a trip to Taiwan, Hong

Kong and the Philippines where Cayetano will attend the Pacific Basin Economic Conference, his office said.

Ms. Liu was born in Manila and at the age of three moved to San Francisco where she was raised. She moved to Hawaii in 1983 and was one of the founders of United Laundry Services, where she has been president and chief executive officer since 1990.

Cayetano, a Democrat, won election in 1996 as America's first governor of Filipino ancestry.

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the specific purpose of housing the particular government agency "which has resulted in great difficulty in attempting to secure other tenants."

The renovation was to be at the expense of the government pursuant to the terms of the lease, Cushnie said.

When the lease was entered into, Cushnie added that Manglona borrowed money from a financial institution in order to modify the premises.

The rentals earned from the property, the lawyer said, were used to retire Manglona's financial obligations incurred during renovation.

As a direct result of the defendant's "refusal" to pay lease rentals, Cushnie said the plaintiff has been unable to make regular payments to the financing institution.

He said the plaintiff suffered a

loss of business reputation as a result of delinquent payments to the bank and poor credit ratings.

DOLI Sec. Thomas O. Sablan in his April 30 letter told Manglona he disagrees that the agency owes any further payments for the Airport Road building.

Sablan said the lease terminated when DOLI vacated the building at the beginning of Oct. 1996.

"Over the life of the lease, we suffered repeated problems with structural defects, electrical insufficiency, and general lack of physical integrity of the building, leading to rodent infestations, leaking etc., all of which put out equipment, personnel and agency mission at continued risk," said Sablan.

Although DOLI recognizes numerous efforts made to solve the problems, the secretary told Manglona that the latter unable or unwilling to keep the building in state of repair sufficient to make it habitable for office use.

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tion," the second memorandum read.

The illegal hiring was apparently done last January.

"I don't know if payment has been made. But it has been alleged that payment was in fact made," said Camacho.

Cabrera, defending the move, said Public Law 10-41 gave him powers to hire a total of 45 FTEs for at least two of his department's seven divisions.

The law, Cabrera said, states that FTEs can be hired if funds can be certified by him.

"I did certify that (hiring). I (was) pretty sure I can find funding for it," said Cabrera in a telephone interview.

But what is apparently being questioned is the manner in which the 23 FTEs were hired.

In a Feb. 18 memorandum to Camacho, Public Auditor Leo L. LaMotte, said the trainees were hired "with no public announcements made on the positions," an act "constituting illegal and improper hiring actions in violation of certain provisions of the

Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations."

The public auditor's office, which has been conducting an inquiry on the matter, directed Camacho to have Cabrera explain the act.

OPM documents showed that Camacho had sent the two memoranda asking Cabrera to rectify the actions. The letters were sent on Mar. 7 while the Finance Secretary was off island, and then on Mar 13.

The documents also showed that OPM had posted an announcement on the vacant positions of which "a number" of the same employees have been applying, Camacho said.

He said the employees may retain the job "if they are qualified."

Camacho explained the employees may not be held liable for ending up as illegal government employees since it was the finance department's management that hired them in the first place.

Camacho said the act may hold the finance secretary "personally liable for any compensation due to these individuals for the time spent on unauthorized service."

He did not say what administrative action awaits Cabrera.

Casino...

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hectares of the land from Hu's and lease it to a South Korean company which is proposing to build a golf course in the area.

Hu's president signed the preliminary lease agreement with the governor and Tinian Mayor Herman Manglona last January.

Upon signing of the agreement,

Hu's wrote the check for the installment payment.

The project, to be called Marianas Paradise Resort, involves a 1,500-room twin tower, a theme park, recreational facilities, and shopping and commercial centers.

James Chua, public relations officer for Hu's, told the Variety last month that the funding of the check had "transfer problem."

High court upholds Art. 12 rule

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff

UPHOLDING the customary law, the Supreme Court threw out an appeal filed by certain heirs of a Chamorro woman involving some parcels of land on Rota.

The high court, in an opinion issued May 2, dismissed the appeal filed by Paul Lawlor on behalf of "heirs" of Edives S. Imamura who were seeking the reversal the Superior Court's decision denying them rights to receive inheritance from her estate.

The Imamura estate was represented by lawyer Ted Mitchell.

Supreme Court Associate Justice Ramon Villagomez and Special Judge Jane Mack affirmed the trial court's ruling anchored on Article XII of the Constitution which bars non-Northern Marianas descent from owning land in the Commonwealth.

Chief Justice Marty K. Taylor dissented. A copy of his opinion was not available at press time.

Imamura died on April 24, 1983. She had seven children, five of whom are Northern Marianas descent. Two of the children Jack S. Imamura and Maria M. Ohgushi, died before Imamura did.

Jack and Maria both have heirs, all of whom are Japanese citizens.

On Feb. 8, 1994, a co-administrator of the estate filed an amended petition seeking distribution of nine parcels of land in Rota only to heirs who are Northern Marianas descent.

The other heirs who are Japanese citizens objected, arguing that Article XII does not prevent them from inheriting interests in land

that is "not permanent" or "long term."

They also asked that they be given "the maximum allowable interest permitted by Article XII as a matter of judicially created intestate distribution."

The law in question (8CMC 2411) stated that "whenever a person not of NMD takes title to real property...he or she shall take the maximum legal interest in this property and the remaining interest if any shall vest in the next closest heirs who can legally take title to the real property under Article 12."

The high court ruled the law was not retroactive.

The law in effect at the time of Imamura death was the Trust Territory Code which, according to the high court, "contains a general provision giving full force and effect to the recognized customary law of the various parts of the trust territory."

The court ruled that since Imamura was Chamorro, her estate must be probated in accordance with Chamorro customary law.

Under customary law, if a person did not prepare a will before his or her death, the surviving children, and the heirs of "any deceased issue by representation, will either take equal portion of the estate in fee simple or agree to a distribution that is not necessarily equal."

Second Anniversary Rosary

Maria Tenorio Guerrero "Nan Kita' Pan"



The family of the late Maria T. Guerrero invites all our relatives and friends to join us for the Second Anniversary Rosary of our beloved one.

Nightly rosary will be held at the family residence in Dandan by Herman's Modern Bakery, beginning Tuesday, May 13, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Also, daily Mass will be offered at Mount Carmel Cathedral from Tuesday to Wednesday. On Sunday, Mass will be at San Vicente Church. All Masses will be at 6:00 a.m.

On the final day, Wednesday, May 21, 1997, rosary will be said at 12:00 Noon. The Second Anniversary Mass will be offered at 5:00 p.m. at San Vicente Church and dinner will follow at the family residence.

Kindly Join Us in Prayers and Intentions.
The Guerrero Family (Pan)

Top-level delegation from China due today

AN ELEVEN member delegation from the People's Republic of China will arrive today on Saipan for historic meeting with Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio early this morning.

Vice Minister Liu Shanzai of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation and his delegation face a busy schedule which includes signing of a "memorandum of understanding" covering PRC labor in the Commonwealth, the Administration said in a news release.

"I met Vice Minister Liu when I was in Beijing last October. At that time we took the initial steps toward greater cooperation between the CNMI and the Ministry which handles Chinese labor matters, said Gov. Tenorio.

I am pleased that we are moving forward in better handling our the labor issue between the Commonwealth and the People's Republic of China."

The visit by the delegation is seen as timely, in view of a recent report by Democratic legislative staffers in Washington, D.C. which repeated previous allegations that some mainland Chinese workers in the CNMI face illegal supervision by PRC officials while on the job here and possible political persecution when they return home.

The formal purpose of the visit is, "to work collectively to promote

and strengthen cooperation in the field of manpower resources development between the CNMI and China."

An agreement reflecting the purpose is to be signed Thursday, following a lengthy meeting between the Chinese delegation, Tenorio and virtually every CNMI government official with responsibilities in this area.

In addition to touring Saipan and Tinian, the Chinese officials will be visiting local garment factories and institutions such as the Commonwealth Health Center.

On Tinian, after arriving aboard the "Tinian Express," they will meet with Mayor Herman M. Manglona as well as members of the island's legislative delegation.

They are also expected to tour the site of the casino currently under construction there, before returning to Saipan.

Before their Saturday departure, they will visit the Flame Tree Festival, along with Governor Tenorio, who will also give them a walking tour of nearby historic sites in Garapan.

"I'm really looking forward to showing off our local arts and crafts at the Flame Tree Festival since the Chinese very proudly shared with me examples of their cultures and history when I was there," commented the Governor.



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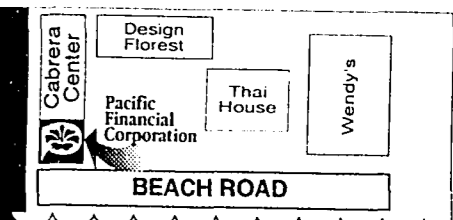
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Benavente writes Miller:

'Don't condemn us in absentia'

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff
SUGGESTING that the CNMI deserves a chance to defend itself. Speaker Diego Benavente appealed to California Rep. George Miller not "to condemn us in absentia."

"You do us disservice by disseminating inflammatory propaganda about us to members of Congress," Benavente wrote in a letter to Miller dated May 5.

"Introduce your legislation if you feel it is needed. Then give us

the opportunity to testify and set the record straight. Do not seek to condemn us in absentia," Benavente said.

Miller introduced two weeks ago a bill that seeks to federalize the CNMI wage and immigration.

Along with the bill, Miller presented a report to Congress which contained his tirade against labor and human rights condition in the CNMI.

Accompanying the bill and the report was a press statement



Diego Benavente George Miller

where Miller lambasted the CNMI's use of "Made in U.S.A" label on the "sweat" of foreign workers.

Benavente lamented Miller's remarks.

"The Commonwealth has been subjected to a great deal of

inflammatory rhetoric from the media with respect to our labor and immigration problems," Benavente said, referring to "anti-CNMI" reports in Washington Post.

