

## Rules on open gov't issued

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio has issued a set of guidelines for government agencies to follow regarding the implementation of Public Law 8-41, the Open Government Law.

In a directive he sent all department and activity heads February 10, Governor Tenorio stressed the administration's firm commitment in support of transparency in government as he exhorted all government employees to be aware of such a law.

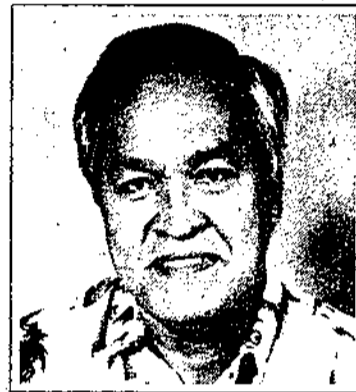
A news release that followed the directive also had Tenorio instruct-

ing the public information office to come up with a checklist of requirements aimed at clearing up doubts on the extent the law should be followed by government.

"I have been a strong supporter of open government and I believe the Act goes a long way in finally making our government accountable to the people of the Commonwealth," said Tenorio.

Under Public Law 8-41, all "public agencies" - departments, autonomous agencies, commissions, boards, committees, educational institutions, or other Common-

wealth agencies created by or pursuant to statute or constitution - are



Froilan C. Tenorio

required to conduct meetings that are open to the public. However, the judiciary was exempted from coverage under the new law.

"I expect you to follow the spirit and letter of this new law," he said in his directive the 13th he issued since assuming the governorship last January 10.

Tenorio wanted a set of guidelines due to widespread concern within the Commonwealth government about how to meet the new requirements imposed by the law.

Because there will be questions

on the many requirements of the new law, a brief summary has been provided to all agencies and departments.

"Please know your legal responsibilities under the law," said the governor.

"I expect every employee of the CNMI government to be aware at all times that members of the public have a right to know the business of their government. This requires that every citizen have access to the documents, records and meetings needed for this purpose."

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### Panel sought to root out gov't redundancy

By Rafael H. Arroyo

REPRESENTATIVE Benjamin A. Sablan is proposing the creation of a task force which will be asked to come up with recommendations on how to reduce duplication of services and function between government agencies and entities.

In an interview Friday, Sablan said he is readying a yet unnumbered bill for introduction before the House of Representatives which will seek to remove redundancy in public office.

"A condition exists among several autonomous agencies where offices and subdivisions of one agency from time to time duplicate or infringe on the mandate of another agency," said Sablan in his bill.

"This has led to an unnecessary redundancy that only increases the size of government while producing negligible benefit," the freshman congressman added.

According to Sablan, there have been times when the interest of one agency is pitted against the other, so that the dignity and esteem of the CNMI government, its offices and leaders are "debased in the public eye," resulting in a justifiable loss of trust.

"The sadder truth is that it is often the infringing agency which has managed its assets in a more competent and professional manner," the lawmaker from Puerto Rico said.

The purpose of Sablan's bill is to provide a mechanism for agencies, organizations and associations of the CNMI government to divest themselves of those areas of involvement that are not directly or narrowly associated with the agency's mandate.

Another goal of the act is for the task force to develop recommendations to encourage and strengthen strict enforcement and accountability in the performance of an organization's mandate.

"In light of this, the Legislature finds it appropriate at this time to establish a task force to investigate the extent of current inter-agency duplication of efforts," said Sablan.

Also, such a group will determine which duplications are un-

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Benjamin A. Sablan



Japanese tourist gather at Micro Beach where fellow countrymen love the sports windsurfing.

### Samsung eyes to complete "SHIP" before 1995 target

SAMSUNG Construction Co., the contractor for the \$36 million Saipan Harbor Improvement Project, had already completed some major accomplishments and expressed optimism it could finish the project before the Dec. 1995 deadline.

Hong Bae Kim, Manager of Samsung Saipan Harbor Improvement, told Marianas Variety that operations have been going on smoothly. He said they had already accomplished 25 percent of the project.

Aware of the importance of the seaport improvement to the CNMI economy, Kim said hopefully they could shorten the construction period while he assured to maintain high standard of their job.

"We try to shorten the work with best quality in every aspect to the full satisfaction of the Commonwealth Ports Authority and the CNMI people," Kim said.

With regards to several laws in

the Commonwealth to comply with governmental protection, Kim said they are doing their best to follow it. He appealed the new administration and other government agencies to continue their support to Samsung and CPA to carry out the smooth flow of the operations.

He said they had recently built a welding shop in the filled areas of Charlie Bay for fabrication of sheet piles. And now they start driving the piles at Baker Dock.

As this developed, other crews however, are continuously filling the Charlie Bay and dredging the channel which must be 35 feet deep and 400 feet in width.

Before, only on ship could enter the seaport but once the Charlie Bay will be completely filled to connect the Charlie Dock and Baker Dock, the Saipan Harbor will be able to berth three to four, 400 foot long ships at one time.

All incoming and outgoing ves-

sels will pass through the channel before leaving or docking at the Harbor.

Kim said the only minimal problem they are now encountering, is that the silt curtain cannot completely stop the silt because of the strong current. The silt curtain is utilized for the purpose of controlling or holding the sediments resulting from the dredging of the channel.

What they are doing instead is the continuous fixing of the curtain whenever current destroys in order to maintain the hold of the sediments.

There are concerns that the curtain is ineffective because it could not stop the sediments due to the strong currents and therefore the corals could be affected. The flowing of sediments takes two to three hours.

However, Kim said Samsung, the continued on page 12

# Clinton says Serbs appear to be complying

By JIM ABRAMS

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton said Monday that Bosnian Serbs appear to be complying with NATO's demand for the withdrawal of heavy weapons surrounding Sarajevo.

Clinton also said during a White House photo session there was no reason to believe there is any difference between the United Nations and NATO on whether to use force if the Serbs refuse to withdraw their weapons.

"Keep in mind, the (U.N.) secretary general asked NATO to

take the action it took" on threatening air strikes, Clinton said. "We made it clear we did not want to take that action unless we could follow through on it. ... He agreed to that. So I have no reason to believe there's any difference of opinion."

Clinton said, "The larger issue is whether we can lead toward a reasonable peace agreement quickly after establishing a safe zone around Sarajevo. We're just going to have to see. There's a few more days left before the time runs out."

The Serbs have moved 28 heavy

weapons to observation points, a negligible portion of the 500 big guns they are thought to have surrounding Sarajevo.

Madeleine Albright, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said Sunday there was "no way" NATO will retract its threat to use air power against entrenched Serbian gun positions if they are not removed in a week.

"All the forces are coming together to make sure that that particular ultimatum stays in place," she said over television.

NATO, with U.N. backing, last week gave the Serbs 10 days to

abide by a cease-fire and pull their heavy weapons outside a 20-kilometer (12-mile) zone around the Bosnian capital.

Defense Secretary William J. Perry said Sunday he had "every hope that the air strikes will reduce the violence" that has left 10,000 dead in Sarajevo and 200,000 killed in Bosnia in two years of fighting. "I also think it will give some acceleration to the peace process."

U.S. Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, a critic of the administration's cautious approach toward using U.S. air power in Bosnia, said he hoped "this may be the last threat of the threats."

"It seems to me we've reached that point where if we have any credibility left, which isn't a great deal, it would all be gone if we didn't follow through," said Dole, also over television.

Albright, speaking earlier about Dole's criticisms, said President Clinton has been in the forefront of Western efforts to end the bloodshed in Bosnia.

Perry said air strikes will "illustrate firmness and resolve and solidarity in NATO."

Perry also said the Pentagon is also studying the possibility of increasing the intensity of the air strikes or extending the strikes to areas outside Sarajevo if the Serbs refuse to comply with the with-

drawal and cease-fire.

He said the options do not include use of American ground forces, although Albright said the administration stands by its commitment to supply up to 25,000 Americans to a peacekeeping force if the warring factions agree to end the fighting.

Perry noted that NATO, with 160 planes now providing air cover over Bosnia, could pick up the coordinates of an artillery firing within seconds, and have a plane attack the weaponry within minutes.

Sen. John McCain spoke against U.S. air strikes on Serb targets, meanwhile, suggesting they would lead to commitment of U.S. ground forces if the limited bombing failed to have the desired effect.

Sen. Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said on the same TV program that the United States and its allies must be "psychologically prepared" to widen the bombing if the Serbs "retaliates against the peacekeepers, the U.N. forces or the humanitarian workers" for limited air strikes on their big guns.

"If you aren't prepared to go further ... and you're not willing to go after more lucrative targets wherever you find them ... then you're really not prepared to take the first step," Nunn said.

# Philippines says it did not violate one-China policy

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Foreign Secretary Roberto Romulo said Monday the Philippines did not violate the "one-China" policy when President Fidel Ramos met Taiwanese President Lee Teng-hui last week.

"The Philippines is only after the establishment of trade and economic relations with Taiwan, which is not prohibited under the policy," Romulo said.

Romulo spoke with reporters after his office received a copy of the formal protest letter received by the Philippine embassy in Beijing Saturday.

He said he has instructed the

Philippine envoy to Beijing, Felipe Mabilangan, to convey Manila's position.

The protest note said "it is to the utmost regret of the Chinese side" that Manila made arrangements for Lee's trip despite Beijing's "solemn demand" against it.

A delegation from the National People's Congress of China cancelled a scheduled goodwill visit after the incident.

Ramos was the highest Philippine official to meet a Taiwanese president since diplomatic relations were established between Manila and Beijing in 1975.

Beijing considers Taiwan as a

Chinese province. Manila severed diplomatic relations with Taipei after it established ties with Beijing.

Ramos said he discussed economic cooperation with Lee during their meeting last Tuesday at the former U.S. Subic Bay naval base northwest of Manila.

Lee made a brief stop over in Subic on his way to Bali, Indonesia in a trip billed as a "vacation" by Taipei.

Beijing said such "holiday trips" were attempts by Taiwan to "develop substantive relations" with the Philippines to create two Chi-

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# Car crackdown succeeding, says official

THE ADMINISTRATION'S drive against misuse of government vehicles has so far produced good results, Special Assistant for Administration Mitch Pangelinan yesterday said.

In an interview with Capitol Hill office, Pangelinan said the governor's directive against abuse of government vehicles is beginning to reach the intended goals of preventing wasteful and unnecessary costs.

"I think we are succeeding in putting a handle on the use of these vehicles. We now see everyone coming to work and going home in their own private cars," said Pangelinan.

He said government cars could now be found being used appropri-

ately or otherwise parked after office hours in the parking lots of the different agencies they are issued to.

Earlier this month, then acting Governor Jesus C. Borja issued a directive to all departments and governmental offices in the CNMI ordering a crackdown on government vehicle abuse.

