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.

WHEREAS, it has been widely reported that Japan intends to
ship plutonium and other dangerous substances from France through
the Pacific Ocean to Japan; and

WHEREAS, plutonium is a radioactive element and is one of the
most toxic and lethal substances known; and

WHEREAS, plutonium remains deadly for many tens of thousands of
years; and

WHEREAS, a leakage or spillage of plutonium or other dangerous
substances from a ship traveling through or adjacent to the
territorial waters of the Federated States of Micronesia would wreak
havoc with the environment and present a serious threat to the
citizens of the Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Congress of the Federated
States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 1992, that the Congress
hereby respectfully requests 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution
be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of
Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs, the
Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, the Governors of the
States of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speakers of the
State legislatures of the Federated States of Micronesia, and the
President of the Senate of the Chuuk State Legislature.

Date: 10-30-92

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