Most of these media reports, Benavente said, were made by "persons who lack experience and perspective to understand the challenges and problems which arise out of the unique economic and political position of the CNMI."

He said that while Miller is "generally well informed on labor issues, it is disappointing that you espouse such extreme

and misguided notions regarding conditions in the CNMI."

"Mr. Miller, as a fellow legislator," Benavente wrote, "I understand your desire to sponsor legislation which appeals to the political interests of your constituents."

"I applaud your stance to support workers and to strive for fair treatment and just working condition," he said.

"But please do not lose sight of the truth in pursuit of those goals. We in the CNMI have our share of challenges. We are working very hard to improve our society," he added.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The BORJA-SABLAN TEAM will be having a nomination petition march on Thursday, May 08, 1997, at 10:00 A.M. starting from the American Memorial Park to the Board of Election Office. Anyone who wishes to participate is welcomed. Jesse & Ben are happy to see you join us. They appreciate your participation and support.

Jack C. Muna
Chairman
Committee to Elect Borja-Sablan



DONATION. Joe Santos, Jean Sablan, and Ron Sablan (first, second, and fourth from left) hand over a \$6,430 check to Sister Kathleen Sarmiento yesterday as Mount Carmel students loon on. Photo by Rick Alberto

Mt. Carmel School gets proceeds from concert

PROCEEDS from the concert of the Kapaz Band from Guam amounting to \$6,430 were turned over to Mount Carmel School yesterday by the concert sponsors.

Mount Carmel president Sister Kathleen Sarmiento received the amount in check from Ron Sablan, president of Pacific Gardenia Hotel where the concert was held last April 25, and Joe Santos, general manager of Mar-Pac.

Also on hand to witness the turnover of the donation was Pacific Gardenia Vice President Jean Sablan and selected high school students.

Santos said the donated money would go to help complete the construction of the new high school building. The targetted completion date is June 30.

The 14-room building has

an open-air design for its wide hallway.

All the rooms are air-conditioned, according to Sister Kathleen. She also said the rooms have sensor lighting system so that when one enters a room, the lights turn on and when one leaves, they turn off.

Some 150 high school students will benefit from the conveniences and facilities of the modern building.

Ron Sablan said they chose the school to be the beneficiary of the concert proceeds because "we considered Mount Carmel's major contribution to the community."

He said both he and his sister, Jean, are alumni of this Catholic school.

At present, Ron said he has three children studying in the school.—Rick Alberto

Manglona dares Tenorio:

'Order probe of all land deals'

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff
SENATE Vice President Paul A. Manglona yesterday "dared" Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio to order the investigation of all the land deals the defunct Marianas Public Land Corp. was involved in.

Manglona (R-Rota) issued the "challenge" during yesterday's "heated" Senate hearing on public lands (see related story) which the governor attended, together with Public Auditor Leo LaMotte, Division of Public Lands Director Bertha Camacho and House Speaker Diego T. Benavente (R-Saipan).

Tenorio noted that he had already asked LaMotte to look into MPLC's land deals, but the public auditor said he has yet to receive a formal request.

"Well, I'm asking you now to investigate MPLC's land transactions," Tenorio said. "Is that formal enough for you?"

Manglona said once the Office of Public Auditor begins its investigation, "I will ask that (OPA) look into all my land deals, and my family's land deals."

"I am daring the governor to give (OPA) all the documents (he may have on MPLC's land deals)," Manglona said.

According to Tenorio, however, it would be insulting if he pro-

vides OPA with documents, when it is OPA's job to find such documents.

"Let him find the documents. I would give him any documents he may have missed," Tenorio said.

The governor on Thursday released a document on a 1984 land exchange deal involving Manglona's property on Rota.

The land exchange was cited by Tenorio as an example of the defunct Marianas Public Lands Corp.'s "misdeeds."

He said he will release similar "sickening" documents at least once a week, in order to show legislators, "that your action to...override my veto was very irresponsible."

However, Manglona said Sunday that "the lust for power" is

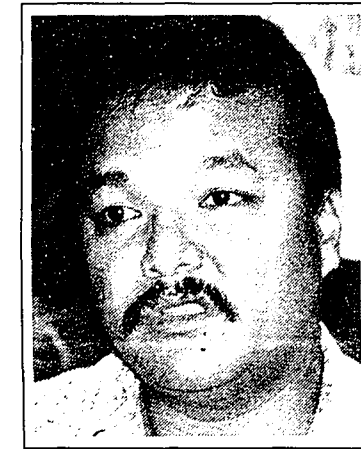
behind Tenorio's opposition to an autonomous board of public lands, and not concerns over alleged anomalous land transactions.

He said there was nothing improper with the 1984 land exchange which, he added, followed whatever guidelines of MPLC had at that time.

Like Rep. Stanley Torres (Ind.-Saipan) and Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian), Manglona opposes giving the governor a transition period of 90 days to continue acting on pending land deals.

In yesterday's hearings, Manglona asked DPL Director Camacho to provide the Legislature with a list on the "most critical" pending land deals.

Manglona and Cing said the Legislature might file bills for any land



Paul A. Manglona

deals, and enact it into law. Speaker Benavente, in his testimony, said the House will be ready to support such a move. Tenorio vetoed the bill that would reestablish an autonomous board

of public lands, but the Senate and the House overrode the veto.

Shortly after becoming governor in 1994, Tenorio abolished MPLC and created a Division of Public Lands under his Department of Lands and Natural Resources.

The new set-up gave the governor authority over public lands.

However, the veto override resulted in P.L. 10-57, which transferred authority to the still to be created Board of Public Lands.

Tenorio said he will challenge the constitutionality of the new law.

The House of Representatives on Thursday passed a bill that would temporarily allow the governor and DPL to act on pending land deals, but the governor said he will not sign the bill.

Bank teller admits theft

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff
A BANK teller accused of forging and stealing bank funds has admitted the charges.

Joanne Santos pleaded guilty to theft by failure to make required disposition of funds received.

For changing plea, Superior Court Associate Judge Timothy Bellas dismissed with prejudice the remaining charges of theft by failure to make required disposition of funds received and forgery.

Bellas ordered the Probation Office to submit a pre-sentence report not later than June 13.

Court documents showed that on June 3, 1996 Santos "purposely obtained property subject to a known legal obligation to make specified payment or other disposition dealt with the property obtained as her own, with the intent to permanently deprive the owner."

Bank of Saipan funds in excess of \$250 were to be wired to other locations for customers in Santos' capacity as a BOS paying and receiving teller.

On June 17, 1996, Santos, in her capacity as a teller, kept in excess of BOS's \$250 funds in her cash box.

The defendant then forged a writing by issuing wire transfer applications of BOS stamped with a stamp of a co-worker purporting to effect the transfer of funds.

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CUC eyes new power plant

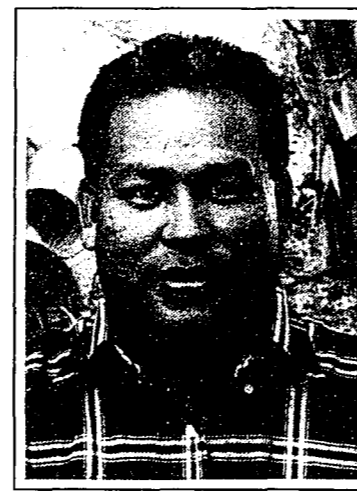
By Rick Alberto
Variety News Staff
THE Commonwealth Utilities Corp. will put up a new power plant for Saipan to ease its recurring power problem.

CUC Executive Director Timothy P. Villagomez said in his report to the CUC board last week that his agency is in the process of hiring an architectural and engineering (A&E) firm to determine what type of generation is best for the island. "We do not want to have some generators stuffed down our throats that will only cause nightmares down the road," Villagomez said. At present the CUC is plagued by recurrent breakdowns of aging power generators, some of which

have had defective parts. "The A&E firm will have its project completed, and will write an RFP [request for proposal] for public dissemination and competitive bidding (for the construction of the new plant) by September first," Villagomez added. Villagomez said several companies had requested for information

on "when the new plant will be put out for bid." The same companies, he said, are now in Guam working on projects meant to also ease that island's power problem. Villagomez, citing master plans, said Saipan will need an additional 80 to 100 megawatts of electricity by year 2000, or less than three years from now.

Villagomez also reported to the board that he had asked price quotations from smaller power companies in connection having a private company operate the Isley Power Plant for the CUC. "The (chosen) firm will also bring in a few new generators which will ease problems for the southern side until the substation is complete. This firm will take over operations immediately," Villagomez said. After Isley, the Power Plant II will next be operated by the private sector, the CUC executive director



Timothy P. Villagomez

said. The CUC, meanwhile, has chosen Telesource from among several bidders to provide additional 10 MW for Tinian. Telesource is the same company that is currently building the Voice of America facility on Tinian.

Babauta optimistic on CNMI telecom benefits



Juan N. Babauta

RESIDENT Representative Juan N. Babauta remains optimistic the CNMI will be eligible for the Lifeline and Lifelink programs and other benefits when the Federal Communications Commission issues detailed rules on "universal service". The FCC is expected to act soon on the package of rules making more telecommunications service available to more people, Babauta said in a news release. "The Lifeline and Lifelink programs pay part of the cost of having a telephone for people with low incomes," explained Babauta. "That ensures as many people as possible can have telephone, which is what 'universal service' is all about.

"Lifeline and Lifelink are not the only programs we've asked the FCC to extend to the CNMI, but I think they are particularly important because they provide a direct benefit to many telephone users in the CNMI."

The FCC universal service ruling is seen as an important step in implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. That Act for the first time included the CNMI and other insular areas of the US.

Babauta says credit for that should go to Representatives Thomas Bliley, Don Young, Edward Markey and Robert Underwood, and to Senators Larry Pressler, Mark Hatfield, Bennet Johnson and Daniel Inouye. "Getting the insular areas covered by the Telecommunications Act was the major breakthrough," says Babauta. "And our strategy paid off."

