September 29, 2009

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
16th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei, FM 96941

Dear Speaker Figir:

I take this opportunity to thank you and all the honorable members of Congress for approving Congressional Act No. 16-8, entitled:

"AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-55, AS AMENDED, TO ALLOW ONE-TIME REPROGRAMMING FROM THE PERSONNEL LINE ITEM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO MEET THE RENT AND OTHER COSTS OF THE TOKYO MISSION OFFICE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FLUCTUATING YEN EXCHANGE RATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

The passage of the act provides logistical support for our Tokyo Mission Office which has been facing budgetary constraints due to fluctuating exchange rate.

Therefore, I hereby sign and approve Congressional Act No. 16-8 to become Public Law No. 16-9.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Many Mori
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Secretary, Department of Justice
Director, Office of SBOC
Legislative Counsel, CFSM
Library, CFSM
PIO, FSM
September 23, 2009

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. 16-8, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-55, AS AMENDED, TO ALLOW ONE-TIME REPROGRAMMING FROM THE PERSONNEL LINE ITEM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO MEET THE RENT AND OTHER COSTS OF THE TOKYO MISSION OFFICE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FLUCTUATING YEN EXCHANGE RATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2009, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liviana K. Ramon  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
An Act

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOE N. SUKA (BY REQUEST)
DATE: SEPTEMBER 01, 2009

REFERRED TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 2, 2009
FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 2, 2009
SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 16-8

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 16-37, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on September 21 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2009, 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.

Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia
AN ACT

To amend section 11 of Public Law No. 15-55, as amended, to allow one-time reprogramming from the personnel line item of the Department of Foreign Affairs to meet the rent and other costs of the Tokyo Mission Office associated with the fluctuating yen exchange rate, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 11 of Public Law No. 15-55, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 11. Reprogramming. Reprogramming of funds into or from the personnel budget line items shall not be permitted, except that reprogramming from the personnel budget of the Department of Foreign Affairs is allowed for one time only on or before the end of Fiscal Year 2009 in an amount not to exceed $60,000 for rent and other costs of the Tokyo Mission Office associated with the fluctuating yen exchange rate. The President, Speaker and Chief Justice may reprogram up to 10% to or from the funds appropriated in sections 2 (Operating expenses of the Executive Branch), 3 (Operating expenses of the Legislative Branch), and 4 (Operating expenses of the National Judicial Branch) respectively. Reprogramming of funds within a department, office or agency shall be effected by the head of such department, office or agency by specifying in writing to the
Secretary of Finance and Administration, FSM National Government, the accounts for which funding is either increased or decreased. The President shall report to Congress within one month of the last day of each financial quarter all amounts reprogrammed inter or intra a department, office or agency.

Section 2. Effective Date. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

September 29, 2009

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia