



10th Micronesian Chief Executives' Summit

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Health Committee (HC)

Governor Camacho presented a proposal calling for the creation of a Micronesian Regional Health District, which would address health systems challenges regionally, through USAPI partnerships for funding, coordination, and policy. The proposal was well-received and the MCES signed a Memorandum of Understanding implementing the proposal. The FSM reported on its successful efforts to control Multiple Drug Resistant Tuberculosis in Chuuk State.

The Health Committee made the following recommendations which the Chief Executives endorsed as follows:

1. Policy – That the PIHOA develop a body of regional health policies that reflect Pacific needs, capacities and values and that provides a unified voice to guide the development of health systems in the region. It was also recommended that PIHOA begin by drafting : (1) a policy clarifying the role of preventive and primary care in USAPI health systems development; and (2) a consultation policy identifying principles of engagement for donors, NGOs and USAPI, as they work together to allocate resources, set priorities, and undertake local and regional health initiatives.

2. Data – That donor agencies, including U. S. federal agencies and non-governmental organizations, work with the USAPI and USAPI regional health bodies to help establish, among all partners, common standards for health data, including: 1) a minimum health data set that is consistent with Pacific priorities, values, and capacities; 2) a minimum standard for investment in health information systems to ensure that each Pacific jurisdiction has the infrastructure needed to provide basic health data accurately and efficiently; and 3) protocols and agreements for the sharing of health data among Pacific jurisdictions and partners. It was further asked that the PIHOA propose an appropriate communications protocol for mitigating the potential negative impact of patients with infectious diseases who migrate among Pacific states and territories.

3. Finance – It is recommended that relevant U. S. Federal Agencies and the U. S. Congress strengthen the systems of health care finance in the USAPI by: 1) making Medicaid reimbursement in the three Pacific Territories equitable to Medicaid reimbursement in the U.S.; and 2) making the FAS eligible for benefits under the Denton Amendment, which gives the U. S. DoD the authority to use extra space on U. S. military cargo aircraft to transport donated equipment and supplies for humanitarian relief. It was further recommended that PIHOA propose effective strategies for strengthening systems of health care financing among the USAPI and, that PIHOA meet with the office of Senator Daniel Inouye to discuss the most effective strategies for ensuring stable funding for the Pacific Island Health Care Project at Tripler Army Medical Center, which provides essential tertiary care for qualifying USAPI patients.

4. Human Resources for Health – It was recommended that the PIHOA continue reporting on progress made on its health workforce development initiatives, particularly on establishing a nursing school in the FSM. It was also recommended that PIHOA propose, by the 11th MCES, strategies to encourage and facilitate the sharing of human resources among the USAPI during times of crisis and emergency.

5. Laboratory – It was recommended that the MCES commend the Pacific Command and Navy Medicine West for their interest in addressing the need for a Regional Level 2 Reference Lab in Micronesia at Guam Naval Hospital, and that PIHOA continue working with the U. S. CDC and the U. S. DoD to help make this a reality.

6. Planning and Evaluation – It was recommended that public health planning be established as a high priority to ensure that scarce resources are effectively allocated in ways that are consistent with Pacific values, needs and capacities. It was specifically recommended that PIHOA and its partners; 1) find resources to strengthen local health department capacity to understand and undergo public health planning; 2) continue to encourage the U. S. Institute of Medicine to undertake a new assessment of Pacific health, to help establish a better foundation of data on which to base local planning; and 3) continue to encourage U. S. Federal agencies and the U. S. Congress to fully fund the

Pacific Emergency Health Initiative, to provide technical assistance and support for the development of emergency preparedness plans and capacity in the USAPI.

7. Health Committee Secretariat – It was recommended that the PIHOA be appointed as the Secretariat for the Health Committee of the Micronesian Chief Executives Summit, to improve continuity and accountability for the health-related priorities and directives of the Chief Executives.

The Chief Executives expressed their deep and heartfelt appreciation to: 1) the U. S. DoD, U. S. Public Health Service and the U. S. Embassy in the FSM for the humanitarian work of the U. S. Naval Hospital Ship USNS Mercy, which treated over 16,000 patients and made substantial upgrades to health care and education equipment and facilities in the FSM; 2) the Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands, the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, the WHO, the Hawaii State DOH, the U. S. CDC, and the DOI, for assisting Chuuk State, FSM, with controlling an outbreak of Multiple-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis; and 3) U. S. Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, for convening the September 2008 Insular Area Health Summit in Honolulu, which brought together for the first time U. S. API Chief Executives and top leadership of the DoD, Health and Human Services, Veterans Affairs and DOI to improve health care in the USAPI.

