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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-333
FSM CONGRESS

August 18, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts without signature:



Public Law No. 18-77, Congressional Act No. 18-78, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-58, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-64, 16-72, 17-08, 17-11, 17-20, 17-35 AND 17-41, BY AMENDING SECTION 4 THEREOF, TO MODIFY THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-78, Congressional Act No. 18-79, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49, 18-61 AND 18-63, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-79, Congressional Act No. 18-80, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71, 17-05, 17-18, 17-29, 17-47, 18-23, 18-33 AND 18-50, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-80, Congressional Act No. 18-81, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-18, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65, 18-27 AND 18-47, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Public Law No. 18-81, Congressional Act No. 18-82, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-11, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO 18-44. BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN. AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-82, Congressional Act No. 18-83, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-05, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-07, 18-14, 18-31, 18-38 AND 18-72, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-83. Congressional Act No. 18-84, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59. AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21, 18-29 AND 18-64, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-84, Congressional Act No. 18-85, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO.17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78. 17-87, 18-36, AND 18-65, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO OFFER A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-85, Congressional Act No. 18-86, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40, 18-17 AND 18-67, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

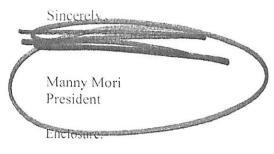
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Public Law No. 18-86. Congressional Act No. 18-87, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-23, 17-30, 17-32, 17-45, 17-85, 18-28, 18-45 AND 18-59, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-87, Congressional Act No. 18-89, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10. 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 AND 18-58, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN EACH OF THE STATES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I reviewed the above Acts, designed to alter the funds and change the allottees for various public projects. The numerous amendments, which fail to provide clear direction on the intention of Congress behind altering funds and changing allottees, make it impossible for the Executive branch to implement public projects without involvement from Congress.

The involvement of some members of Congress in the implementation of public projects violates the Constitution, as confirmed by the Udot case. I have previously shared this concern with Congress and once again bring this problem to your attention. Let's resolve this matter amicably and avoid going to court to seek further clarifications.



Xe: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court Secretary, Department of Justice Director, SBOC Legislative Counsel, CFSM Library, CFSM

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Office of the Chief Clerk

July /5 , 2014

His Excellency Manny Mori President Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 18-80, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71, 17-05, 17-18, 17-29, 17-47, 18-23, 18-33 AND 18-50, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE LAPSE DATE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis

Chief Clerk, Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION JULY 7 - 12, 2014

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An Act

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL

DATE: JULY 7, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN - JULY 8, 2014

FIRST READING: JULY 9, 2014

SECOND READING: JULY 10, 2014

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Office of the Speaker

ACT NO. 18-80

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-193)

We hereby certify that on July 10 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Dohsis Halbert

Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-193

PIIBLIC LAW No. 18-79

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 16-62, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 16-71, 17-05, 17-18, 17-29, 17-47, 18-23, 18-33 and 18-50, by amending section 6 thereof, to change the lapse date of certain funds previously appropriated therein, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 6 of Public Law No. 16-62, as amended by
- 2 Public Laws Nos. 16-71, 17-05, 17-18 and 18-23, is hereby
- 3 further amended to read as follows:

4	"Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and
5	lapse date. All funds appropriated by this act shall
6	be allotted, managed, administered and accounted for
7	in accordance with applicable law, including, but not
8	limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979.
9	The allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that
10	these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary,
11	are used solely for the purpose specified in this
12	act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess
13	of the sum appropriated. The allottee of funds
14	appropriated under sections 2 and 4 of this act shall
15	be the President of the Federated States of
16	Micronesia or his designee, PROVIDED THAT the
17	allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
18	4(1)(c) of this act shall be the Pohnpei

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Transportation Authority, the allottee of funds
appropriated under subsection 4(2)(c) of this act
shall be the Secretary of the Department of Resources
and Development or his designee, the allottee of
funds appropriated under subsections 4(3)(b), 4(3)(c)
and 4(3)(j) of this act shall be the Luhkenmoanlap of
Kitti Municipal Government and the allottee of funds
appropriated under subsection 4(3)(i) of this act
shall be the Meninkeder Lapalap of Madolenihmw
Municipal Government. The allottee of funds
appropriated under section 3 of this act shall be the
Governor of Yap State. The allottee of funds
appropriated under subsections 5(1) and 5(3) shall be
the Governor of Chuuk or his designee. The allottee
of funds appropriated under subsection 5(2) of this
section 5 of this act shall be the Mortlocks Islands
Development Authority. The allottee of funds
appropriated under subsection 5(4) of section 5 of
this act shall be the Executive Director of the
Southern Namoneas Development Authority. The
allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 5(5)
of section 5 of this act shall be the Faichuk
Development Authority. The allottee of funds
appropriated under subsection 5(6) of section 5 of
this act shall be the Northwest Development

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1	Authority. The funds appr	ropriated by this act shall	
2	lapse on September 30, 2015."		
3	Section 2. This act shall become	ome law upon approval by the	
4	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its		
5	becoming law without such approval.		
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