"Now we're engaged in follow-up on universal service, meeting and working with the FCC staff. It's important to make sure the Commission rules on implementing the Telecommunications Act are written in a way that gives the most benefit to the people of the CNMI."

2 nabbed in chair assault

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff
TWO men were arrested for allegedly beating and striking a man with a chair at a residence in Chalan Kanoa Monday morning. Kamruggaman MD, 28, and Mohammad Osman, 25, were held for assault and battery and assault with a dangerous weapon. The victim, described as 25-year-old man from Garapan, suffered minor injuries. Police said the two suspects physically assaulted the victim and hit the latter with a chair when they engaged in an argument. In other police report, investiga-

tors are looking into a theft case at the Neon Sign in Gualo Rai Monday. Stolen were some money and some signs. No arrest was made yet. Meanwhile, the Department of Public Safety informed yesterday the public that employees from the DPS will be participating in their "Public Service Recognition Ceremony" set today. The DPS said for the reason the Bureau of Motor Vehicle will be closed for business at 3 p.m. Regular working hours will resume tomorrow.

Cook Islands to host SPF

W. Samoa names envoy for Asia-Pacific region

WELLINGTON (Pacnews)-Western Samoa's prime minister, Tofilau Eti Alesana has appointed the country's longest serving diplomat, Afamasaga Toleafoa, as ambassador at large for the Asia Pacific region. Afamasaga will be based in the capital Apia, which will allow him to fulfill his duties as member of the parliament, RNZI reported. Last year, he quit as ambassador to the European Union and several European countries after winning a by-election as a candidate for the ruling Human Rights Protection Party. Alesana says Afamasaga's experience will be put to good use when the Pacific members of the LOME Convention prepare to re-negotiate the agreement with the European Union.

HONOLULU (Pacnews)-Cook Islands prime minister, Sir Geoffrey Henry, says his country's hosting of the South Pacific Forum next September will be a cause for a national celebration, as was the Sixth Festival of Pacific Arts in 1992. When the Forum opens in Rarotonga on September 17, he indicates in the Cook Islands Press

newspaper, that leaders from throughout the region will witness the result of a rebuilding Cook Islands economy, including significantly improved visitor facilities. Sir Geoffrey says, when the meeting begins, "I intend to cheer the sale of the Rarotongan Resort" and "warmly welcome" the arrival of Hawaii's Outrigger Hotels and Resorts as manager.

Some NZ\$3-million (US \$2M) are planned to be invested in upgrading the hotel property. Sir Geoffrey also notes that other privatization efforts continue in the Cooks, with the old government liquor monopoly, now privately owned and in new facilities, offering a greater variety of beer, wine, and spirits at lower prices than previously.

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Legality of American Samoan amnesty program questioned

PAGOPAGO (Pacnews)-A senator who heads the American Samoa Immigration Board, has questioned the legality of governor Tauese Sunia's amnesty programme. Senator Tuilefano Vaelaa said he cannot identify anywhere in the territory's law books, a law which gives the governor authority to issue amnesty for illegal overstayers. The senator says while the purpose of the amnesty programme is admirable, he believes the governor is overstepping the law. Tuilefano says the immigration board, a statutory board which approves applications for residency in American Samoa has been left out completely. He believes the governor should involve the board in hearings for the 2,066 people who have applied for amnesty.

Another HIV case in Kiribati

TARAWA (Pacnews)-The Health Authority in Kiribati has reported the thirteenth carrier of HIV in the country. Doctor Takeita Kienene said a sample of the carrier's blood was sent to Australia where the diagnosis was made. Radio Kiribati reports. Doctor Kienene said there are more possible HIV carriers whose blood samples will be sent to Australia for confirmation. He said blood testing for HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases is an ongoing exercise at the Nowerewere Central Hospital.

Landowners demand road development

PORT MORESBY (Pacnews)-Landowners from the Moran oil fields in Papua New Guinea's Southern Highlands Province say they will not allow the developers to go ahead with their plans to pipe crude oil to the Kumul terminal in Gulf Province for export.

Chairman of Hopapuku Landowners Association, Jipsack Manget, said the people will not allow this to happen unless their demands for development of roads in their area is met by the developers, NBC reported.

Manget said his association put forward certain proposals to the developers which include road infrastructure and are still waiting for a response. He says his group also wants the developers to build a town of its own for its work and to stop the fly-in-fly-out operation. Manget also called on developers, the landowners and both the national and provincial governments.

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Meeting of Melanesian ministers on in Samoa

HONIARA (Pacnews)-The first ever official meeting of Melanesian Spearhead Group foreign ministers began in the Fiji capital Suva yesterday after being postponed yesterday.

Attending the one-day meeting are foreign ministers of Fiji, Felipe Bole, who will chair the meeting, Papua New Guinea's Kolroy Genia, Solomon Islands David Sitai and Willie Jimmy of Vanuatu. SIBC reported.

The FLNKS is being represented by Richard Kaloi.

The foreign ministers are expected to finalize the agenda of the 11th MGS summit which is expected to open in Suva Wednesday and move

onto Savusavu on Fiji's northern island of Vanua Levu.

Organizers had to alter the programme for the Summit slightly because of Cyclone June which affected Fiji over the last few days.

High on agenda at today's meeting is a report on MSG activities and how to effectively implement the group's decisions.

The 11th MSG summit is expected to be attended by Fiji prime minister, Sitiveni Rabuka, PNG's acting prime minister John Giheno, Solomon Islands prime minister, Solomon Mamaloni and Vanuatu's prime minister, Serge Vohor.

Elsewhere in the Pacific

Western Samoa visas being advertised for sale in HK

APIA (Pacnews)-A Chinese businessman claims that Western Samoan passports and visas are being advertised in newspapers in Hong Kong.

Michael Zhou told the Sunday Samoan in Apia that he and his companion, both from mainland China, had bought a visa for US \$9,000 in Hong Kong to travel to Western Samoa to spot investment opportunities.

They were stopped at Faleolo Airport by Customs Department officials and told the visa was invalid.

An investigation into a passport scam at Immigration began when a Chinese man, who said he could not speak either Samoan or English, was arrested at Faleolo airport carrying a Western Samoan passport on April 7. The Sunday Samoan understands

the investigation started by the police has now been taken over by the Public Commission.

Meanwhile, well known businessman in Apia, Sam Aiono says he called to appear before the investigators because someone is travelling around China with a Western Samoan passport with the name Sam Aiono on it.

EC to fund Solomons census

HONIARA (Pacnews)-The European Commission (EC) has agreed to

provide US \$2.1 million to conduct the overdue Solomon Islands national population census.

The funding was agreed on at a recent meeting in Brussels between Solomon Islands Deputy Prime Minister and National Planning Minister, Francis Saemala, and the EC Director General for Development, Philippe Soubestre.

A ten-yearly Solomon Islands population census was due last November.

And although the EC had been willing us could not be held in time as it was one of the EC projects affected by a prolonged suspension of aid projects imposed by the Mamaloigo government.

However, the ministry of national planning and development says the Brussels meeting has agreed the appraisal of the census should now be accelerated so that EC funding can be made available without further delay.

Ona: Peace follows reconciliation

HONIARA (Pacnews)-President of the secessionist Bougainville Interim Government, Francis Ona, says lasting peace can only come to the crisis torn island when all Bougainvilleans have reconciled.

But Ona says the Papua New Guinea government and its security forces are the obstacles to

Ona says the secessionist movement has already been carrying out successful reconciliatory discussions in Bougainvilleans Revolutionary Army controlled areas.

He says attempts to reach PNG controlled areas have been hindered by security forces who restricted the movement of people at the care centers.

Classroom contract awarded

PORT MORESBY (Pacnews)—Port Moresby city authorities have awarded a contract worth 829,000 Kina (US \$605,000) to a company to supply building materials for the construction of 130 classrooms at various schools Papua New Guinea's National Capital District this year.

The contract between the NCD commission and Associated

Plumbing Installation, API, is part of the Commission's five-year project to build 130 classrooms each year, NBC reports.

NCD governor Bill Skate says local construction companies will build the classrooms, each of which will cost less than 14,000 Kina (US \$10,200) resulting in savings of over 600,000 Kina (US \$438,000) for this year alone.

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Taiwan PM told to quit

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP)- Opposition parties demanded Monday that Premier Lien Chan resign, and threatened to scrap constitutional reforms in a growing backlash against the government's handling of violent crime.

National Assembly deputies from the main opposition Democratic Progressive Party threatened President Lee Teng-hui with a recall motion if he doesn't replace Lien and the Cabinet by Sunday.

The DPP controls 100 seats in the 334-seat assembly, and would need 84 more votes to mount the recall and put it before voters as a national referendum.

The assembly was to have started debate Monday on constitutional amendments to reshape the island's government. The body has the power to amend the constitution and also may order recall votes.

Amendments before the session would expand the powers of the president, while reducing the assembly to a body appointed according to the proportion of votes each party receives in the main national legislature.

But deputies from the New Party staged a sit-in demanding



Lien Chan

improvements in law and order before the amendments are considered. Their boycott blocked the formal start of the session.

The sit-in followed a protest march Sunday supported by both opposition parties and attended by up to 50,000 people. They demanded that Lee publicly admit error in handling crime and dissolve the Cabinet.

Their outrage has been galvanized by the kidnapping and murder last month of Pai Hsiao-yen, 17-year-old daughter of singer-actress Pai Ping-ping, a crime many see as indicative of growing lawlessness.

Three key suspects in Hsiao-yen's killing remain at large, and

five people are being held for questioning. The killing follows two high-profile and still unsolved murder cases last year.

Government spokesman Su Chi said Sunday's march "wasn't a bad thing," but argued that Hsiao-yen's killing has obscured the

government's gains in improving law and order.

"Public safety hasn't gotten worse; actually it's gotten better," Su told reporters, without providing any figures to back up his claim.

Calls for members of the government to be replaced should be recon-

sidered, he added.