Regional Energy Committee (REC)

Since the 9th MCES held in Palau, the Regional Energy Committee (REC) moved ahead with the directives of the Chief Executives by organizing a subsequent meeting in Guam, which was held August 4-5.

At the Guam meeting there was progress made in three areas, namely (1) formalizing the REC through the appointment of two regional members from each jurisdiction; (2) the establishment of a regional energy association through a vote and unanimous agreement by the official REC members; and (3) the identification and securing of funding to support the REC in its growth and development.

Each of the member states has also made progress toward developing a regional energy policy by working on national energy policies and medium term action plans, which will serve as parts of a broader, more integrated regional energy plan. The provision of funding by each jurisdiction to hold quarterly REC meetings is still an item to be fully discussed and decided upon.

The Regional Energy Committee (REC) recommended the following to the MCES:

1. To fully support and endorse the provisional establishment of a regional energy association as directed by the 9th MCES and implemented by the formal REC, with the suggested name of Micronesia Energy Association (MEA) for the purpose of soliciting technical assistance and funding for regional energy issues.
2. The establishment of a permanent Secretariat of the MEA. FSM and Palau have volunteered to host or co-host the permanent secretariat of the MEA while the REC members have agreed that the FSM act as the interim secretariat for the MEA until a permanent one is established. The FSM and RMI have volunteered to take the lead in developing the enabling documents of the MEA (i.e. Charter, By-Laws, Operational Budget, etc.) with the other jurisdictions' collaborative input.
3. Have the three FAS look at funding support from the E. U. under EDF 10 and other sources.
4. Direct the development and implementation of a regional sustainable Energy Policy via the MEA that will immediately begin a Regional Capacity Building program in the areas of RE and EE. In coordination with the energy offices/division and utilities of each member, this Energy Policy should promote joint regional awareness campaigns,

immediately initiate a regional feasibility study and assessment on different potential Renewable Energy sources in the region, including wind mapping, ocean energy and solid waste energy. This Policy should also recommend mainstreaming Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency design and consideration into all future infrastructure and development projects in the region.

5. To continue collaborative regional efforts in establishing a consistent bulk fuel purchasing strategy for the region and identify a jurisdiction with the capacity to serve as a regional fuel farm hub.

Exmar Offshore Co. made a presentation on natural gas as an alternative or supplement to petroleum products for cleaner and more economical energy for the region. The Chief Executives recognized the great potential for natural gas in the region and directed their respective energy offices and the regional energy committee to further discussions with Exmar on this energy option.

Nippon Oil presented other alternative energy technologies including fuel cell systems, solar photovoltaic systems.

The Chief Executives endorsed these recommendations.

Solid Waste Management - Pacific Islands Regional Recycling Initiative Council (PIRRIC)

The Pacific Islands Regional Recycling Initiative Council (PIRRIC) reported that a regional collaborative effort has gained momentum. The recycling projects initiated in the State of Kosrae funded through the UNDP and the technical assistance project accorded to the Republic of Palau by the Japanese Government has provided greater opportunity to gather further support. The recent efforts of PIRRIC has brought a new level of cooperation to the promotion of environmental perspectives in the public-private partnerships designed to remove metallic waste from the islands.

PIRRIC has identified an on-going tire removing project conducted in Saipan and the Republic of Palau where these materials will be shipped to Vietnam. Recent global economic problems may constraint this project, however this is an excellent opportunity to integrate these projects and provide an opportunity for the other island nations to consolidate for a regional partnership, as a combined endeavor will prove beneficial to the region.

PIRRIC also reported that one of its goals, the creation of a Comprehensive Regional Solid Waste Action Plan, can be developed using the recently completed National Solid Waste Management Plan of the Republic of Palau as an example.

It was also reported that other significant waste management efforts were realized in the recent deployment of a SWM consultant from the Republic of Palau to Kosrae to assist in the final inspection of a landfill leachate containment and a collaborative scrap metal removal project between Palau's Solid Waste Management Office and Chuuk EPA.

To fortify and facilitate the development of necessary policy support to establish the functions essential for the permanent establishment of the "Micronesia Center for a Sustainable Future" (MCSF), the Chief Executives directed PIRRIC to continue to develop sources for policy and financial support for the MCSF.

At the 9th MCES, the Chief Executives endorsed the policies and proposals embedded in Guam Resolution No. 140, which endorsed a permanent Micronesia Center for a Sustainable Future. The Chief Executives in line with the recommendations of the Resolution, appointed the President of Palau to act as Interim Secretariat to establish the new Center. This appointment was re-affirmed by the 10th MCES. President Remengesau, under this mandate, appointed a strategic Design and Planning Team and directed them to develop a business plan for the proposed center. The business plan, known as the Strategic Development Plan, has been completed and presented to each jurisdiction.

