FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SIXTH REGULAR SESSION, 2009   C.R. NO. 15-197

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to review, for the purpose of amending, the
Partnership Agreement on fishing between the European Union and the
Federated States of Micronesia (FSM).

 1   WHEREAS, The FSM and the European Union entered an agreement

 2   entitled "PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT between the European Community and

 3   the Federated States of Micronesia on fishing in the Federated

 4   States of Micronesia" (the "Agreement").

 5   WHEREAS, said Agreement was for a duration of nine years from

 6   2007 to 2016 with a protocol for payment which was for three years

 7   from 2007 to 2010; and

 8   WHEREAS, Congress has ratified said Agreement; and

 9   WHEREAS, upon further review it is the sense of Congress that

10   certain provisions of the Agreement, including but not limited to

11   the lack of a ceiling on tonnage of fish caught and the amount

12   paid for access to the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), may not be

13   in the best interest of the FSM; now, therefore

14   BE IT RESOLVED by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated

15   States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2009, that the

16   President is urged, through agencies such as NORMA and the

17   Department of Resources and Development, to initiate a review of

18   the Agreement with a view to amend, rectify, and otherwise change

19   provisions of the Agreement that may not be in the best interest

20   of the FSM; and

1   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President should consider, in

2 case no such change is possible, to take steps toward terminating

3 the Agreement; and

4   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this

5 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States

6 of Micronesia, NORMA, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign

7 Affairs and the Secretary of the Department of Resources and

8 Development.

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