Interior Minister Lin Feng-cheng said he "wouldn't sidestep responsibility."

Lee issued an apology for growing crime through a spokesman last week, but that seems to have done little to appease public anger.



Two mask-wearing marchers take part in a protest against government's ineffectiveness in stemming rising violent crime in Taipei Sunday. The march, joined by about 30,000 participants, was sparked by the recent kidnapping and brutal murder of a popular performer's daughter. AP

Vietnam foreign minister starts visit to North Korea

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) - Vietnam's foreign minister, Nguyen Manh Cam, has started an official four-day visit to North Korea, said a foreign ministry statement issued Tuesday.

Cam will hold talks with his North Korean counterpart to discuss a range of bilateral issues, the statement said.

The meetings come as North Korea searches for food aid to ward off what relief experts say is an impending mass famine. Last month, North Korea failed to secure rice shipments from Vietnam, it's

onetime close ideological ally.

Deputy Prime Minister Kong Chin-tae, during a visit to Hanoi, could not agree on payment terms with Vietnam for shipments of food relief.

Vietnam is trying to maintain ties to the North, while nurturing a new partnership with the South, one of Hanoi's largest investors.

Ties between North Korea and Vietnam remain cordial in public, but have been strained since Hanoi established diplomatic ties with South Korea in 1992.

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
DEVELOPMENT APPEALS BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY JOSE P. CRUZ, CHAIRMAN FOR THE CNMI DEVELOPMENT APPEALS BOARD

The Development Appeals Board (DAB) is pleased to announce that as of its April 24, 1997, Board meeting, the DAB has officially been organized. The purpose of the DAB is to hear and resolve appeals from adverse decisions of Commonwealth agencies and instrumentalities regarding permits and other approvals required for private sector development. For additional information, members of the public may contact Arlene A. Yamagata, Acting Administrative Assistant, Development Appeals Board. 664-2306 (voice), 664-2210 (facsimile), office of the Special Assistant for Administration, P.O. Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950.

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Fall of Kinshasa feared

By DIANNA CAHN
LUBUMBASHI, Zaire (AP) - Desperate to prevent an all-out attack on the Zairian capital, a U.S. envoy pressed rebels Monday to enter Kinshasa peacefully, and shuttle around Africa to talk with their leader and the influential men who back him.

Bill Richardson, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, urged restraint during the eight days that rebel leader Laurent Kabila has given President Mobutu Sese Seko to resign or be chased out of Kinshasa.

"He has to choose to relinquish power and he is safeguarded, or he perishes with his power," Kabila said in this southern rebel stronghold a day after peace talks with Mobutu.

The rebels said in a statement they would guarantee Mobutu's safety and

that of his family if he resigned now.

Kabila's 70,000-strong rebel army has captured more than three-quarters of Zaire in its drive to end Mobutu's nearly 32-year dictatorship. Kabila said the vanguard of his forces was 40 miles (65 kilometers) from Kinshasa's international airport and would be at the outskirts of the city of 6 million in a few days.

For weeks, leaflets purportedly from the rebels have told Kinshasa residents that rebel forces were almost there.

Asked what would happen if Mobutu ignored his deadline, Kabila said: "He will be chased from the power, pushed out of Kinshasa in a few days."

Mobutu and Kabila apparently made little progress toward ending the seven-month war in talks Sunday



Mobutu Sese Seko



Bill Richardson



Laurent Kabila

aboard a South African naval ship docked in Pointe Noire, Congo, agreeing only to meet again within 10 days.

Richardson met with Kabila for an hour Monday and said he was encouraged by Kabila's conciliatory tone toward Mobutu. The former New Mexico congressman - who built a reputation for concluding tricky negotiations in North Korea and Sudan - said he delivered an urgent message to Kabila from U.S. President Bill Clinton.

"Westressed our longstanding view that for the benefit of the Zairian people ... there should be a peaceful entry into the capital of Kinshasa - a soft landing which avoids violence and chaos," Richardson said.

The United States also wants an "inclusive" transitional government and fair and open elections, he said.

Mobutu, 66, who is seriously ill with prostate cancer, agreed that a transitional authority should be established to organize elections. He

said he would hand over power to an elected authority.

Kabila, whose forces control all but Zaire's far north and west, demands Mobutu immediately transfer power to the rebel alliance.

Asked about Kabila on Monday, White House spokesman Mike McCurry said U.S. officials "don't have a thorough assessment of him as a political leader."

The United States and other western powers have troops stationed across the Zaire River in Congo and offshore to evacuate their nationals from Kinshasa, if needed. U.S. officials in Washington expressed growing concern Monday for the roughly 440 Americans in the city, worrying most about violence by Mobutu's forces.

Unpaid, undisciplined Zairian soldiers have been looting towns across Zaire, then running away just before a rebel onslaught. A rebel assault on the capital could provoke looting and

mayhem that would make evacuations more likely.

However, the streets of Kinshasa were calm Monday, with no sign of panic and little evidence of army preparations.

After meeting Monday with Kabila, Richardson headed to Botswana to speak with Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, who was attending a conference in the southern African country. He met in Kigali, Rwanda, on Sunday with Defense Minister Paul Kagame.

Both men, whom Richardson referred to as "big players" in the Zaire conflict, are widely believed to back Kabila with troops and weapons.

They are interested in seeing Mobutu fall because he backed the former militant Hutu regime in Rwanda that was behind the slaughter of a half-million Tutsis in 1994. Museveni is from the small group of Bahima people in western Uganda, who are related to the Tutsis.



Zairian soldiers patrol the airport while waiting for President Mobutu Sese Seko to arrive from his meeting with rebel commander Laurent Kabila Monday. Despite negotiations, Kabila has said that Mobutu must resign immediately or he will be chased away in humiliation. AP

Blair to meet Irish PM

Meeting may spur hope for Northern Ireland peace



Tony Blair

LONDON (AP) - Britain's new Prime Minister Tony Blair will meet his Irish counterpart John Bruton on Thursday to discuss how to give new impetus to stalled Northern Ireland peace talks.

The meeting, Blair's first with another national leader since his Labor Party swept to power in elections on May 1, will be held at Blair's 10 Downing Street office, officials said Monday night.

Bruton said Monday a change of administration in Britain offers new opportunities for ending more than a quarter century of sectarian strife in Northern Ireland.

"I believe we can develop many new possibilities for co-operation in regard to Northern Ireland, bilaterally and within Europe," he said.

"We are about to enter a new century in Anglo-Irish relations ... There are many things that we want to achieve - an end to political and sectarian violence being the first," he said.

News reports said Bruton wants to establish contact with

Blair before announcing national elections of his own, probably early in June.

New Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam and Irish deputy premier Dick Spring will also attend Thursday's discussions, Blair's office said.

Peace talks, now adjourned, have achieved little since they began last summer in Belfast. They are due to resume in the city

Palestinians to US: Urge end to Israeli settlements

By DAN PERRY
TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) - Israeli President Ezer Weizman travels to Gaza Tuesday for talks with Yasser Arafat, amid hopes for a compromise formula to end the two-month crisis between Israel and the Palestinians.

U.S. envoy Dennis Ross is expected to return to the region after the meeting - the first high-level contact since March, when Israel enraged the Palestinians by breaking ground on a new Jewish neighborhood in disputed east Jerusalem.

The meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. (1500 GMT) at the Erez Crossing between Israel and autonomous Gaza.

Weizman is a figurehead, but he is a strong supporter of peace-making and very respected by Palestinians. There were signs Monday that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was trying to use him to draw Arafat back to the negotiating table.

Israel Radio said Netanyahu decided in a meeting with Foreign Minister David Levy and Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai that Israel was prepared to negotiate again as long as Arafat ordered the resumption of intelligence-sharing with Israel. Such cooperation has been credited with preventing terror attacks.

Netanyahu adviser David Bar-Illan said the premier met with Weizman Monday night, and Israeli media said he empowered him to offer Arafat a series of concessions.

Israel's Channel 2 TV said these included commitments to allow the building of air and sea ports in Gaza, building new Palestinian housing in Jerusalem and establishment of safe passage routes between the West Bank and Gaza.

It said Netanyahu was also urging Arafat to agree to his past offer of a

speedy negotiation to reach a final peace settlement by year's end. The Israel-PLO accords call for such a final deal - tackling tough issues like Palestinian statehood - by 1999.

The Palestinians reacted coolly to Netanyahu's proposal for accelerated talks two months ago because they saw it as a plot to evade carrying out the three further West Bank troop pullouts included in the existing accords. Netanyahu was willing now to promise that Israel would pull out while final settlement talks were going on, the TV report said.

However, Israeli officials said Monday they would not agree to the Palestinians' central demand - stopping construction of the 6,500-home Har Homa neighborhood on an east Jerusalem hilltop known to Arabs as Jebel Abu Ghneim.

Arafat spokesman Marwan Kanafani said Monday that this would be the key to resuming negotiations. "If (Ross) wants the peace process to return to its normal track ... there is a magic word for this: the immediate stopping of settlements," Kanafani said.

Arafat, who returned to Gaza from Cairo, accused Israel of "breaching of all the agreements... There is no accurate or honest implementation."

The Israeli newspaper Yediot Achronot said the United States has warned Israel that if the current round of talks does not succeed, America will reconsider its involvement in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

Speaking on the Voice of Palestine Radio, Palestinian Cabinet Minister Hanan Ashrawi said the Palestinians had "no expectations" about the Ross visit and said the Americans needed to take a tougher stand with Israel, especially on settlements.

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Clinton arrives in Mexico



U.S. President Bill Clinton is greeted by Mexican Foreign Minister Jose Angel Gurría as he arrives Monday at the Presidential hangar of the Benito Juárez International Airport in Mexico City. Clinton is on a two-day visit to Mexico. AP

By ANITA SNOW
MEXICO CITY (AP) - Hoping to ease tensions between neighbors, U.S. President Bill Clinton has begun a goodwill trip to Mexico by pledging "to find common solutions to common problems," including drugs, immigration and trade.

