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A RESOLUTION

Ratifying an amendment to the Convention establishing the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency.

1           WHEREAS, the Convention establishing the South Pacific Forum Fisheries  
2 Agency was adopted on July 10, 1979, by all of the Governments comprising  
3 the South Pacific Forum: Australia, the Cook Islands, Fiji, the Republic  
4 of Kiribati, the Republic of Nauru, Niue, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea,  
5 the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Western Samoa; and

6           WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia ratified  
7 the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency Convention by Congressional  
8 Resolution No. 2-106 adopted November 1, 1982; and

9           WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia has deposited the duly  
10 executed Instrument of Accession to the Convention establishing the South  
11 Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency with the designated depository Government  
12 of the Solomon Islands, thereby formally acceding to the Convention; and

13           WHEREAS, the Forum Fisheries Committee at its eighth meeting agreed  
14 that the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency Convention should be  
15 amended to provide that Agency salaries be exempt from taxes in the same  
16 manner as provided in the Agreement establishing the South Pacific Bureau  
17 for Economic Cooperation; and

18           WHEREAS, the amendment adds a new paragraph 4 to Article VIII of the  
19 Convention which said new paragraph reads:

20                   "All staff of the Agency who are not nationals of Solomon  
21 Islands shall be accorded exemption from taxes in respect of  
22 salaries received from the Agency."; and

23           WHEREAS, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia has  
24 recommended ratification of the amendment; now, therefore,

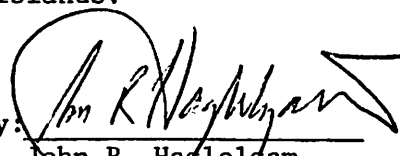
25           BE IT RESOLVED by the Third Congress of the Federated States of

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1 Micronesia, First Special Session, 1983, that the Congress hereby  
2 ratifies the amendment to the Convention establishing the South Pacific  
3 Forum Fisheries Agency as set forth above; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution  
5 be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia,  
6 the Secretary of the United States State Department, and the High  
7 Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

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9 Date: 8/26/83

Introduced by:   
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