He pointed out that two major provisions in the law call for government vehicles to not be driven after duty hours without permission and allow only government employees to drive them.

With the exception of unmarked cars and vehicles driven by elected officials, all government vehicles must be clearly marked on both front doors.

Based on the statutes, the Acting Governor directed a new policy requiring that all executive branch vehicles be parked at the employee's workplace, unless a department head authorizes in writing. Any use of the vehicles for personal errands, whether on or off the clock, is prohibited.

All government cars will be required to have "government" plates within 60 days.

Starting February 7th, the DPS was authorized to stop and check any government vehicle on the road after normal working hours, according to the Acting Governor. Drivers will have to show they have permission to be driving. Officers are also to check for proper vehicle markings and to make sure

that windows are not tinted. "I think we are definitely cutting down on unnecessary costs. We



Mitch Pangelinan

are also glad about the numerous calls we have been getting from concerned citizens reporting instances of probable misuse," said the administration official during yesterday's interview.

According to Pangelinan, the government's fleet of leased vehicles have been reduced to just 29, 18 of which are Isuzu Troopers being used by DPS for their patrol cars.

According to a checklist prepared by Pangelinan, only a total of seven agencies are issued government leased cars, namely DPS, Commonwealth Utilities Corp., Department of Finance, Mariana Islands Housing Authority, Public School System, the Public Auditor's Office, and the Administration.

# Closure of Department of Public Safety jail sought

By Rafael I. Santos

CHIEF Public Defender Dan DeRienzo yesterday asked the Superior Court to order the closure of the CNMI detention facility for pre-trial prisoners, saying the condition of the jail is "deplorable."

DeRienzo wanted the court to suspend the operation of the facility until substantial improvements are made by the Department of Public Safety.

The demand for the closure of the jail was part of DeRienzo's motion that also sought the release of a pre-trial inmate.

DeRienzo asked the court to order the immediate release from custody of Francisco P. Sablan who has been charged with assault.

He said Sablan must be freed or in the alternative that the jail be closed because of alleged violation of due process, cruel and unusual punishment and equal protection.

DeRienzo complained that the detention center is a constitutionally inadequate facility and is even

worse than the Division of Correction facility.

In fact, he said, convicts are sometimes sent to the detention center as a form of punishment.

"The detention facility is presently being used to hold those awaiting trial. Sadly, those who wait for the process of law to have their innocence or guilt adjudged are being treated worse than those who have been tried and convicted," DeRienzo said in his 6-page motion.

The motion, which was accompanied by affidavits of support from a former inmate and a security guard at the jail, was filed with the lower court at 3:57 yesterday.

In 1991, the U.S. Marshall Service inspected the facility. The results of the inspection are alarming, DeRienzo said.

"(The) facility failed six out of seven requirements for sanitation and hygiene," he said.

The report of the U.S. Marshall Service indicated that inmates are not provided with clean clothing,

bedding and linen. It was also noted in the report that the facility has no sanitary waste disposal program, no control of pests and vermin and there are insufficient sanitation inspections.

According to the lawyer, the detention facility is both a safety and a health hazard. The cells, which are too small, are a fire hazard and there is insufficient light and air circulation. He added that there are no enough emergency exits and there are insufficient smoke or fire alarms inside the facility.

The other complaints brought out by DeRienzo include the following:

\* Detainees are not allowed any visitation unlike convicts.

\* Convicts are given personal hygiene items such as towels and toothbrushes but detainees are not given anything;

\* Detainees are not given a mattress, pillow or bedding, based on the affidavit of Pius Yaromitel, a jail security guard;

\* Detainees are forced to sleep on

a cement slab;

\* Jail staff are not trained in CPR or EMT;

\* Personnel working in the facility do not have the ability to properly diagnose, treat and care for detainees with substance abuse or mental retardation problem;

\* Too often, more than one person is placed in a cell, forcing one or more detainees to sleep on the floor;

\* Convicts have an exercise room and basketball court, but detainees do not see the light of day and get no form of exercise; and

\* There is no hot water, the shower room is filthy and detainees are being sprayed with mace.

DeRienzo's motion came a day after the Superior Court heard the concerns of both the government and the Public Defender's Office regarding the status of Sablan.

Sablan, who is said to be mentally unstable, has been arrested several times during the past week on assault charges.

According to DeRienzo, the man

has been seeing a doctor for mental problems since 1964.

The Attorney General's Office and from the Public Defender's Office have repeatedly asked the Division of Correction to bring Sablan to the Commonwealth Health Center for treatment, but DOC personnel reportedly refused citing lack of court order.

CHC did not also want to admit the man due to unavailability of hospital bed.



Dan DeRienzo

# Override of governor's 1st veto sought

By Rafael H. Arroyo

## Cing wants bill on deportee ban enacted

A MOVE to override the gubernatorial veto on a bill seeking to impose a lifetime ban on any alien deportee is taking shape at the Ninth CNMI Senate, this was learned the other day.

Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian) is currently in the process of enlisting support for his proposal to overturn the bill's disapproval to the need to put more teeth in the Commonwealth's immigration laws.

"This matter is of great urgency," said Cing in a letter to Senate President Jesus R. Sablan Monday.

He said an override is warranted to send a message that the CNMI is serious about getting the immigration situation under control.

"By enacting the measure, we put both Washington D.C. and our alien population that we mean business and we do not tolerate any wrongdoing," said Cing in an interview Monday.

He added that the governor's veto might send a wrong signal to prospective violators of Immigration laws that such violations are not met with stiff sanctions.

The Tinian lawmaker also said that by maintaining the current five year reentry ban, some may not mind getting deported since they could always come back in five years.

House Bill 8-132 which seeks to amend existing statutes to do away with the five year waiting period by imposing a permanent ban on the reentry of deported aliens into the Commonwealth.

The bill was vetoed February 4 by then acting Governor Jesus C. Borja who felt the lifetime penalty imposed on deported persons is too severe, especially when some aliens can be deported for relatively minor infractions.

Borja said that although the CNMI might have serious prob-

lems with illegal aliens and other violations of immigration laws, the bill does not effectively address those problems.

But according to Cing, a gubernatorial veto on the measure might be contrary to earlier concerns raised by the administration with regards to effectively discharging and administering local control over immigration.



David M. Cing

"As I stated on the Senate floor during our last session, it is simply ludicrous to simply send people away for five years and then allow them back again," said Cing.

In opposing the status quo, he added that there are other jurisdictions in Asia and elsewhere which imposes stricter sanctions on violators of their immigration laws.

"The governor states that he believes that to eliminate the five year period amounts to deportation for life. He believes this is too harsh because deportations are often based on minor offense. While this may be true, the governor's solution seems misplaced. If deportations are being enforced based on minor offenses, then perhaps that law should be amended," said the Tinian senator.

He, however, noted that he sees nothing in the present immigration law prevents a person facing deportation for a minor offense from

obtaining the normal administrative and judicial review remedies if they believe they are being treated unfairly or unjustly.

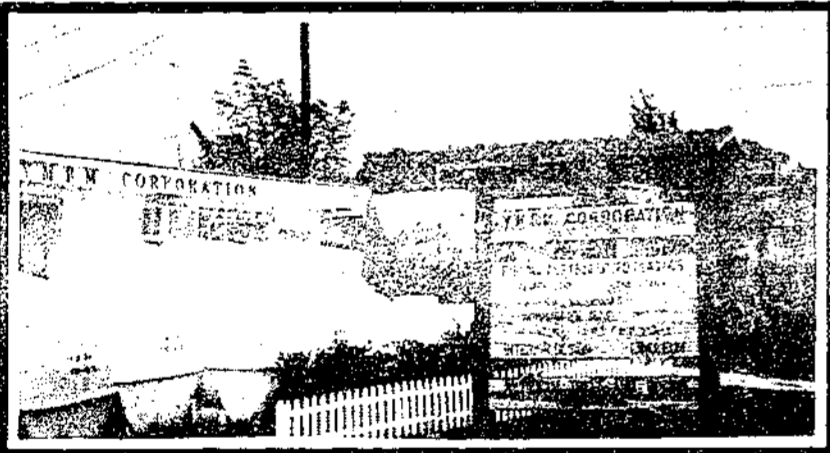
"Putting a five year waiting period simply appears unjustified and weak," said Cing as he proposed an override to the Senate president.

Under the Constitution, the Legislature can override the governor's veto of a bill within 60 days after the veto message is received by the bill's house of origin.

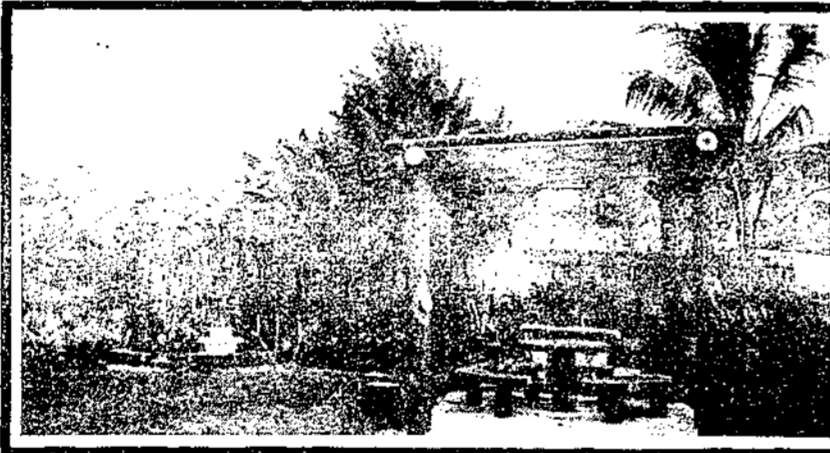
Section 7(c), Article II of the Constitution provides that any bill, section or part of a bill vetoed by the governor may be reconsidered by the Legislature. After a two-thirds vote from each house upon reconsideration to override the veto, the bill becomes law.

Under Legislative Initiative 7-1 recently ratified in the last general elections, the Legislature has 60 days to override the veto which means that if both houses want an override, they should act by first week of April 1994.