"We must cooperate as never before," Clinton declared Monday.

In a modest symbol of the administration's support, the State Department announced shortly before his arrival that it would give Mexico \$1.6 billion to help fight drug trafficking.

Clinton arrived Monday night af-

ter a four-hour flight and toured the National Museum of Anthropology with Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo. Their work begins Tuesday, with private talks and a news conference. At the museum, the two presidents posed for pictures before an Aztec calendar dating back some 2,000 years between the 10th and 15th century.

"We will be able to make further progress on the specific issues that concern both countries - such as trade, drug trafficking, migration, border issues," Zedillo predicted in an interview broadcast Monday.

Mexican and American Cabinet

officials met all day to hammer out a series of modest agreements in advance of their boss' talks. The highlight was \$1.6 billion to train narcotics officers hired after a recent purge of the Mexican anti-narcotics program.

Drug trafficking is the main trouble spot in U.S.-Mexico relations. America wants its southern neighbor to do more to stop the flow; Mexico says the United States should shoulder some blame.

The meetings also produced provisions to build a new bridge between Brownsville, Texas, and neighboring Matamoros, Mexico, and two

sewage treatment plants on the border.

In advance of Clinton's visit, Mexico abolished its scandal-plagued drug-fighting agency and shifted its responsibilities to the attorney general. The former drug czar, army Gen. Jesus Gutiérrez Rebollo, was fired in February after authorities charged him with being on the payroll of Mexico's No. 1 cocaine trafficker, Amado Camillo Fuentes.

In an interview on the U.S. Public Broadcasting Service, Zedillo said corruption is inherent in drug-fighting operations.

"We will be able to make more rapid progress in the years to come especially if we strengthen this relationship that we have been building with the U.S. government to attack this problem," he said.

Clinton's visit prompted at least two separate demonstrations. "Clinton go home!" read a sign at a protest of 2,000 unionized teachers.

In a departure statement at the White House, Clinton said the United States and Mexico are "facing up to problems we cannot defeat alone, like drugs, crime and corruption."

"Beyond the 2,000-mile (3,200-kilometer) border that joins us, beyond the strong bonds of trade that benefit both our people, we must

cooperate as never before to find common solutions to common problems," he said.

Clinton may encounter harsh sentiments about drugs. Many Mexicans believe they are seen unfairly as traffickers by Americans who refuse to assume equal responsibility for creating a demand for drugs that encourages trafficking. In Mexico City, perfume salesman Hector Calderon, 69, voiced a widely held opinion when asked about the coming visit: "Clinton should remember if they couldn't sell the drugs in the United States, it wouldn't be a problem for us here in Mexico."

Nemesio Rodriguez, 65, a retired military officer, recalled a \$13.5 billion loan that Clinton engineered in 1994 to bail out the Mexican peso and said Mexicans should be more grateful.

"When we were in a crisis, Clinton gave us a big hand," Rodriguez said. Actually, he said, "If it weren't for drug-trafficking problems, I'd say the relationship is great."

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, who arrived a day ahead of her husband, got an earful about tough new immigration laws on her visit with Mexican Indian women in Merida.

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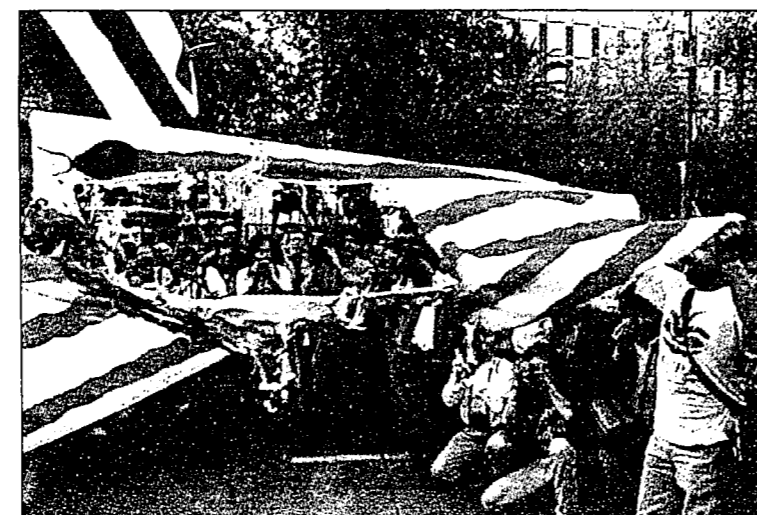
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Names of the five others charged with the McLaren were not released because they are not in custody.



Protesters burn the American flag in front of the United States Embassy in Mexico City Monday, in protest against U.S. President Bill Clinton's visit. AP

Texas separatist dies in gun battle

Hunt continues for a second Texas fugitive



U.S. Attorney Paul Coggins, center, announces a 25-count indictment at his office in Dallas Monday against Republic of Texas leader Richard McLaren, Evelyn McLaren and five others. The indictment accused both McLaren and the five others of issuing more than \$1.8 billion in bogus Republic of Texas financial documents and using them to pay legitimate bills. AP

By MARK BABINECK
FORT DAVIS, Texas (AP) - A fugitive member of the Republic of Texas was killed in a gun battle with police who had been tracking him since he fled the secessionist group's hideout.

A second man remained at large Monday in the rugged Davis Mountains, where the two had headed separately before the rest of the militant group laid down their arms over the weekend.

The group's leader and several other people were named Monday in a federal fraud indictment.

The gunfire took place at a bunker about a mile (1.6 kilometers) from the group's "embassy" headquarters in a sparse mountain development, state officials said.

The dead man had apparently been shooting at police tracking dogs and a helicopter that were searching for the pair, said Sherri Deatherage Green, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"Shots were fired from the helicopter and from the ground at the suspect," she said.

The dead man's name was not immediately known. The two men being sought were identified as Richard Keyes III, 21, and Mike Matson, 48.

Of the two, only Keyes was charged with a crime. He was accused of

organizing criminal activity and kidnapping related to an April 27 hostage-taking that started the group's seven-day standoff, which ended peacefully Saturday.

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McVeigh sister takes stand

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
DENVER (AP) - Timothy McVeigh's sister took the stand against him in the Oklahoma City bombing trial Monday, identifying his handwriting on anti-government literature and a note to buy more dynamite.

Testifying under immunity from prosecution, Jennifer McVeigh said she recognized the small printed letters on the back of a military supply store business card found after the bombing. It read: "TNT at \$5/stick. Needs more."

"Who's handwriting is that?" asked prosecutor Beth Wilkinson. "Tim's," Ms. McVeigh said in a clear voice.

She also identified her brother's handwriting on literature found in his car after the

bombing, including a note that said, "Obey the constitution of the United States and we won't shoot you."

"It's Tim's handwriting," she said.

Ms. McVeigh, 23, was expected to testify that she shared some of her brother's anti-government views and received a letter from him three weeks before the blast saying, "Something big is about to happen."

McVeigh, a 29-year-old Gulf War veteran, could face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy in the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil: the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building that killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

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NMHC anticipates to have speakers who will present topics on choosing a house, energy efficiency, fire safety, selection of contractor(s), construction methods, appraisal, shopping for a residential loan, title examination and insurance, project inspections, budget and house maintenance, permits (Building Safety office, Division of Public Lands and Environmental Quality, and Coastal Resources Management Office), etc...

Prospective homeowners who have yet to commence or complete construction of their house are encouraged to participate in this event. Anyone interested in receiving more details concerning the above, is encouraged to contact the NMHC at telephone numbers 234-7689/7690/6866/9447.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

In the Matter of the Estate of LARRY LEE HILLBLOM, Deceased.
CIVIL ACTION NO. 95-626-D

ORDER TO APPEAR TO ALL PERSONS CLAIMING AN HEIRSHIP INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF LARRY LEE HILLBLOM

It is hereby Ordered that any person claiming to be an heir to the Estate of Larry Lee Hillblom, deceased, file a petition so alleging pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of this Court no later than sixty days after May 6, 1997, the first publication of this Notice.

No claim of heirship will be accepted by this Court after said date, and any person not timely filing an appropriate heirship claim within the time frame stated above shall be barred from sharing in the distribution of assets under the jurisdiction of this Court. This Order applies to all persons including infants, minor children and adults. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to limit any defenses available to the Executor of the Estate, the Will beneficiaries, creditors or other heir claimants to such heirship petition or claim, including but not limited to the defense that such claims are already barred for failure to timely file.

Any person filing a claim pursuant to this Notice must pay all of his or her own costs, including but not limited to attorney's fees, relating to the claim. Any claim filed is subject to adjudication before this Court and is subject to opposition by other claimants, the beneficiaries and the Executor of the Estate.

BY APRIL 4, 1997 ORDER OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY H. BELLAS

No pact in Korea food talks

By JOHN LEICESTER
BEIJING (AP) - The first talks in nearly five years between Red Cross officials from North and South Korea ended Monday without agreement on food aid for the famine-threatened North, officials said.

The talks bogged down over how much food would go to the North and how it would get there. But, in what was seen as a positive development, the two sides agreed to meet again for more talks expected soon.

Given the enmity between the two Koreas, their meeting at all was an indication of the severity of North Korea's food crisis and the alarm it has aroused in Pyongyang and Seoul.

South Korean Red Cross officials sought Monday to discuss how to move aid from South to North, but their Northern counterparts refused, said Chang Moon-ik, spokesman for the South Korean Embassy in Beijing.

The North Koreans insisted that Seoul first spell out how much aid it plans to deliver and when.

"I expected they would have something in their hands to deliver to us, but when we arrived and met together I came to know that they came with no firm pledge," said Paek Yong Ho, secretary-general of the North Korean Red Cross.

He added: "Without knowing the quantity and the timing, how can we discuss transportation of relief goods?"

The South Koreans said they could not specify the amount of aid because it will depend on how much they receive in public donations.

