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SEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1992

c. R. NO. 7-147

A RESOLUTION

Respectfully requesting the President of the Federated States of Micronesia to immediately formulate and communicate to the Government of Japan a National Government position disapproving of Japan's shipping of plutonium and other dangerous substances through the territorial waters of the Federated States of Micronesia and notifying the Government of Japan that it will be held responsible and strictly liable for any problems arising from these shipments.

- 1 WHEREAS, it has been widely reported that Japan intends to
- 2 ship plutonium and other dangerous substances from France through
- 3 the Pacific Ocean to Japan; and
- 4 WHEREAS, plutonium is a radioactive element and is one of the
- 5 most toxic and lethal substances known; and
- 6 WHEREAS, plutonium remains deadly for many tens of thousands of
- 7 years; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a leakage or spillage of plutonium or other dangerous
- 9 substances from a ship traveling through or adjacent to the
- 10 territorial waters of the Federated States of Micronesia would wreak
- 11 havoc with the environment and present a serious threat to the
- 12 citizens of the Nation; now, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Congress of the Federated
- 14 States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 1992, that the Congress
- 15 hereby respectfully requests the President of the Federated States of
- 16 Micronesia to immediately formulate and communicate to the Government
- 17 of Japan a National Government position disapproving of Japan's
- 18 shipping of plutonium and other dangerous substances through the
- 19 territorial waters of the Federated States of Micronesia and
- 20 notifying the Government of Japan that it will be held responsible
- 21 and strictly liable for any problems arising from these shipments;
- 22 and
- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution
- 24 be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of
- 25 Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs, the

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1 Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, the Governors of the

2 States of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speakers of the

3 State legislatures of the Federated States of Micronesia, and the

4 President of the Senate of the Chuuk State Legislature.

6 Date: 10-30-92 Introduction by: Isaac Figir
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