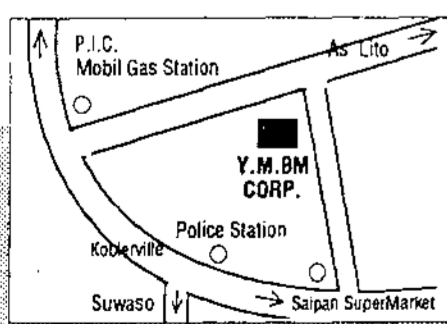
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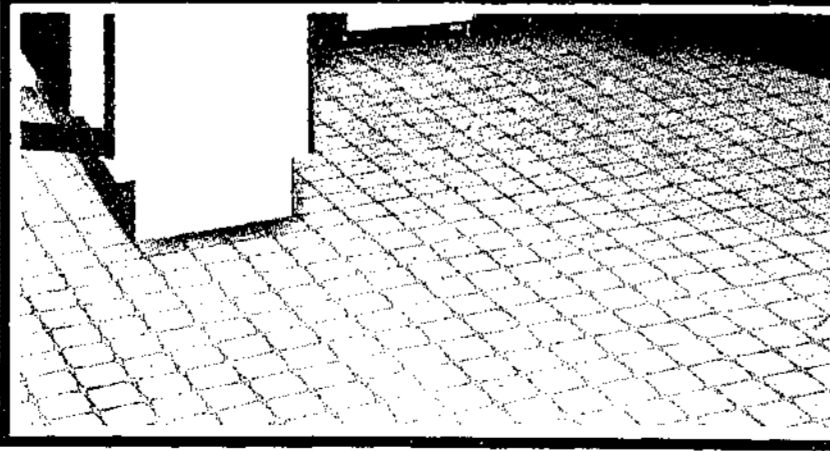
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Mon hayon ta huñog un notisia ginen Washington na para hu taya' esta ayudon salape ginen ligo desde uttimon 1997. Este na mensahe tinilaika i litrato pot propositon hatsadan sueddo ya humalom mas impottante na kuestion: **Kao presiso osino nesesario na uma hatsa i sueddo pago hulo gi \$4.25 gi ora?** Mauleg ta sensura i otro bandan este na debate pot para ta komprende hafa sustansiaña i ma dimamanda pago na asunto siha ginen anos kuantos membron Congresson Estados Unidos.

Yangin ta atan i bandan bisnis guine siha na islas, 90 pot sientio inyon taotao hioyng ya anos kuantos gaige gi kanai taotao tano. Umanog na lamayot patte gi ganansia nu i hafatinas gi kada sakan siempre umana' hanao tatte giya Japon, Taiwan, South Korea, America, yan otro siha 'nai gaige i tronkon kompania. Kumeke ilegña na megai na ganansia nu i mafatinas guine humuhuyoyng ginen i ekonomian tanota.

Gi hilo este, 95 pot sientio gi nina' halom kontribusion tax hita mismo muna' nanao tatte gi este siha na kompania. Sen hasan osino taya' 'nai man manae' kampo ni un kompania nu este na bintaha gi otro siha na tano Dispues hita man responsable gi para tana' nahuñge fasilidad hanom, kandet, chalan, yan otro siha na fasilidad ginen salape kontribusion tax giner ligo nu i inapruuban Congresson America.

Yangin tana' dafia este yan hafa ta nananalo tatte ginen tax Marianas, doble na ayudo tananae' este siha na bisnis. **Estague' ti opinionho muna' fan esalao anos kuantos membron Congresson Estados Unidos idoble na ayudo tananae' i bisnis ginen hioyng ya taya' patipasionta fuerake guaha gi entre hita manma emplea.**

Hafa mohon mauleg ta petsige pot para tana' dinanche este na manchogue? Et mas propio buente na kuestion mauleg ta faisen i Congresson America kao man magof siha munae hit ayudon salape ya ta fahan todos este siha na bisnis kosake siña i taotao tano ufan prefecto dueño sientio pot sientio? Yangin man malago siha na uta fan maayuda gumuot tatte ganansian bisnis guine amano siña, estague' un chalan hulie kabales propio na siha ufa' lai ensegidas. Ya yaho lumie' kao hana' siña.

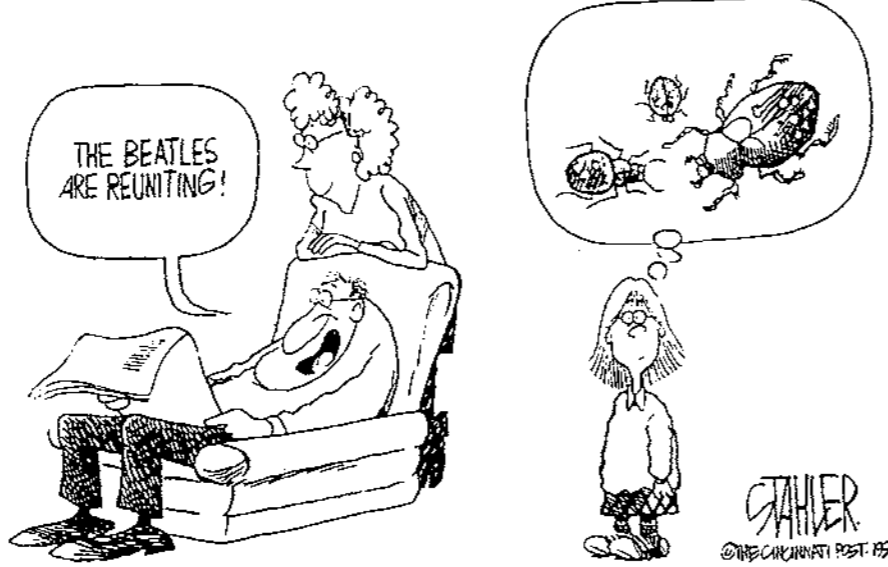
I umestotoiba konsensiaho gi lattilo' na eskalera i sumen taya' respeton niha este siha na Congresson America i dumimamanda na tachogue este yan ayo pare ke siha kao uma fondo i gobietnamenton iya Marianas. **Kumeke ilegno afañelos na i argumento gi pot \$4.25 gi ora taigue gi kantida nu i ma propoposito. Gaige gi timan mafa' tataotao hit sa' sige ha' de man entalo gi ti entalo niha.** Entalo' ta este na asunto gi papa' payon i mafananaan "self-government"—i para ta gobietnan maisa hit. Dispues gaige este gi papa' i kontratan i Covenant nu i siha mismo umapruaba. Ya gi kada man entalo, hasañgane hit gi kadada' na manera na tai bali i leyislaturan Marianas. Ti koñfotmeyo' nu este na disatenteria.

Dispues, yangin enfin man salton ennao siha na Congresson America gi hineñgen niha pot direchon taotao osino ayo i mafananaan "Human Rights", debi ufan listo manmama' lai para tafan ma representanta kabales (dos na senadot yan uno na representante) gi kuetpon Congresson America sin hafa na ditension pot para tafan par'ho manchoge gi et mismo pisu. Yangin siha lokue man fitme gi hineñgen niha pot pareho na direcho gi kada taotao, kao manman introduce lai pot para uma prebeniyé fondu ayo na disision US Supreme Court na hungan guaha diskriminasion gi dos klasen sistemán sueddo gi tiempion i gobietnon Trust Territory?

Gi alacha lokue', ma aprueba nu i Congresson America ayo i mafananaan "North American Free Trade Agreement"—kontrata pot ma produse yan bendin producto gi entalo iya Mexico, America yan iya Canada. I propio na kuestion: Kao i Congresson America man na' halom probision na todos kompanian America nu i para ufan bisnis giya Mexico ufan ma afuetsas manman apase \$4.25 gi ora gi kada Mexicano nu i ma emplea? Kao sumaonao ayo siha na asunto i ma dimamanda pago gi gobietnamenton iya Marianas? Ni un poñgpuñg guaha nu este na ginagao ya manana ha' sa' mauleg na beneficio yan ganansia para todos kompanian Amerikanano.

Pot uttimo, i asunto ni hulilie' komo hechuran un didog na insuto gaige afañelos i unro yan dignon taotao iya Marianas. Hita fumafana' i asunto ya sige ha' anos kuantos na man tai respeto pot direchota gumubietnan maisa hit (membron Congresson America) de man aguagat na tafan kottisia mientras tasanagan i "mea culpa". Lao matto i ora 'nai hita debi tafana' gue i membron Congresson America na hita solamismo siña dumiside este siha na asunto. Hita ha mismo tumungo kabales hafa tafafana' ya lokue' man listo hit esta pumalopu i konsekuensan i disisionta. Yangin para tafan mamadesi, pues man listo hit fumana' i mamamaila ya man batbaro hit pumañot todos matriro sa' hita fumatinas i disision. Siña ha' hana' fan chatsaga hit pot unrato, lao man listo yan fitme hit pumetsige "hafa mauleg para hita" pot para ta sustene i onru yan dignon Chamorro yan Carolinas guine siha na islas.

Para i membron leyislatura, señores yan señoras, i asunto ti pot \$4.25 gi ora solu ke matto i ora 'nai para in fan masensura kao siña in protehe i onru yan dignon taotao tano nu i mauudai gi hilo kontratan i Covenant pot asuntion self-government. Hamyo man mamatitinas lai, ayo mina' ti koñfotmeyo' na para sige ha' i membron Congresson America na ufan entalo gi asunto nu i hamyo para in dispone para i taotao. Si Yuus Maase.



## Letters to the Editor

### I know Ben...

Dear Editor,

I WAS mildly amused at the Marianas Variety front page article of Feb. 10 headline reading "Sablan denies 'racist' FIRING". I met Ben and his family in Corvallis Oregon seventeen years ago while we were attending college there. Ben introduced me to the community of Micronesia students living in Oregon at that time. I felt then as I feel now that Ben doesn't have a racist bone in his body. His genuine warmth, openness and interest in other cultures as well as his pride in his own Chamorro-Carolinian heritage, eventually led me to visit him here and work for the past ten years. Any one who knows Ben knows that he had helped (often literally with money out of his own

pocket). Many people in any way that he possibly could when he became aware of their problems. I personally know that he has given aid and assistance to Filipinos, Koreans, Chinese and stateside Americans living here. Needless to say, he is also respected for the work he has done among the Micronesians and Chamorro-Carolinian communities of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota. Ben is an extremely intelligent man and is much more sensitive to and cognizant of racial issues than most of the Americans I have met who live or have lived here in the CNMI. He is also a humble man and a loving father, who with his world class wife Mira has taught peace, love, discipline and tolerance to his beautiful family. Mr. Sablan manifests the finest aspects of the Chamorro values of

"INAFI MAOLEK" (Interdependence), cooperation and getting along with not just the local community but with members of his U.S. family of friends and workers as well. Most of the racism that I've witnessed and experienced here in the CNMI over the past ten years has come from American workers who make little or no attempt to understand the culture they live in and tend to isolate and alienate themselves from it thus subsequently regarding both the culture and it's people with disdain. Biba Chamorro kustumbre yan kuttura yan biba Benigno Magofna Sablan lokkue!