The two sides agreed to further

talks at a time and place to be discussed later through a telephone link at Panmunjom, a village in the heavily defended demilitarized zone that divides the two Koreas, officials said.

"Each side fully understands the opponent's position. I think that is an achievement," said Chang, the South Korean spokesman.

Johan Schaar of the International Federation of the Red Cross said the talks took place in a "very good atmosphere" and were "very positive."

"This is important," he said.

The talks in neutral Beijing were the first in nearly five years between Red Cross officials of the rival Koreas.

Both the North Korean and South Korean Red Cross chapters are closely allied with their governments. Political tensions have stymied previous talks.

The two delegations met Saturday and spent Sunday consulting with their respective offices in Pyongyang and Seoul before returning to the negotiating table for two hours Monday.

Lee Byung-woong, head of the South Korean delegation, said they proposed that aid be delivered directly from South to North through several channels. Seoul proposed that some aid go in trucks through Panmunjom. Red Cross officials said.

Schaar said the South Korean Red Cross wants aid to go directly because it includes public donations. The South also wants it marked to show it came from South Korea and to monitor its distribution.



South Korean Red Cross chief negotiator Lee Byung-woong speaks at a press conference in Beijing Monday following meetings with North Korean Red Cross officials. Lee said talks on possible food aid for famine-struck North Korea would continue in the border village of Panmunjom. AP

UN agency: 5 nations suffer famine

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) - Most Asians will have more than enough cereals to eat this year, but famine is stalking areas of North Korea and four other countries also have problems, a U.N. agency said Monday.

"Generally good growing conditions in Asian countries in 1996 raised local food supplies," said a news release from the Food and Agriculture Organization. Most Asians, it said, will have access to more than 180 kilograms (396 pounds) of cereals per person this year.

The world average of cereal consumption for developing countries has risen to 172 kilograms (372 pounds), it added.

But the release said the food situation in North Korea continues to deteriorate and the "outlook for 1997 appears grim."

The optimistic overall picture also was marred by flood-damaged crops in Cambodia and Laos, drought in Sri Lanka and Mongolia's complex problems in shifting from a centralized economy to a free market, it said.

The U.N. agency said Cambodia will have a thin cereals surplus but needs to help 265 badly affected communities. Landlocked Laos needs emergency food aid for 420,000 people, while drought damage to rice crops in Sri Lanka has been exacerbated by continuing communal strife.

The FAO said that by this month, rice and maize reserves in North Korea are expected to be at zero, unless aid flows in.

"The severity of North Korea's food shortages may be seen in the fact that people prematurely consumed, as fresh cobs, half of its maize harvest," the release said.

Indonesia says it will punish perpetrators

Gold mining hoax probed

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) - The Indonesian government vowed Monday to punish whomever was responsible for the huge gold mining hoax at Busang on the island of Borneo.

"The lawbreakers must be sanctioned," Mining Minister Ida Bagus Sudjana told reporters.

Sudjana spoke just hours after an independent testing firm reported that the giant gold find announced by Bre-X Minerals, a small Canadian mining company, was a hoax.

Strathcona Mineral Services Ltd., in its report released in Canada, said its tests showed no evidence of any gold worth mining.

Strathcona also asserted that the supposedly promising Busang samples gathered earlier by Bre-X had been tampered with by the addition of gold from other sources. However, the report did not indicate who might have been responsible for the tampering.

The announcement by Bre-X in January that its initial claim of up to \$70 billion in gold at the field may have been false cast a pall over Indonesia's mining industry. Dozens of contracts for other foreign mining companies were delayed for months.

Sudjana said Indonesian officials were reviewing the Canadian report, copies of which were released in



Ida Bagus Sudjana

Jakarta Monday morning.

"The government, of course, will take strong measures," Sudjana said, without elaborating.

Sudjana said he would discuss the matter with President Suharto before a decision on what action to take.

"The president has followed this issue since the start," he said.

Sudjana said the Indonesian government had not been surprised by Strathcona's findings.

"The government had anticipated the results of the report because we have had our own data about the gold deposit there," the minister said.

Officials at Bre-X's Jakarta office refused to comment.

Nia Sarinastiti, a spokeswoman for

the Busang joint-venture consortium, said other partners in the project were studying the report and would make a statement late Monday.

Bre-X has a 45 percent stake in the consortium. New Orleans-based Freeport Mohan Copper and Gold was to have operated the Busang mine with a 15 percent stake.

Freeport first cast doubt on Bre-X's original claims earlier this year.

The Indonesian government owns 10 percent of the venture.

The other partners are two Indonesian companies, PT Askatindo Karya Mineral and PT Amsya Lyna, with a combined 30 percent stake. The two companies are headed by Mohamad "Bob" Hasan, one of Indonesia's richest men and Suharto's close confidant.



The main gate of the Calgary-based Bre-X Minerals Ltd. complex in Borneo. A consulting firm, hired to resolve a dispute over the value of Bre-X Minerals' Indonesian site, said in a report released Sunday that its tests showed no evidence of any gold worth mining. AP

Human rights activist expelled by Indonesia

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) - A Malaysian human rights activist said Monday he was expelled from Indonesia when he arrived to attend a conference on the status of the Palestinian territories.

Syed Husin Ali, a legislator and president of the opposition People's Party, said Indonesian officials took him from his Jakarta hotel Sunday and put him on a flight to Malaysia.

"They did not give me any reason," he told The Associated Press.

Syed Husin was in Jakarta to attend a May 4-7 conference on "the question of Palestine" with private groups and U.N. officials.

The human rights group Voice of Malaysian Citizens issued a statement Monday urging the Malaysian government to make a formal protest to Indonesia and "insist on

an apology to Malaysia and Syed Husin."

The statement said the deportation showed "the Indonesian government's contempt for the United Nations' efforts to seek peace and justice for the Palestinian people."

Syed Husin was among the activists detained in Malaysia in November after attackers sent by the ruling party violently disrupted an international conference on East Timor, the former Portuguese colony invaded by Indonesia in 1975.

Syed Husin, a former anthropology professor at the University of Malaya, said his expulsion from Indonesia forced him to miss appointments with opposition figures such as pro-democracy leader Megawati Sukarnoputri.

Invitation

Teno and Sophie, Jess and Annie, invite all members of the community to a friendly get-together this Friday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m., at Teno and Sophie's residence in As Lito. Please come and meet the Republican candidates in the upcoming general elections.

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Nightly holy rosary will begin on Saturday, May 10, 1997, at 8:00 p.m. until Sunday, May 18, 1997 at their residence in As Matnis Homestead.

On the final day, Saturday, May 17, 1997, mass of intention will be at 5:00 p.m.

Dinner will be served immediately after the mass.

Please join us in prayer:

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 From the Family

Death & Funeral Announcement

Lydia Sablan Benavente Fujihira
 Born: April 10, 1960
 was called to her eternal rest on May 3, 1997
 at the age of 37 in Portland Oregon

ON HER DEATH SHE NOW JOINS:
 FATHER: Fernando M. Benavente BROTHER: Juan S. Benavente STEP-SISTER: Conchita Palacios
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 CHILDREN: Kevet B. and Francylinn B. Acera

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 Alice B. Guillermo S. Aguilo (Brandon, Ruzell, Vincent, Ske)
 Lilian B. Carlos Diaz (Catalina)

She is additionally survived by numerous uncles, aunts, nephews, and nieces.
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A non refundable fee of twenty five \$25.00 U.S. Dollars must accompany the proposal. The twenty five dollars may be a cashier's check, certified check, or other forms acceptable by the Public School System and made payable to PSS Treasurer. The proposer is required to submit with his proposal a copy of his business license.

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**Masked men attack
Cambodia TV station**

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) - Masked men attacked a Cambodian television station with grenades and rifle fire, killing one journalist and wounding one other and a guard in what police Monday called another case of political violence.

Pich Em, a journalist working for Kompong Som Television in the port city of Sihanoukville, 185 kilometers (115 miles) southwest of Phnom Penh, died of his wounds in a local hospital Monday afternoon, police said.

He was hit by shrapnel as he was broadcasting the news Sunday night when seven assailants, their faces masked with black cloth, used grenade launch-

ers and AK-47 assault rifles in a military-style attack on the station.

Hem Bunsat, the Sihanoukville police chief, said he believed the attack was politically motivated.

On April 22, heavily armed men loyal to the royalist party of Co-Premier Norodom Ranariddh descended on the station, demanding that its staff air a tape of a news conference by a senior party member.

Kang Saran, the station's manager, refused to broadcast the tape, on which Ranariddh's bitter rival, Co-Premier Hun Sen, was harshly criticized.

Police said they were investigating the incident.

Ly Thuch, spokesman for the royalist party, denied that its forces were involved in Sunday's attack, saying, "We are not cruel like that."

"I have condemned the attack and appealed to the authorities to bring the criminals to court," Ly Thuch said.

The conflict between Ranariddh and Hun Sen has nearly paralyzed the country and brought it to the brink of armed conflicts between military factions loyal to the rival premiers, who share power in an increasingly unworkable coalition.

Violent attacks on demonstrators and critics of the government, allegedly orchestrated by Hun Sen, have increased in recent months.

Rallyists denounce US, Suu Kyi

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) - More than 35,000 people attending a rally in Mandalay accused the United States of bullying Burma with economic sanctions and vowed to crush democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi, state-run newspapers said Monday.

The rally Sunday in Burma's sec-

ond largest city was held by the Union Solidarity and Development Association, a mass organization controlled by Burma's military government.

"The American government's imposing sanctions is like stepping on its own feet," said Tin Maung Oo, a Union official. "The United States

government is bullying smaller nations and violating the U.N. charter and the code of conduct of the world's nations."

He lauded the military government's social, political and economic achievements.

Burma's military government is considered a pariah by most Western nations and is condemned regularly by the United Nations for relentless human rights violations.

On April 22, President Clinton invoked economic sanctions against the regime because of its stepped up repression against the country's democracy movement led by Suu Kyi.

