

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 21-44

RE: C.R. NO. 21-115/EX AFF

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. VINCENT SIVAS TO
SERVE AS THE FSM AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND
PLENIPOTENTIARY TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

MARCH 09, 2020

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twenty-First Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fourth Special Session, 2020

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on External Affairs, to which was referred C.R.
No. 21-115 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. VINCENT
SIVAS TO SERVE AS THE FSM AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND
PLENIPOTENTIARY TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this resolution are expressed in its
title.

Your Committee reviewed the qualifications of this nominee
extensively. The nominee is highly educated. The nominee has
served at the FSM Embassy in Beijing, China, as Deputy Chief of
Mission since 2015, and he had competently served in this
capacity to advance the national interest of the Federated
States of Micronesia.

The nominee holds a Bachelor of Arts degree major in
International Studies from the Willamete University in Oregon,
USA. He also has a Masters of Strategic Studies from Australian
National University in Canberra, Australia.

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Your Committee is mindful that this is a critical time for our Nation in the arena of international affairs. It would greatly benefit our Nation to have strong leadership for its overseas diplomatic missions. He already proven himself to have the level of expertise regarding the policy issues that comes only with many years of international relations and diplomacy experience.

The nominee is well known for his efforts to promote the Federated States of Micronesia, and he is also known for the diligence in assisting our FSM students in China, as well as, his hard work within the Department. Your Committee has not received any subsequent communication that would cast doubt on the performance or integrity of the nominee.

The Committee is very satisfied with the nominee's performance, competency and integrity. Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes that the nominee should be confirmed, and so recommends that Mr. Vincent Sivas to be confirmed as the FSM Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the People's Republic of China.

Your Committee wishes to offer the following amendment to the resolution:

1. Page 1, line 15, delete "Third Regular Session", and insert "Fourth Special Session" in lieu thereof.

Your Committee on External Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 21-115, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 21-115, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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