Sincerely,  
/s/ JOSEPH B. CONNOLLY

### Your style book...

Dear Editor:

AS A READER of your newspaper for all of the nearly 12 years I have lived in the Commonwealth, I believe that your "style-book" of usage badly needs an update. I refer to the constant use of the term "American," when you in fact are referring to "stateside Americans" who live on Saipan. Most recently this was in reference to "three American biologists" who were either "fired" or

"terminated without cause," depending on which part of the story you read. Your readers should understand that the term "American" applies equally to biologists and/or Benigno Sablan. I am sure you recall the tensions that developed in this community due to the shameful delays in the granting of U.S. citizenship under the Covenant prior to 1986. But what was agreed to was finally signed, sealed and delivered.

Chamolinian friend of ours has been saying since those days, "Hello my fellow American!" Let's put those long ago days behind us and give no satisfaction to those who want to exploit the issue of race. Americans come in all colors, including, in these parts, lots of brown.

Yours for better journalism,  
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# Court says softball player's right not violated

THE Superior Court has determined that the right of a softball player to equal protection was not violated by the Northern Mariana Island Amateur Softball Association.

In a recent decision, Presiding Judge Alex Castro ruled that exclusion from an association does not constitute a violation of the equal protection right guaranteed under both the CNMI and U.S. Constitutions.

Softball player Mariano Taitano sued the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs and NMIASA President Joseph Torres last year, complaining that his constitutional and associational rights were violated.

Taitano's action stemmed from the refusal of the NMIASA to accept him in the league because of his membership in a baseball association.

NMIASA used to allow him to participate in both associations, but later the rules of the organization were changed.

NMIASA barred baseball association members from participating in both associations, prompting Mariano to file a lawsuit.

The plaintiff in his complaint, claimed that adding a ground rule which barred him from joining the

NMIASA violated the association's By-laws.

On April 15, 1993, the defendants asked the court to dismiss the case, saying the plaintiff has failed to properly name the respondents.

Later Torres filed a separate motion for summary judgement for failure of the plaintiff to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

The court subsequently converted the motion to dismiss into a motion for summary judgment.

In his decision, Castro denied the motion to dismiss, saying DCCA as well as Sports and Recreation employee William

Sacovich were properly named in and served with the complaints.

Even if there were errors in the names of the defendants, the court was convinced that they have not been "prejudiced" by such mistakes.

On the other hand, the court ruled that the right to equal protection and the right to freedom of association do not apply in this particular case.

Castro said a decision of any association not to accept anyone is not a violation of such constitutional right.

The judge also dismissed claims that the by-laws of the association were violated when an additional rule was added. He indicated that any association can change its rules as long as it has the approval of its members and/or its officials.

## Three CPA employees back on the job

THE THREE employees of the Airport Advisory Services at the Commonwealth Ports Authority who were terminated for illegally walking off their jobs were reinstated last week at the recommendation of CPA Executive Director Roman T. Tudela.

In a press release, Tudela said the three employees however will be suspended for 30 days without pay commencing Feb. 1.

He said the three individuals have apologized for their behavior on Jan. 28 when they walked off their jobs to vent their anger at the promotion of one employee at the AAS Division.

"I believe that they are sincere and that they will behave in an exemplary fashion in the future," Tudela said in his Feb. 11 letter to Miss Rafaela O. Perry, Chairperson, Personnel Committee of the CPA Board of Directors.

"My decision also takes into consideration the fact that jobs are scarce in the public and private sectors," he said.

Tudela also suggested to the Personnel Committee to consider some method of awarding the other employees of the AAS who stayed on the job and performed other work when the employees walked off their jobs and other employees who failed to show up for work as scheduled.

# Tourist loses \$20,000 to thief in Garapan

By Ferdie de la Torre

A JAPANESE tourist reportedly lost \$20,000 cash and 500 Yen which he left inside his car in front of a club in Garapan on Monday, the Department of Public Safety said yesterday.

In a press briefing, Sgt. Ismael Aguon, Crime Stoppers Coordinator and DPS Public Educator, said it was reported Monday at 9:14 p.m. that unknown responsible took the money owned by Keiicha Ushida, 44, which he placed inside a black leather bag.

Ushida left the bag inside his car outside the Coco's Nite Club Monday at 1 a.m. When he came back, he discovered it was missing. But at 9 p.m. an employee of the establishment saw the bag minus the money, its items were also scattered all over the West portion of the club.

Aguon said the case has been placed under further investigation.

At Obyan Beach, three other Japanese tourists reported Monday at 5:38 p.m. that they lost \$1,261 and other items which they left inside their vehicle.

The tourists were identified as Sato Yoshiko, 26, Hiriko Tokumoto, 25 and Tomonobu Toyosumi, 46.

Meanwhile, Aguon reported to the DPS Monday at 11:11 a.m. that the donation box intended for the Crime Stoppers which he placed at Aqua Resort Club in Tanapag, was taken away.

Aguon said he put the box last June 1993 but when he supposed to pick it up Monday it was no longer there. Employees there told him that the last time they saw the box was last Oct. 1993.

In Kobleville, thieves broke

inside the Golden Dragon Garment Factory and took 15 fire extinguishers all worth \$775.25. The incident was reported Monday at 9:24 a.m.

In Garapan, thieves also entered the Happy Dragon Restaurant and took undetermined

worth of two air-conditioners. The restaurant's management complained at the DPS Monday at 3:14 p.m.

The DPS received only 22 complaints mostly cases of vehicular accidents, theft, and disturbing peace on Monday until yesterday.

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## Tinian Arts exhibit

THE COMMONWEALTH Council for Arts and Culture will be holding the "Tinian Arts Exhibit" at Kammer Beach Park, Tinian on February 19, 1994. The Exhibit will include displays of traditional and contemporary arts and crafts, food and games. Artists interested in attending the Exhibit or displaying artwork may contact the Arts Council at tel. 322-9982 or 9983

# US plans cellular telephone tariff reprisal

By TOM RAUM

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Clinton's administration decided Monday to authorize sanctions against Japan on cellular telephones, officials said, increasing pressure on Tokyo after the collapse of trade talks.

Clinton conceded trade war could erupt but warned Japan it stood to lose the most.

"It's just not acceptable for the United States to continue on the same path" after last week's breakdown in talks, Clinton said.

U.S. officials from the president on down issued Tokyo some of the strongest warnings yet, following up quickly on last Friday's failed trade talks at a summit between Clinton and Japanese President Morihiro Hosokawa.

"We haven't ruled anything out," Clinton declared.

Administration officials who spoke on the condition of anonymity said the United States would announce the beginning of trade-sanction proceedings on Tuesday against Japan on cellular phones.

The move could lead to prohibitively high tariffs on Japanese-made instruments and set the stage for sanctions in other areas as well.

Although the cell-phone case, stemming from complaints by Motorola Inc., had been in the works for some time, the administration found it fit conveniently into its efforts to ratchet up pressure on Tokyo.

Clinton called it a "classic example" of the difficulties U.S. companies face in penetrating Japanese markets.

In 1989, Japan agreed to give Motorola from one-third to one-half of its cellular phone business in the Tokyo area. But Motorola

officials contend Japan deliberately ignored the bargain, holding the company's percentage of business under 5 percent.

On Tuesday, the administration will declare that Japan violated the agreement, the first step in a process that could lead to stiff tariffs on Japanese-made cell phones, administration officials said.

And the Motorola decision won't be the end of the U.S. response, one senior official said.

Many options are under review, not all involving sanctions, said the officials.

These range from ordering a Justice Department study of anticompetitive practices of Japanese auto companies to giving closer scrutiny to tax records of Japanese companies. The United States is also considering bringing a broad complaint in Geneva against Japanese trade practices under the

General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, officials said.

The administration could also dust off a punitive trade law not used since the early days of the Bush administration, known as Super 301, that gives the president broad powers to retaliate against unfair trade practices of any nation.

Tokyo has always resented the measure, viewing it as being specifically written with Japan as its prime target.

Clinton could renew the dormant authority by executive order. But aides said this would be done only as a last resort, suggesting other, less inflammatory, approaches were being eyed first.

However, a congressional source, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, said that he expected the administration would announce later this week that it was renewing the Super 301 process by

executive order. The administration would draw up a list of "priority countries" for possible trade sanctions based on an annual review of unfair trade barriers that is issued by the government by March 30 each year.

Asked if sanctions like the Motorola action could be the start of a trade war, Clinton said: "It could be. But I think they would have to think long and hard about it."

He noted the extent of Japanese investment in the United States to suggest Japan's vulnerability.

Trade Representative Mickey Kantor, speaking to a group of U.S. and Japanese business leaders, said the United States would take trade actions against Japan "responsibly and carefully," suggesting a barrage of trade sanctions at this time was unlikely.

Still, Kantor said, "The status quo cannot be maintained."

Clinton promised "a decision within the next few days" on the overall U.S. response to the collapse of trade talks.

"There are a number of options open to us, including some that have not been widely discussed that may offer great promise," Clinton said without elaborating.

Japan had a \$120 billion trade surplus with the rest of the world last year, roughly half of it with the United States.

Clinton's own economic report issued on Monday suggested that, even if all Japanese barriers were removed, the \$60 billion U.S. trade deficit with Japan would be shaved by only \$9 billion to \$18 billion.

The president suggested those figures were a little misleading and that the trade gap would be narrowed much further once Japanese barriers were down and U.S. companies made an aggressive effort to do business there.

# At 77 Vicente is aiming at 1,000 "stars"

By Ferdie de la Torre

AT THE age of 77, Vicente Salas Sablan could not ask for more. He is stable and contented. He has 15 sons and daughters, five of them are staying in the Mainland. He has 33 grandsons and granddaughters and four great grandsons and great granddaughters.

But life goes on. Now, Sablan is still aiming. Trying to reach not for fortune. But no less than 1,000 "stars" in just two months.

While biding time at the Civic Center in Susupe two weeks ago, Sablan's older sister taught him how to weave "estrellas" (stars) using the dried leaves of "Acgag" (Octopus Tree).

The stars come in different sizes depending on the length and width of the available leaves. The biggest is just the size of a man's fist. Local women love to put stars made up of Acgag leaves for decorations at home.

In making a star, Sablan uses only four tools—a small knife, a plastic knife, and two pointed lemon twigs. These tools are primarily utilized only in cleaning or remov-

ing the sharp edges on the four pieces of Acgag dried leaves.

Sablan said he started very slow. But later on he could make the biggest star in just three minutes. The smaller one which has small holes in four minutes.

Sablan, a machinist who retired in 1980 after serving 33 years at the Department of Public Works Central Repair Shop, immediately began his day at the Senior Center (Manamko) weaving stars at 8:30 a.m.

By 1 p.m., he produces at least 15 stars. To relax for a while, he reads Chamorro-English dictionary then starts weaving again.

Now, he produced more than 100 pieces. He brings every finished products at his home. But he later gives it to his friends.

Instead of playing golf, Dama, Bingo, or watching TV at the Center as most of the aged ones do, Sablan said he prefers to sit in one corner and make stars.

"I want a more quiet place...I love weaving stars...it is just a play...a hobby while I am not doing nothing," Sablan said.

When he joined the Manamko community in 1992, Sablan said he

kept busy by weaving throwing nets. One net takes one to two months of perfection.

The same with what he is doing with the stars, Sablan also gave the nets later to his friends. Out of 15 nets he had made, he has only two left in his possession which he usually use in fishing in Garapan during weekends as a form of exercise.

"Like the stars I just gave it to my friends...I don't want to sell it. But if

they catch fish they give me," Sablan said, smiling.

Sablan is residing in Puerto Rico since 1953. He is currently staying with his loving wife Teresa, 66, who is still working as a tailor at Headstart School. With them are his 26-year-old daughter, 32-year-old son and 18-year-old grandson.

The couple are proud to tell that one of their daughters—Inocencia Thompson was the first Pan Ameri-

can Airlines stewardess in the CNML. Thompson is now a travel agency owner.

Sablan said he is optimistic he could accomplish his goal which is to make 1,000 stars in two months time. And life goes on. After reaching these stars, he said he will go beyond. Proceed his weaving skills using the same tools and Acgag leaves. This time he is looking forward to do the most difficult one—weaving Birds.



Vicente Sablan, 77 makes stars while biding time at Civic Center in Susupe. (photo by Foez A. Rahman)



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## IBM to make chips designed by Unisys

NEW YORK (AP) - IBM and Unisys, fierce competitors in the making and selling of mid-sized and large computers, said Monday they had reached a deal for IBM to manufacture chips designed by Unisys.

The chips will be used in main-frame-class "servers," which supply and process data for networks of personal computers.

The complementary metal oxide semiconductor, or CMOS, chips are the same kind that run PCs. Unisys is moving to CMOS from a technology called emitted coupler logic, which is a form of a older bipolar transistor chip design.

IBM will make the Unisys-designed chips at its microelectronics fabrication plant in Burlington, Vt. Unisys will manufacture computers that use the chips in Roseville, Minn. It will begin selling the machines early next year.

The companies did not disclose the value of their arrangement.


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**In isolated settlement, real threat could be Israel**

By KARIN LAUB

**NETZARIM, Occupied Gaza Strip (AP)** - This isolated Jewish settlement keeps out Palestinian gunmen with two lines of electric fences, barbed wire and watchtowers. But the real threat to its existence comes from Israel these days.

Senior officials like Foreign Minister Shimon Peres say it will take too many soldiers and too much money to sustain small, vulnerable Netzarim and perhaps other settlements.

"If Peres says such a thing it's worrisome. But it gives us more motivation to prove that we will stay here," settler Itzhak Wasana, 26, said Monday as he walked on a sandy path along one of the barbed-wire fences.

Later Monday, the Settler Council representing 144 settlements in

the West Bank and Gaza strip announced a registration drive for volunteers willing to block troops with passive resistance at endangered settlements.

From Netzarim, population 180, the outskirts of Gaza City with its 300,000 Palestinian residents were clearly visible during a visit Monday. The settlement, astride the main southern entrance to the city, is about a five-minute drive from the city center. Nobody from Netzarim ever goes.

The settlement emerged as a key obstacle in delaying implementation of the Israel-PLO autonomy accord well past the initial Dec. 13 deadline.

The Palestinians wanted it dismantled. They found it inconceivable that for the sake of 27 families, an entire army company would control a main east-west artery in Gaza.

In the talks, Israel stuck to the original plan signed last summer, which says that no settlements, including 16 in Gaza, would be dismantled during the five-year interim period of Palestinian autonomy.

Peres and others now argue, however, that since Israel is no longer being pressured by the Palestinians, it may decide on its own to dismantle Netzarim and a similar enclave north of Gaza City called Dugit. Residents there have said they would exchange their homes for similar property in Israel.

Peres also cited Vered Yericho, near the soon-to-be autonomous West Bank town of Jericho, as a possible candidate for dismantling.

With his remarks, Peres signaled that the future of Netzarim and perhaps other settlements is negotiable.

Netzarim, which means "sapling" in Hebrew, is a cluster of about 30 red-roofed cottages and

50 mobile homes built on sand dunes over the past decade. One-third of the cottages and all the mobile homes stand empty because the settlement has had trouble attracting residents to such an obvious target.

Despite the threat, they rejected an army request last month to move soldiers into 10 empty caravans to protect the site once autonomy begins.

"I don't know any man who wants an army base next to his home," said tomato farmer Eliyahu Uzan, 33, belying the sign on one of the mobile homes that reads, "Netzarim has a heart for soldiers."

About two weeks ago the army began leveling the sand dunes outside Netzarim for a new base, prompting Palestinians to grumble that the only thing the peace process was bringing was more soldiers.

The work stopped several days ago, Wasana said, apparently because the Palestinian owner of the land got a court injunction against the work.

Netzarim residents say they live here out of a sense that God promised the land to the Jews. They scoff at the idea that they are just holding out to get the best deal possible from the government if they agree to leave.

"We came here as pioneers," said Uzan, standing in his greenhouse.

Bracha Nissan, 28, mother of four and soon to give birth, takes care of eight toddlers in the day-care center. She tries to block out the hostile surroundings and the lack of support from other Israelis.

"It's a good life here. I don't want to talk about the future. We believe we belong here and we will stay here," she said.

**Clinton promises congress to work for opening World markets**

By CARL HARTMAN

**WASHINGTON (AP)** - President Clinton told Congress Monday that if Japan got rid of barriers to trade, Americans could sell it another \$9 billion to \$18 billion a year in goods and services.

The president's 398-page economic report to Congress, his first, followed the failure last week of Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa failing to agree on eliminating trade barriers.

Open markets in Japan would

mean not only that American firms would sell more, but they would get more money for their sales because of resulting changes in the exchange rate, Clinton said. Both Japanese and American consumers would have a bigger choice of goods at lower prices, he added.

He estimated that the Uruguay round of trade accords, now awaiting approval in Congress, would ultimately raise American yearly production by 1 percent. That would be more than \$60 billion worth in today's terms. He said that 10 years after these reductions of trade barriers go into effect, total U.S. gains would be \$100 billion to \$200 billion.

Clinton noted a forecast that the North American Free Trade Agreement, linking the United States with Mexico and Canada, would increase by 200,000 the number of Americans working on jobs that deal with exports.

He predicted that some of the gainers would be in groups that opposed the agreement, such as labor unions. He said they would benefit because the U.S. exports to Mexico that are growing are to a great extent produced by unionized labor.

The report emphasized the importance of services, rather than trade, in U.S. exports.

Under the heading "U.S. Exports: More Than Peanuts" Clinton gave some examples:

- The United States sold other countries more educational services - \$6.1 billion in 1992 - than it sold corn (maize) - \$5.7 billion

- It sold more financial services - \$5.4 billion - than wheat - \$4.6 billion

- More services in repairing and installing equipment - \$2.8 billion - than farm machines - \$2.1 billion

- More management consult-

ing services - \$780 million - than milled rice - \$720 million - and much more than peanuts - \$210 million.

Clinton saw a problem in opening more trade with countries formerly under communist rule because of the U.S. law against "dumping" - selling goods at an unfairly low price. The law divides countries into "market" and "non-market" economies.

Russia still is considered a non-market economy. If it were reclassified as a market economy, it would be subject to a part of the law that discourages government subsidies to industry by applying special customs duties to such products, making them more expensive here. Clinton pointed out that the Russian government gives industries sizeable subsidies.

Though the report does not say so, the ouster of reformers from the Russian government makes it likely that such subsidies will continue for some time.

**Officials say trade dispute won't affect other issues**

By DAVID BRISCOE

**WASHINGTON (AP)** - The impasse over trade will not affect U.S.-Japanese cooperation on security, political or cultural issues, U.S. State Department officials said Monday.

"In an adult relationship, you can walk and chew gum at the same time," said Timothy Wirth, State Department counselor who oversees global issues. He said cooperation on a wide variety of issues would continue despite last week's breakdown of trade talks.

President Clinton said Monday he was reviewing a range of possible retaliatory actions against Japan after trade talks collapsed last week, during the visit of Japanese Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa.

"We do not expect there to be a trade war, nor do we expect this to affect other areas," Wirth said at a briefing for foreign reporters.

He noted that both President Clinton and Hosokawa referred to the maturity of U.S. Japanese relations. Wirth said the ties were sophisticated and based on "a nuanced, subtle set of agreements, negotiations and relationships."

Wirth said Japan recognizes its responsibilities as a world power, and so does the United States.

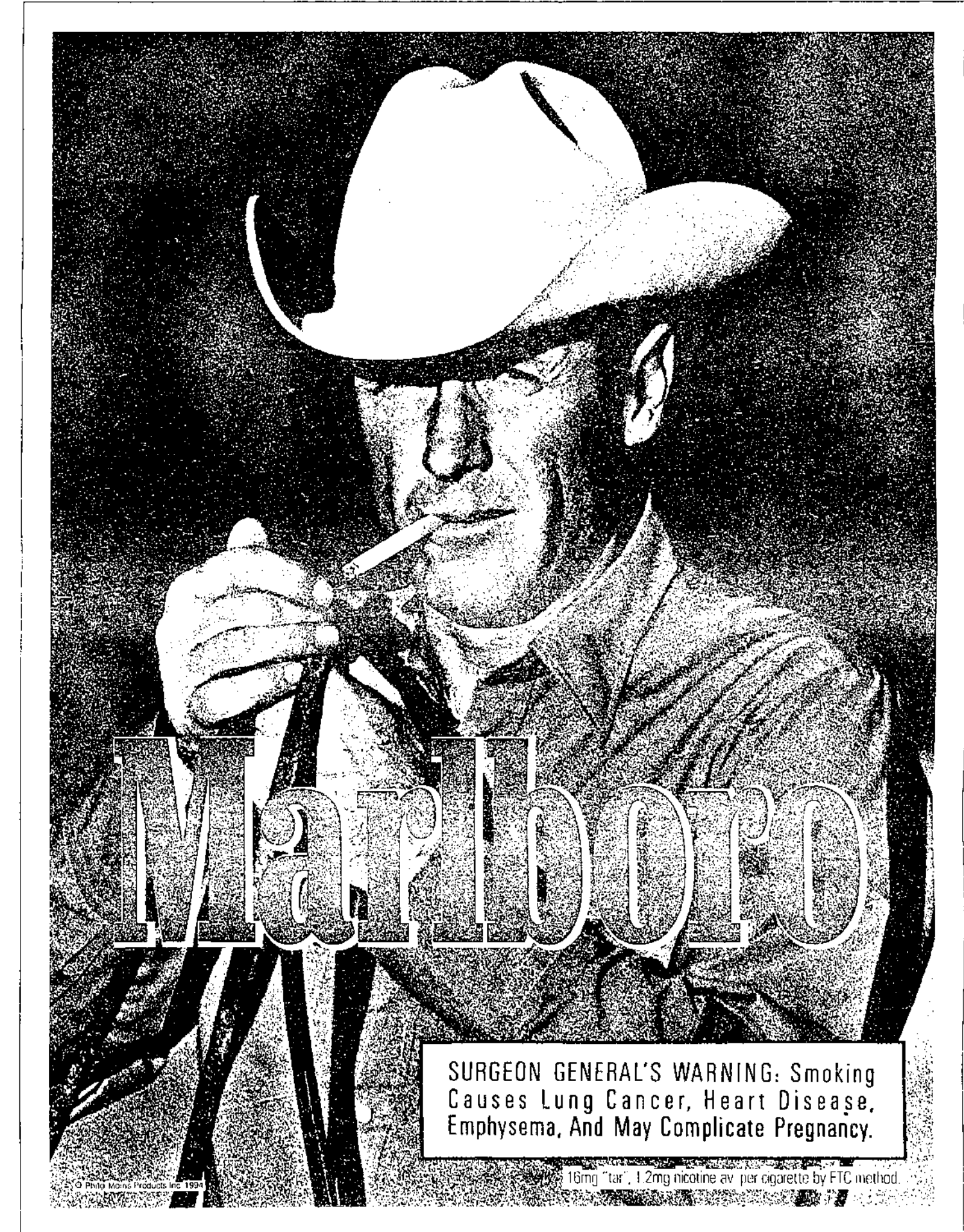
He said Japan is taking a leadership role in the worldwide fight against AIDS, with \$3 billion committed over the next seven years, adding, "We think that's wonderful."

Echoing Wirth's upbeat assessment of Japan's role in the world, State Department spokesman Michael McCurry said there was no indication in the discussions with Japanese government officials during Hosokawa's visit that would tie progress in the economic talks to joint security and political efforts.

"If anything, the strong cooperation that we enjoy there is something that we would like to see emulated in the economic sphere," McCurry said.

"We have seen no evidence that (trade disputes) would jeopardize the strength of the bilateral relationship in the security issues or in any of the political issues that we cooperate with the government of Japan on a global basis," he said.

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**Dutch airline files share offer with US trade agency**

**AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP)** - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines has registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission a planned offer of up to 21.5 million new common shares next month.

KLM said Monday the common stock issue will be via a public tender offer in March and will be open to all investors.

KLM, which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is hoping to raise 1 billion guilders (\$511 million) of fresh cash to shore up its capital base and help finance new investments in its fleet.

KLM currently has 52 million common shares and another 10 million preference shares.

The company's capital base has been sapped by the need to cover over 500 million guilders (\$255 million) in losses in recent years.

KLM said the Dutch government, which holds a 38.2 percent stake in the flag-carrier, intends to maintain that share holding.

It will do so by purchasing an unspecified number of the common

shares on offer as well as some newly issued Series A non-convertible cumulative preference shares.

The number of preference shares issued will depend on how many of the common shares are sold in the public offering, a KLM spokesman said.

The Dutch government already holds some KLM series A preference shares issued back in 1972. But it now intends to convert those 10 million existing preference shares into 9,917,355 million new common shares and purchase new ones.

Although the government's voting rights in the company will remain at 38.2 percent, the state will continue to hold options that allow it to boost its voting rights to at least 50.1 percent in the company.

KLM made the filing with the SEC Friday.

The company said the global stock issue will be coordinated jointly by the Dutch firm ABN Amro Holding and Merrill Lynch of the United States. Co-managers will be Dillon Read and Netwest Securities.

# Dollar sinks against Yen after failed trade talks

By MARY BETH SHERIDAN  
**NEW YORK (AP)** - The dollar plunged to a six-month low against the Japanese yen Monday as investors bailed out of the U.S. currency, fearful that the Clinton administration would drive the dollar lower against the yen in retaliation for the breakdown of trade talks.  
 Gold prices rose. On the New York Commodity Exchange, gold

for current delivery closed at \$383.90 a troy ounce, up \$3.90 from Monday. Republic National Bank of New York quoted gold at dtrs 383.85, up \$3.35.  
 The dollar started skidding against the yen in early trading in Tokyo although the Japanese central bank bought dollars to support the U.S. currency, according to Amy Smith, senior currency strategist at the IDEA analytic service.

The dollar dropped further as the European and U.S. markets opened. In New York, the dollar ended at 102.65 yen, down from 107.20 yen Friday.  
 The markets reacted to the collapse last Friday of bilateral trade talks intended to ease the nearly \$60 billion U.S. trade deficit with Japan.  
 "People are just thinking that the U.S. is going to talk the thing

down," said Paul Alley, an associate at Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, Ltd., referring to the dollar.  
 The Clinton administration encouraged the yen to rise against the dollar last year as a means of closing the trade gap. A stronger yen could curb Japanese exports by making them more expensive to U.S. consumers.  
 Traders interpreted the U.S. government's silence about the exchange rate Monday as approval of the soaring yen.

"I think they just want to make Japan sweat," said Mike McKeever, assistant vice president at Fuji Bank Ltd. in New York.  
 John Nelson, director of foreign exchange at Barclays Bank PLC in New York, said the frenetic selling of the dollar was partly due to the number of traders who had "shorted" the yen, thinking it was about to drop in price. That is, they had sold borrowed yen, hoping to repay them with cheaper yen and pocket the difference.  
 Instead, the yen began to climb, and traders scrambled to buy yen and cover their positions.  
 "We were literally seeing 1 percent moves in the dollar in 15 or 20 minutes," said Nelson.  
 The dollar reached its lowest closing level against the yen since Aug. 18, when it hit 101.60. As investors abandoned the dollar, it also sank against other currencies.  
 Other dollar rates in New York, compared with late Friday, included: 1.7270 German marks, down from 1.7545; 1.4575 Swiss francs, down from 1.4805; 5.8735 French francs, down from 5.9585; 1,669 Italian lire, down from 1,689.50; and 1.3533 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3435.  
 On the New York Comex, silver for current delivery closed at dtrs 5.343 a troy ounce, up 9.5 cents. Silver bullion rose in London to a late bid price of \$ 5.32 from \$ 5.27.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The NMI Retirement Fund/Workers' Compensation Commission will hold its regular meeting as follows:

**DATE : February 17, 1994**  
**TIME : 6:00 p.m.**  
**PLACE : Fund's Conference Room**

**AGENDA:**

1. Camacho vs. Retirement Fund: Eligibility for 5 years per Constitution
2. Santos vs. PSS vs. WCC: Workers' Compensation Commission Claim
3. Member Home Loan Program - Appraiser's List
4. Senate Bill No. 9-27: Investment Earning General Fund
5. Open Government Law
6. Board Concurrence: Exemption for Retiree to Return to Government Service
7. Office Space
8. Discounted Commission: Broker
9. Global Privatization Fund

Regular meeting of the Board are open to the public. Interested persons are welcome to attend. For more information, call the NMI Retirement Fund at 234-7228.

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**Business inventories unchanged; Sales up**

By JAMES H. RUBIN

WASHINGTON (AP) - Business inventories were unchanged in December, while sales were up 0.8 percent, the government said Monday.  
 Stocks held on shelves and back lots totaled a seasonally adjusted \$ 874.6 billion, the Commerce Department reported.  
 The inventory total ended a four-month string of advances. November inventories had risen 0.6 percent, the biggest since January 1991. Sales rose for the fifth straight month, climbing 0.8 percent. They jumped 1.1 percent in November.  
 A buildup in inventories can be a danger signal for the economy if stocks pile up too fast and prompt factories to cut production. But an increase also can mean merchants are restocking shelves in anticipation of greater consumer demand.  
 Economists have not been troubled by recent inventory gains because sales were strong in the final months of last year.  
 Sales rose in December to a seasonally adjusted \$612.2 billion following November's 1.1 percent rise and a 0.8 percent increase in October.  
 The inventory-to-sales ratio was 1.43 in December, compared to 1.44 the previous month. That means it would take 1.43 months to exhaust stockpiles at the December sales pace.

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# Hong Kong cops to testify

**MANILA, Philippines (AP)** - A judge trying a police general, a colonel and five other people in the kidnapping of a Taiwanese businessman said Monday he will ask three Hong Kong police officers to testify at the trial.

Judge Julio Logarta of the Makati Regional Trial Court said he will send a summons through the Presidential Anti-Crime Commission to Police Constable Lam Sin-Yee, Detective Inspector Ronald William Abbot and Detective Sgt. Chan Leiching.


Former police Brig. Gen. Dietaor Alqueza, Col. Reynaldo Berroya, former head of the anti-kidnapping task force of the commission, a retired air force colonel and three other men and a woman were charged with the May 11, 1993, kidnapping of Jack Chou.

They have all denied involvement. Chou was released seven days later after his family paid 10 million pesos (about \$357,000) in ransom

through a network of underground banks in Taipei and Hong Kong.  
 Court records showed the three officers from the Criminal Intelligence Bureau of the Hong Kong police helped the anti-crime com-

mission obtain transcripts of telephone calls made by one of the accused, Reynaldo Manio.  
 The officers also reportedly helped trace how the ransom money allegedly was received Manio.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY ROSARY**



WE THE FAMILY OF THE LATE  
**VALERIO (BOLO) MENDIOLA CABRERA**

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY BELOVED HUSBAND, OUR FATHER AND GRANDFATHER, WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL OUR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS TO JOIN US, AS WE COMMEMORATE THE 1ST. YEAR OF HIS PASSAGE INTO LIFE WHICH WILL BEGIN ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1994 THRU FEBRUARY 18, 1994. NIGHTLY ROSARY WILL BE SAID AT 8:00 PM AT THEIR RESIDENCE IN CHALAN KANOA DIST. #1. ON FEBRUARY 17, ROSARY WILL BE SAID AT 12:00 NOON AND FOLLOWED BY A MASS AT 6:00 PM AT MT. CARMEL CATHEDRAL. DINNER WILL BE SERVED AFTER THE MASS AT THEIR RESIDENCE IN CHALAN KANOA.

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 MRS. MARIANA A. CAREREA, CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

In the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
**CIVIL ACTION NO. 93-1263**

CITY TRUST BANK  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 UNITED TOUR MASTERS, INC., KUM SUN OH, and Young J. OH,  
 Defendants.