Suu Kyi, whose movements and contacts with the outside world have been severely restricted by the military since September, had been calling for the sanctions for months.

More than 30,000 Union members rallied in Rangoon Saturday and threatened to "punish" the Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

Union members were part of a government-paid mob that attacked Suu Kyi's motorcade with sticks, chains and crowbars in November. A vice chairman of the party was slightly injured in the assault.

Suu Kyi has compared them to the Hitler Youth of Germany.

Tin Maung Oo said the United States invoked sanctions to find a way out of its own domestic problems, to interfere in the internal affairs of smaller countries and to encourage "the internal destructionist group they have nurtured," a reference to Suu Kyi's party.

"The crowd at the rally chanted, 'Crush internal and external destructionists.'"

He also condemned the United States and Suu Kyi for trying to persuade the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, a regional economic grouping, not to admit Burma, as it is expected to do in July.

More rallies are expected in other cities in the coming days. The military government increases their size and frequency when international attention focuses on Suu Kyi or the government's abuses. The rallies are an attempt to intimidate opponents and show that the regime has widespread support.

Suu Kyi remains popular with many Burmese, however, while the military government is feared by most, reviled by many.

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DEVELOPMENT APPEALS BOARD**

NOTICE

Governor Froilan C. Tenorio and Lt. Governor Jesus C. Borja, through the Development Appeals Board, hereby given NOTICE that a special meeting of the Commonwealth Development Appeals Board will be held on Thursday, May 08, 1997, at 1:00 p.m., at the Governor's Conference Room, Administration Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan. The Agenda is set forth as follows:

- I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS
 - A. Call to Order
 - B. Roll Call
 - C. Adoption of Agenda
 - D. Adoption of Minutes (April 24, 1997)
- II. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
- III. OLD BUSINESS
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. CRM Permitted Projects Pending Appeal
 - B. Correspondence
- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- VI. MISCELLANEOUS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

/s/ JOSE P. CRUZ
Chairman

Strikes grip France highways

PARIS (AP) - French motorists were stuck in dozens of traffic jams countrywide Monday during a strike staged by truckers and bus drivers whose highway blockades have already led to one death.

The Truckers blocked off highways or slowed to a crawl in several "operation snail" protests aimed at forcing the government to put in place early retirement benefits the drivers won in a longer strike last fall.

One of the unions behind the protest, Workers Force, called on the te Lemieux lives up to it.

Clearly in his element in the postseason, the Colorado winger has scored an NHL-high seven goals in eight playoff games, including the clinching goal in Sunday night's 4-1 victory over Edmonton.

"I live for this time of year," Lemieux said.

Lemieux has become as known for postseason heroics as he has for his unsavory image... that of a pest, a disturber with a nasty streak who antagonizes opponents. Some foes

openly hate him, but they dare not ignore him at this time of year.

Lemieux's playoff prowess began 11 years ago. A late-season call-up by Montreal, he and young goalie Patrick Roy helped spark the Canadiens to the 1986 Stanley Cup title. Lemieux scored 10 goals in 20 games in those playoffs.

Two years ago, Lemieux scored only six goals in the strike-shortened 45-game regular season, then had 13 goals in 20 playoff games to lead New Jersey to the Cup. He won the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP.

Last year, he had one of his most productive regular seasons and played well in the playoffs, setting a standard for toughness before being tossed out of Game 6 of the Western Conference finals against Detroit after his hit on Kris Draper. He was suspended for the first two games of the Cup finals against Florida, finishing with five goals and seven assists.

"You can never compare my regular season with the playoffs," Lemieux said. "It's been like that for many

years. It's a whole new season, a different game. The emotion of the Stanley Cup with three different teams. He's hoping to drink from the Cup for a fourth time with the defending champion Avalanche, who hold a 2-0 lead in their second-round series against the Oilers.

His goal Sunday night was vin-

tage Lemieux. With Colorado clinging to a 2-1 lead, he drew a roughing penalty against Bryan Muir 11 minutes into the second period. Thirty-five seconds later, he muscled his way to the right of the crease, took a feed from behind the goal by Valeri Kamensky and beat Curtis Joseph on the power play.

"I got hit from behind," Lemieux said. "I didn't know if he was going to call it. It's always great when you draw a penalty and then get to score on the power play. "Our line has been playing well. We know each other very well. We've played together now for two years, and we've had some real good games lately.

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Russia eyes budget cuts

MOSCOW (AP) - The Russian government wants to cut this year's budget by some 20 percent because of a drastic shortfall in taxes and other revenue, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported Monday.

Plans to cut spending by some 108 trillion rubles (\$ 18.8 billion) from the 1997 budget of 530 trillion rubles (\$ 92 billion) were sent to parliament last week, according to the report. Details of the proposed cuts were not given.

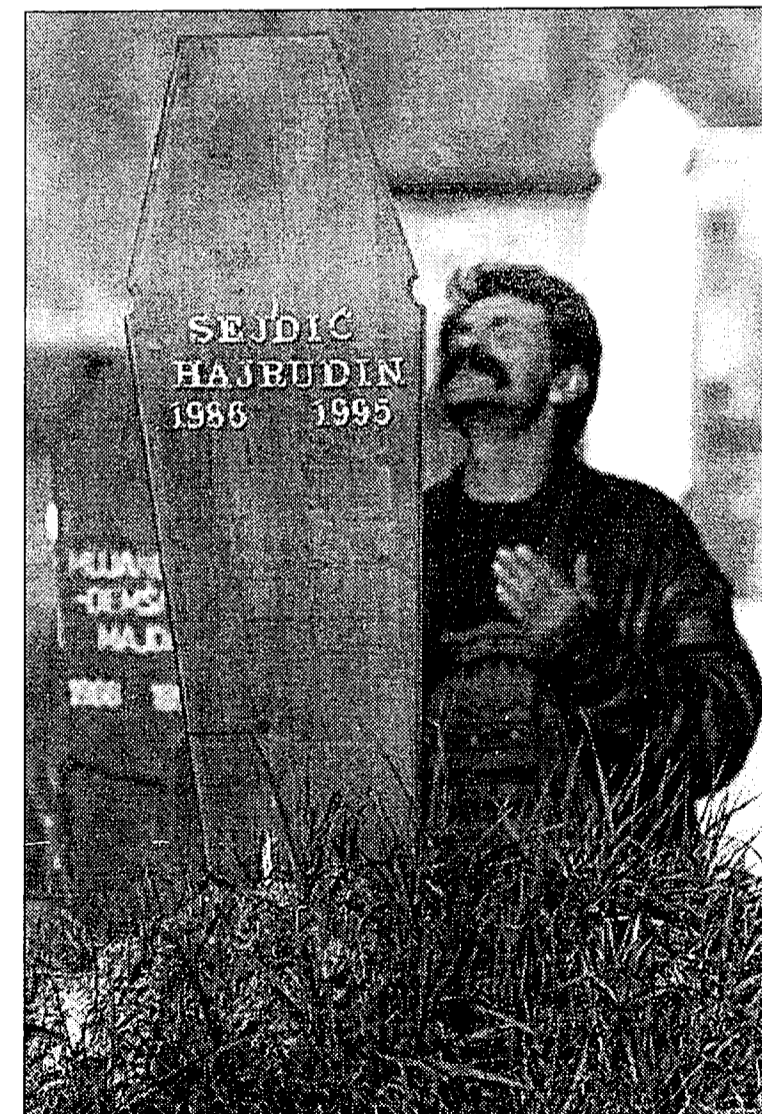
The government says cuts are necessary because revenue targets

were hugely exaggerated. Low tax collection and poor revenue has forced the government to underfund many programs.

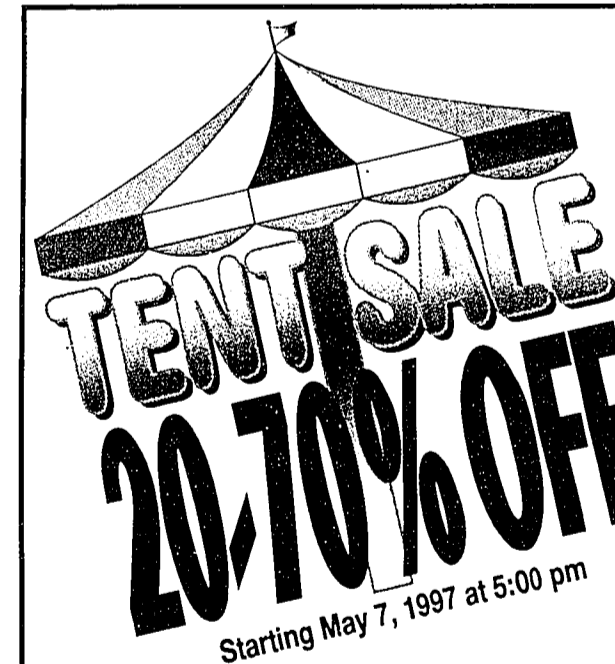
The government wants to make budgets more realistic by estimating actual revenues and keeping spending in line.

Legislators in the Communist-dominated Duma or lower chamber have warned they won't allow a wholesale revision of the budget.

Millions of state workers and pensioners have not paid for months.

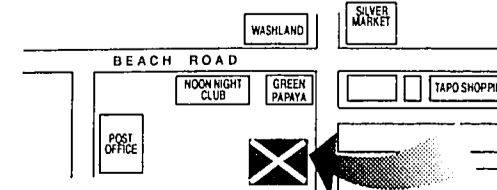


Jusuf Sejdic, 41, prays at the grave of his son, Hajrudin, at Sarajevo's Stadium Cemetery. Hajrudin was accidentally killed in September, 1995, by an Egyptian Army truck flying a U.N. flag, as he waited in line for water. AP



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PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

ADOPTION CASE NO. 97-24

In the Matter of the Adoption of Arliss Ordonio Sammis, Eduardo Ordonio Sammis, and Ronald Ordonio Sammis, All minor children.