**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION**  
 The Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to Defendant, YOUNG J. OH,  
 You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty (20) days after final publication of this summons, to wit on or before the 24th day of March, 1994, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint to Plaintiff, City Trust Bank, and serve a copy of your answer upon the Plaintiff's attorney:

TIMOTHY H. SKINNER  
 Law Offices of  
 Timothy H. Bellas  
 P.O. Box 2845  
 Saipan, MP 96950

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The complaint contains allegations that you have guaranteed certain loan obligations and both you and United Tour Masters, Inc. have failed to make payments on those loans.

(5) Clerk of Court  
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- 1 ASSISTANT CHIEF COOK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$700 per month.
- 4 WAITRESS NIGHT CLUB - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.45 per hour.
- 1 BARTENDER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.50 per hour.
- 1 CHIEF COOK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$900 per month.  
 Contact: STRINGSTONE ENTERPRISES INC. dba Bistrot Restaurants, Caller Box PPP 535, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 322-5147(03/02)W/14404.
- 1 ACCOUNTANT - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$1,200 per month.  
 Contact: MARIANAS VISITORS DEVELOPMENT, INC., P.O. Box 5192 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 233-2020(03/02)W/14402.
- 2 COOK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.50 per hour.  
 Contact: KEI ENTERPRISES CO. LTD., P.O. Box 5561 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 233-2020(03/02)W/14403.
- 1 ELECTRONIC MECHANIC - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$750 per month.
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- 1 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$4.65 per hour.  
 Contact: DINO M. JONES dba D.J. Consulting Firm, Caller Box AAA 1157, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 322-8151(03/02)W/14406.
- 1 MASON - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.45-\$3.00 per hour.  
 Contact: JESUS B. YUMUL dba YCO Corporation, P.O. Box 932 CK, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-6604-5(03/02)W/7929.
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 Contact: RAFAEL B. DELA CRUZ dba WC Enterprises, P.O. Box 644, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-5216(03/02)W/14353.
- 1 SALESLERK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.45-\$3.00 per hour.  
 Contact: KIM KWANG YEAN dba Julim Enterprises, Inc., Caller Box PPP-448, Saipan, MP 96950. (03/02)W/14354.
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*Message of Appreciation*

*We, the family of the late*

**ANTONIO REYES DELEON GUERRERO**



*wish to extend our most sincere gratitude and appreciation to our many relatives, friends, colleagues and to all those who in one way or another remembered us and shared our sorrow during our time of bereavement.*

*Your prayers, words of comfort and invaluable assistances gave us solace during those difficult times.*

*We shall always remember your kindness.*

*Special thanks to: Most Reverend Archbishop Anthony Apuron, OFM Cap., Bishop Tomas A. Camacho, Father Roger T. Tenorio, Father Jose G. Villagomez, Father David Zuituquia, Father Manny Ombao, Father Eric Forbs, Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja, President Jesus R. Sablan, Speaker Diego T. Benavente, Dr. Gerald Heustis and other Staff of C.H.C.*

**DANGKULO NA SI YUUS MAASE  
 MARIA VILLAGOMEZ DELEON GUERRERO & FAMILY**

# Rules... continued from page 1

the chief executive added.  
The newly issued guidelines are as follows:

## 1) Requirements for a Regular Public Meeting

- All governing bodies must conduct meetings within the territorial boundaries over which the public agency exercises jurisdiction
- All meeting must be open to all persons
- Notice of all regular meetings shall appear in at least one Commonwealth newspaper
- Meeting notice must be posted 72 hours prior to convening a meeting

- Notice must be posted at the Executive Building Administrative Building (bulletin board) and site of meeting; Agenda must be included
- Agenda will specify the date, time, and place of meeting
- All interested persons may present oral or written testimony

## 2) Executive Session During A Regular Meeting

- Presiding officer must publicly announce reasons for convening an executive session during a regular meeting
- While in open meeting, the governing body must approve a motion to go into executive session by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present
- The vote of each member will be recorded and entered into the minutes
- Only those areas specified in Section 13 of P.L. 8-41 are lawful reasons for convening an executive session
- If a meeting does not fulfill these requirements, it is null and void, and decisions taken at that meeting have no legal effect.

## 3) Procedures for an Emergency Meeting

- Emergencies may include typhoon, flood, fire, law enforcement or other emergency
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## 4) Requirements for Minutes

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- One copy of all approved minutes shall be transmitted to the Archives of the Northern Mariana College.

## 5) Violations and Personal Liability Penalty

- Civil penalties shall be assessed for knowingly violating provisions of the Act
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- Each member of the governing body who attends a meeting is potentially at risk

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- An emergency agenda and findings on emergency must be filed in the official record of the governing body
- Procedures for Special Meetings
- May be called at any time by the presiding officer or by a vote of a majority of members
- Notice of special meetings must be submitted to each local newspaper, radio and television or cable television station
- Each notice shall be delivered personally or by mail at least twenty-four hours prior to any special meeting
- Notice shall specify time, place, and business to be transacted
- No business other than that placed on the agenda may be considered
- Written waiver of notice, if applicable, to members of governing body.

## 4) Right to Privacy

- The public has the right to inspect, examine, or copy public records
- Information may not be disclosed by the governing body if it determines that it would be highly offensive to a reasonable person, and is not of legitimate concern to the public

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# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS for APRON EXPANSION AT ROTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ROTA, MARIANA ISLANDS, AIP Project No. 3-69-0003-07, will be received at the office of the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY, Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 1055, Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950, until 2:00 p.m., March 25 1994, at which time and place the sealed proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The project in general, consists of building an expansion of the existing apron at Rota International Airport all in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The project is being financed by funds from the Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) and by funds from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within sixty (60) days from the date of bid opening. Depending on the availability of funds, the CPA reserves the right to hold such bid in effect for ninety (90) days from date of bid opening.

This contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended, on September 24, 1965, the Federal Labor Provisions and the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) provisions as contained in the contract, specifications and bid documents.

All mechanics and laborers on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate established by the U.S. Secretary of Labor. A copy of the Department of Labor Wage Rate Determination is applicable to this contract and is made a part of the specifications (see Sections 70-24).

Each bidder must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (AIP No. 369-0003-07) the 'Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause,' a Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities' (see specifications).

### Required Notices for all Contracts.

- The bidder must supply all the information required by the bid forms and specifications.
- The CPA, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, hereby notifies all bidders that they (bidders) must affirmatively insure that, with respect any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for award.

The bidder's attention is called to the fact that the proposed contract shall be under and subject to the equal opportunity clause as set forth in Part III, Section 302(b) of Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4 (b) of the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, to the contract and labor provisions as set forth in Section 152.55 and Appendix H, Part 152, of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) implemented by Part 21 of the Regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation. Also, the proposed contract will be subject to the Contractor's Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities.

The apparent low bidder and any known first tier subcontractor will be subject to a pre-awards, equal opportunity compliance review by representatives of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, U.S. Department of Labor, before the award of the contract for the purpose of determining whether the bidder and/or his subcontractors are able to comply with the provisions of the equal opportunity clause.

If the bidder has participated in a previous contract subject to the equal opportunity clause and has not submitted compliance reports as required by applicable instructions, the bidder shall submit, prior to award of contract, a compliance report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the FAA or the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor.

A bidder or prospective prime contractor or proposed subcontractor shall be required to submit such information as the FAA or the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, request prior to the award of a contract or subcontract. When a determination has been made to award, or after the award, or both to furnish such other information as the FAA or the Director requests.

Contract documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, upon the payment of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00) for each set of plan documents. The amount is non-refundable. Payment shall be made by check payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the ROTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING, at 11:00 a.m. on February 25, 1994, to explain and clarify any question regarding this project. Questions should be submitted to the Consultant, in writing, at least five (5) days in advance for answers at this pre-bid conference, with a copy of same mailed simultaneously to the Executive Director, CPA.

Each prospective bidder shall file with CPA, at the above Saipan address, a notice of his/her intention to bid in a form substantially similar to that supplied herewith, not less than six (6) calendar days prior to the date hereinabove designated for opening of bids.

Each proposal shall be on a form furnished by CPA. Furthermore, each prospective bidder shall submit his/her qualification statements not less than ten (10) calendar days prior to the date hereinabove designated for opening bids.

The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any bids in accordance with Section 3.2(7) of its Procurement Rules and Regulations.

(s) ROMAN T. TUDELA  
Executive Director/ Contracting Officer  
Date: 2/10/94

### FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVERTISING (INVITATION FOR BID/NOTICE TO BIDDERS)

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- All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rates established by the U.S. Secretary of Labor.
- Each bidder must supply all the information required by the bid documents and specifications.
- The EEO requirements, labor provisions and wage rates are included in the specifications and bid documents and are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority.
- Each bidder must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (at submission of the bid), the 'Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause,' and the 'Certifications of Non-Segregated Facilities' as contained in the Bid Proposal.
- A contractor having 50 or more employees and his subcontractors having 50 or more employees and who may be awarded a contract \$50,000 or more will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the specifications.
- To be eligible for award, each bidder must comply with the affirmative action requirements which are contained in the specifications.
- In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.
- Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards of requirements for this employment of minorities.

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  - CUTTER - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.45-\$12.00 per hour.
  - SEWING MACHINE OPERATOR SUPERVISOR
  - QUALITY CONTROL CHECKER SUPERVISOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$11.00 per hour.
  - SEWING MACHINE OPERATOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.45-\$6.00 per hour.
  - PRESSER
  - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
  - QUALITY CONTROL CHECKER
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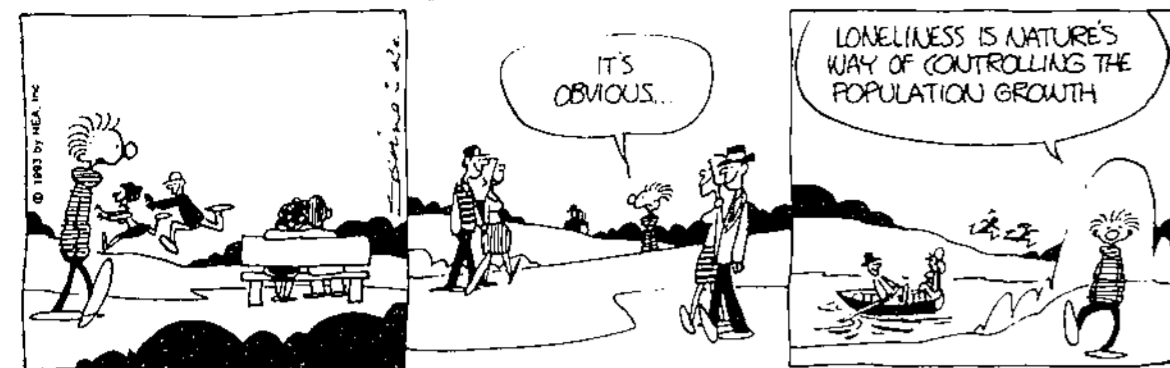
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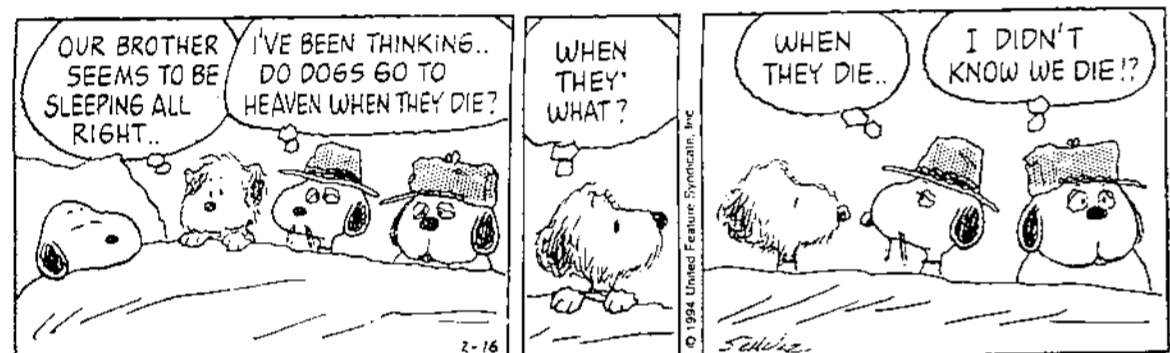
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By RONALD BLUM NEW YORK (AP) - St. Louis catcher Todd Zeile and New York Yankees infielder Pat Kelly appeared before salary arbiters Monday, while Houston outfielder Luis Gonzalez and Montreal pitcher John Wetteland settled.

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Lewis calls for stronger action against drug cheats

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - World 100-meter record holder Carl Lewis called Tuesday for stronger action to end the use of performance-enhancing drugs by track and field athletes.

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# SPORTS



## Russians set to take over medals lead

By PHIL BROWN

**LILLEHAMMER, Norway (AP)** - Norwegians unfazed by kilometer after kilometer of skiing or skating have given the host nation a sizzling start in the Olympic medals race. Now it's the turn of Russians who skate in sprints or jumps or spins.

Russian successes in men's 500-meter speedskating Monday owed something, however, to the jinx haunting American Dan Jansen,

the world record holder and only man ever to skate the 500 faster than 36 seconds. After two falls in 1988 and two letdowns in 1992, he slipped on a turn here and failed again to win an Olympic medal.

On Tuesday, Ekaterina Gordeeva and Sergei Grinkov of Russia, the 1988 Olympic pairs figure skating gold medalists and winners of Sunday's technical program, face a challenge in the free skate that will decide the gold

medal. But it's mainly from two other Russian pairs, including 1992 Olympic winners Natalia Mishkutenok and Artur Dmitriev.

Also on Tuesday's program were the women's 5-kilometer cross-country ski race, generally dominated by Russians and Italians, and the women's super-giant slalom, in which Italy's Deborah Compagnoni is back to try to defend her title.

Thus the Russians appeared set to reverse the order in the medal

standings. After Monday's events, Norway led with five medals, including two golds. Russia had four medals, including one gold.

In ice hockey, however, the once mighty Russians slumped to a 5-0 loss to Finland Monday night, evening their record at 1-1 in the Olympic tournament. It was the worst Olympic loss ever suffered by the squad formerly known as the Soviet Union and Unified Team. The Czech Republic rebounded from an opening-game loss to Finland to drub Austria 7-3. Germany edged Norway 2-1, matching Finland's 2-0 record.

For the thousands of home fans who turned the cross-country course into a sea of Norwegian flags, it mattered little that 1992 triple gold medalist Bjorn Dahlie had to settle for a silver medal in Monday's 30-kilometer race.

Thomas Alsgaard, in his Olympic debut, won the gold by 47.2 seconds.

Finland's Mika Myllyla took the bronze, 1:47.6 behind the winner.

"I thought I had a chance to medal, but only if everything worked 100 percent," Alsgaard said.

Norway also scored a 1-2 sweep in Sunday's 5,000-meter men's speedskating, in which Johann Olav Koss broke his own world record.

Meanwhile, the Norwegians took a step toward an Alpine skiing gold when Lasse Kjus won Monday's downhill portion of the men's combined event.

But when a slalom race on Feb. 25 decides the overall winner, Kjus will face a familiar nemesis - American Tommy Moe, dubbed the "gullytv," or gold thief, by the

Norwegian press after edging Norwegian World Cup leader Kjetil Andre Aamodt by four-hundredths of a

second for victory in Sunday's downhill. Moe was third in the combined downhill portion, behind teammate Kyle Rasmussen, considered less of a threat in the slalom.

Aamodt also was close enough in the downhill to be in a good position for gold when the total times are added up after the slalom.

In Monday's 500-meter speedskating, Russians Alexander Golubev and Sergei Klevchenya both broke the Olympic record of 36.45 seconds set by Uwe-Jens Mey of the former East Germany in Calgary in 1988.

Golubev won in 36.33, followed by Klevchenya in 36.39 and bronze medalist Manabu Horii of Japan in 36.53.

But all eyes were on Jansen, winner of 30 World Cup race titles. He slipped on the final turn and finished eighth in 36.68.

"Everybody knows that I am the best, but I wasn't today. There's not really any more chances for me. I'll have to live my life without an Olympics 500-meter gold medal," Jansen said.

He still could medal in the 1,000 on Friday, however.

Exactly six years ago, Jansen's sister, Jane Jansen Beres, died of leukemia while he was preparing for the Calgary Games, in which he then fell twice. He could do no better than fourth in 1992.

"As soon as I saw him slip, I said, 'Why God. Why again?' God can't be that cruel," said Jansen's wife, Robin. "I'm sure one day

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## Qualifying changes for World Championship

**LONDON (AP)** - Organizers of the World Championship of golf have made two changes in the qualifying events for this year's tournament.

Winners of the Ryder Open and the World Series of Golf tournaments will gain automatic entry to the 1994 World

Championship, set for Dec. 15-18 at the Tryall Club in Kingston, Jamaica.

The Ryder Open, March 3-6 in Miami, replaces the Mercedes Championship, and the World Series of Golf, Aug. 25-28 in Akron, Ohio, supplants Greg Norman's Holden

Classic. All are U.S. PGA Tour events.

The winners of 22 other major tournaments around the world qualify for the World Championship, along with the top three golfers in the world rankings and defending world champion Larry Mize of the United States.

## Jordan's baseball talents go on public display

By BEN WALKER

**SARASOTA, Fla. (AP)** - Three fast honks of the horn, a quick squeal of rubber and Michael Jordan zoomed away Monday afternoon.

The windows of his red Corvette shut tight, he zipped out of the fenced-in Chicago White Sox complex, past the curious on-lookers and down a side road.

He had just finished his last workout in private, and perhaps he wanted to enjoy the moment. Because starting Tuesday, his baseball talents will go on public display, up until the time he either makes the team or misses the cut.

A crowd of 250 media members was expected Tuesday morning at Ed Smith Stadium to see Jordan's practice. White Sox pitchers and catchers report to spring training Wednesday and fans will be able to watch them, along with a 6-foot-6 (1.98-meter) rookie outfielder wearing No. 45, work out beginning Thursday, Jordan's 31st birthday.

Among those who waited - without success - for comment from Jordan on Monday was his former Chicago Bulls teammate, Bobby Hansen. He works for

WHO-TV in Des Moines and, like a lot of others, wonders what the world's greatest basketball player is doing on a baseball field.

"If I had to ask him one question, it would be, 'Why, Michael, why?'" Hansen said.

"You wonder how patient the White Sox will be. I think if he was just some other player, they might cut him in a week," Hansen said. "But, I think they might give him time. I also think that if he was hitting in the .100s and not doing well, he'd be able to walk away."

In the meantime, Jordan, who arrived in town last Wednesday, has been working out almost every morning behind guarded gates. His daily routine includes running the bases, hitting in the batting cages and against White Sox staff members and shagging about 300 fly balls. Later, perhaps after some ping-pong in the locker room, he goes golfing.

The moment of truth, many believe, will come the first time Jordan, who has not played baseball since high school, sees a major-league curveball. That may not be until Feb. 23, when the regulars report.

In the meantime, the White Sox are trying to make sure Jordan's presence does not disrupt camp as the AL West champions get set to

try to win the new AL Central.

They plan to treat him like any other new player, although he does get a few perks. Rather than being stuck in the back of the clubhouse, where most minor leaguers wearing high numbers would be, he's got a prime spot on a row next to top pitching prospects James Baldwin and Scott Ruffcorn and Cy Young winner Jack McDowell.

For now, though, his locker looks no different than the others. There are no stacks of mail yet, just the usual baseball gear and his bats, standard models from several manufacturers with his name printed in block letters - only when a player makes the team does it come spelled out in script.

The White Sox had a small hint of the kind of hoopla Jordan will cause last spring when Bo Jackson arrived with his artificial hip. But, just a few miles away from where Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey used to have its headquarters, the White Sox are expecting a real circus this time. Three rings, too, one for each of Jordan's NBA championships.

"Thope he does well, obviously," Hansen said. "I think he'll be a natural fielder and a natural runner. The big question is how well will he hit?"

## Chen, Bryne win at Nokia Open

**BEIJING (AP)** - Chen Li of China and Jenny Byrne of Australia won their opening matches Monday in the Nokia Open '94 women's tennis tournament.

Chen, ranked 270th in the world, overwhelmed 178th-ranked Nicole Pratt of Australia 6-1, 6-1 at Beijing's National Olympic Sports Center.

The left-handed Chen drew enthusiastic applause from the home audience, while Pratt seemed hesitant and committed 13 double faults.

Byrne had to fight for about two hours before putting away Angela Kerek of Germany 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

The tournament, which is being billed as the first professional women's tennis tournament in China, has as its top seed Wang Shiting of Taiwan, the 1993 Asian singles champion. Pam Shriver of the United States is also playing.

In doubles play, Carin Bakkum of the Netherlands and Andrea Leand of the United States defeated China's Yang Lihua and Yi Jingqian 7-6 (7-4), 6-2.

Four main draw qualifiers also were decided Monday, with Tang Liyao of China, Miki Yokobori and Hiroko Hara of Japan and Sandy Collins of the United States qualifying for the tournament from among 20 contenders.

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