Please take note that the above stated matter shall come on for hearing on the 22nd day of May, 1997, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commonwealth Superior Court on the Petition of George Logan Sammis and Hilda Dizon Sammis, on their petition to adopt Arliss Ordonio Sammis, Eduardo Ordonio Sammis, and Ronald Ordonio Sammis. Those wishing to be heard on this matter, please contact Stephen J. Nutting, at the law offices of White, Pierce, Malmann & Nutting, or appear at the Commonwealth Superior Court at the above-stated date and time.

Dated this 18th day of April, 1997.

/s/ STEPHEN J. NUTTING
Attorney for Petitioners

PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

In the Matter of the Adoption of ANTHONY KLIENT TADEO SARDOMA, Minor Child.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-25

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP AND ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FELIX ELAMETO AND ELENITA PIAMONTE ELAMETO have filed with the Clerk of this Court a Petition for Termination of Parent-Child Relationship and Adoption of ANTHONY KLIENT TADEO SARDOMA, a minor child. The hearing on the Petition is set for 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, the 29th day of May, 1997, at the Commonwealth Superior Court, Susupe, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1997.

/s/ DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

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NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION, fka MARIANA ISLANDS HOUSING AUTHORITY, Plaintiff,

vs. JOAQUIN K. RUBEN and FELICIANA L. RUBEN Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-1101

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to an Order issued by the Court in this matter on April 25, 1997, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the terms and conditions set forth hereinbelow, all of the right, title, and interest of defendants in and to the following property situated in Kobleville, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, more particularly described as Lot 005 1 536, containing an area of 936 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plan No. 208482, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as Document No. 14232 on May 14, 1982, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.

Date, Time, and Place of Sale. The sale will be held on Friday, June 13, 1997, at the hour of 1:00 p.m., at the law offices of White, Pierce, Malmann & Nutting, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The sale will be open to the general public.

Inspection of Property. The property described above is presently located at Kobleville, Saipan. It is the bidder's responsibility to inspect the property. Failure to inspect the property or any portion thereof will not constitute ground for any claim, adjustment, or rescission by any buyer.

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Conduct of Sale.

a. **Reserve.** The auction sale may be held with reserve. The reserve price on any property offered for sale may or may not be disclosed to bidders, in sole discretion of the undersigned.

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Employment Wanted

Job Vacancy Announcement

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02 COOK-Salary: \$3.05-5.50 per hour
01 MAINTENANCE WORKER, CARPENTER-Salary: \$3.05-4.25 per hour
02 ACCOUNTANT-Salary: \$3.05-6.25 per hour
Contact: SUWASO CORPORATION dba Coral Ocean Point Resort Club Tel. 234-7000(5/7)W65479

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02 PAINTER-Salary: \$2.90-3.30 per hour
Contact: YCO CORPORATION dba YCO Servistar Hardware/Liberty Plaza/Liberty Sportshope Tel. 235-6604(5/7)W65483

01 MARINE ENGINE MECHANIC-Salary: \$634.40 per month
Contact: TUGS AND PILOTS, INC. Tel. 322-7788(5/7)W65484

01 SALES REPRESENTATIVE-Salary: \$3.05 per hour
01 CASHIER-Salary: \$3.05-3.80 per hour
01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salary: \$3.05 per hour
Contact: MODERN OFFICE FURNITURE & SUPPLIES, INC. (5/7)W65527

01 ELECTRICIAN-Salary: \$2.90 per hour
02 CARPENTER-Salary: \$2.90 per hour
Contact: ANTONIO M. CAMACHO dba Nang O'Cha Enterprises Tel. 235-0927(5/7)W228956

01 ESTIMATOR-Salary: \$3.05-5.00 per hour
02 AUTO MECHANIC-Salary: \$3.05-5.00 per hour
02 AUTO BODY FENDER-Salary: \$3.05-5.00 per hour
01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary: \$3.05-6.00 per hour
Contact: B & R CORPORATION dba Beach Road Auto Repair Shop Tel. 234-7184(5/7)W228958

01 WAITER-Salary: \$3.05 per hour
Contact: AUSIA INT'L. (SPN) INC. Tel. 235-0971(5/21)W229143

03 SCUBA DIVING INSTRUCTOR-Salary: \$1,000.00

SPORTS



Saipan swimmers dominate Guam 'A' Championships Meet

SSC bets set 21 records

By Erel A. Cabatbat
Variety News Staff

1996 Female Athlete of the Year Xenavee Pangelinan broke four age group records and two senior league marks of the Guam Swim League while Jessica Jordan erased three GSL marks and four Saipan standards as Saipan Swim Club dominated the recently concluded A Championships Swim Meet held in Manhoben Swim Club in Guam.

David Palacios also broke one GSL mark and one Saipan record while 1996 Female Student Athlete of the Year Tamiko Winkfield established a new Saipan record in the 800 meter freestyle as SSC bets established a total of 10 GSL and 11 Saipan records in the Guam swim event.

Pangelinan, a 14-year student of Saipan Community School, set new Guam/Saipan records while bagging first place finishes in the 100M backstroke, 200M butterfly, 200M backstroke, and 400M individual medley (IM). She also set a new Guam record after finishing second in the 200M IM.

Pangelinan clocked 1:14:36 in the 100M backstroke; 2:41:85 in the 200M butterfly; 2:38:02 in the 200M



Record breakers—Members of the Saipan Swim Club pose with their trophies after dominating the recently concluded Guam 'A' Championships. With them is SSA coach Jean Sakovich (extreme right). Photo courtesy of Margaret Palacios

backstroke and 5:32:73 in the 400M individual medley.

The multi-awarded swimmer submitted a time of 2:37:91 in the 200M IM to finish second.

Pangelinan also finished first in the

100M, 200M and 800M freestyle events while finishing third in the 50M freestyle.

Jordan, who also competed in the senior division, stamped her class in the 100M breaststroke swimming her

way to first in a new Guam record of 1:27:19.

The 17 year-old swimmer also set new Guam/Saipan and Saipan standards while finishing second in both the 400M IM and 200M backstroke

with clockings of 5:38:87 and 2:38:29.

Jordan also checked in first in the 50M freestyle, 200M IM and 200 M breaststroke while finishing fourth in the 200M freestyle.

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Rocball champs—Macaroni, a team composed of faculty members of the Marianas High School, beat Brotherhood 3-1 in the best five title series to win the 14th Organized World Rocball Tournament at MHS' Puga Court. The team is made of (standing, left to right) Fa'aea Talalemotu, Stephan Mucher, Tyce Mister, Cliff White. MVP Brian Karasek, (seated, L-R) Christie Mucher, Brenda Haddox and Kirk Moore. Photo courtesy of Jim Feger

14th Annual Tourism Charity Fun Run

Smith, Burr assert class

By Erel A. Cabatbat
Variety News Staff

STUART Smith clocked 18 minutes and 42 seconds while Susan Burr submitted a time of 21 minutes and 19 seconds to win the overall titles in the Men's and Women's Divisions of the recently concluded 14th Annual Tourism Charity Fun

Run held over the weekend at the Marianas Resort Hotel.

Smith covered the five kilometer 36 seconds faster than runner-up Eric Gilman and one minute 53 seconds ahead of Diosado Garcia.

Burr, on the other hand, checked in three minutes and 36 seconds sooner than Assistant Attorney General

Nicole Forreli.

Amalia Balcita arrived one second slower behind Forreli for third place.

For his first place efforts, Smith won several valuable prizes that included a dinner for two in Saipan Sunset Cruise, \$100 gift certificate

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1997 Palau / Marpac Men's Slowpitch League

Bombers halt Senyevins, 11-9

PALAU LEAGUE 1997 TEAM STANDINGS

Division A	Win	Loss	Division B	Win	Loss
Warriors	9	2	Senyevins	9	2
Turtles	9	2	Pepsi Spec	9	2
Red Torch	8	3	I Luv You Man	8	3
Ambassadors	8	3	Bombers	8	3
Koror Tigers	6	5	Tres Rai	7	4
Tarzans	5	6	YCO Servistar	7	4
MGD Kabekel	4	7	Odesangel	4	7
Budget Angaur	4	7	Sedi Kau	4	7
OK&A's	3	8	Stingray	4	7
UMDA G. Force	4	7	Kepelol	3	8
Cool Running	3	8	COP 47 Tamers	2	9
Hustlers	3	8	Aschooschoo	1	10

By Patrick Tellei
for the Variety

Hustlers 11, Tarzans 10

Hustlers rallied for 3 runs to take the lead in the 7th inning and held Tarzans to one run in their half of the inning to preserve an 11 to 10 victory. Jester Garcia was 3 for 4 and scored 3 times and Al Lizama was 3 for 4 with a triple and scored a run to lead the Hustlers offense.

Fred Kaipat doubled and hit a 2-run inside-the-park homer to lead Tarzans.

Pepsi Spec 18, Tres Rai 15

With the win and Senyevins's 2nd loss means that there is a tied for first place in "B" Division at the end of the first round. Pepsi Spec behind a strong and balanced offense defeated Tres Rai by a score of 18 to 15. Bradly Ngewaki was 3

for 5 with a run, Winsor Peter was 3 for 4 with 2 runs, Darwin Mistahit a 3-run homer and drove-in 5 rbis. Jery Ayuyu was 3 for 4 with 3 runs, Louis Ngirakelau homered and Poland Yamada hit a 3-run homer to lead Spec offense. Joe Palacios was perfect 4 for 4 with a homer and scored 3 times and Abel Celis was 2 for 3 with a walk and scored 3 times to lead Tres Rai's offense.

Ambassadors 16, Odesangel 12

Kepelol had Odesangel numbers as they scored six times in the first inning to take the lead and never looked back enroute to a 18 to 12 slugfest win over Odesangel. Bernard was 3 for 4 with a triple and a 4-run inside-the-park homer and scored 3 times, Nixon Saimon

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