The Chief Executives endorsed: (1) the Strategic Development Plan; (2) implementation of the Plan by the Interim Secretariat and the Design Team; (3) continue to identify and secure short and long term funding options for the Center. Leaders noted that the Center will become a resource center for excellence, with a primary focus on the North Pacific sustainable development priorities. The Center is intended to work with the Pacific Islands Forum and CROP agencies to strengthen the region as a whole. It was agreed that the Center will assist and complement national development strategies.

Regional Tourism Committee (RTC)

The Committee updated the MCES on the recommendations made during the 9th MCES. Most of the recommendations are pending or in the process of being implemented. The interest of the RTC, shared by PATA Micronesia Chapter, is in promoting Micronesia as one region and one destination, establishing networking and partnership amongst the jurisdictions. PATA Micronesia Chapter has held quarterly meetings in Chuuk, Pohnpei, Yap and Palau with a Guam meeting scheduled for December 2008. It is at these quarterly meetings that PATA Micronesia Chapter continues to pursue regional marketing and promotions. To accomplish this, PATA purchased URL addresses and established a weblink to www.micronesiamarketplace.com.

The PATA Micronesia Chapter commenced the procurement process for retaining a professional PR Agency to develop regional awareness and image message. The agency's responsibilities will include, identifying a regional branding strategy, generating and issuing press releases to various media outlets worldwide, developing press kits, conducting sales calls and seminars for media outlets and travel agents and coordinating with PATA Micronesia Chapter's Marketing Committee on regional activities, programs, and events.

The Action Plan for the respective National Tourism and State Tourism Offices includes the following:

- Securing funding in FY2010 to FY2012 Budgets, for the Public Relations Agency to accomplish a regional awareness campaign;
- Providing the necessary information for the development of media press kits, press releases, calendar of events, special packages, etc.; and
- Hosting media and travel agent familiarization tours to include sponsoring accommodations, meals, optional tours, etc., as well as solicitation of airlines to sponsor air transportation

On regional marketing and promotions, the RTC continues to participate in a number of on-going annual tradeshow, exhibitions and events to showcase Micronesia as a region.

RTC announced that Palau, Yap and Guam have produced "Destination eGuides" (electronic brochures) for their respective islands. To reduce the cost of paper marketing and promotional materials, RTC strongly encourages the national and state tourism offices of the other jurisdictions to produce their "Destination eGuides". The endorsement and financial support of the Chief Executives for this project was requested.

RTC recognized PATA Micronesia Chapter's initiatives on identifying the need for training for the betterment of the tourism industry. The following were suggested:

- Mandate that each National and State Tourism Office that is hosting the Chapter's quarterly meeting conduct 1 to 2 trainings for their respective islands;
- Create a list of available trainers in the region as well as a list of needed training; and
- Development of training calendars

The RTC identified its next challenges to include climate change, maximizing the presence of the Micronesia Region on the worldwide web, and encouraging other forms of tourism such as cruise ships and promoting Cultural Tourism.

The Tourism Committee made the following recommendations to the 10th MCES:

1. That there be an endorsement of a policy of Regional Cultural Tourism where the Chapter Members are encouraged to promote cultural tourism in each jurisdiction.
2. That the **Magnificent Micronesia Website** (www.magnificentmicronesia.com) that was recently acquired, be supported by all jurisdictions through the submission of their proportionate share of the costs for the website, ideally by the end of the year.
3. The regional awareness campaign has yet to be developed since funding has not been secured by all the Chapter members. The RTC is recommending that the Chief Executives assist in securing funds for this regional campaign as per the 9th MCES. Costs are estimated on a per capital basis.

Micronesia Regional Invasive Species Council (RISC)

The development and endorsement of the RISC Five-Year Strategic Plan in March 2007 has given the RISC clear direction through 2011. Cooperation with other national, regional, and global organizations, including the U.S. National Invasive Species Council (US-NISC), Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG), Pacific Invasive Learning Network (PILN), Secretariat for the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP), and Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) is essential to continued progress.

RISC made the following recommendations to the 10th Micronesian Chief Executives' Summit, which were adopted:

- The Chief Executives direct the RISC to provide additional information to the Global Invasive Species Programme (GISP) as requested by their Executive Director, to demonstrate progress in the effort to combat invasive species.
- The Chief Executives authorize the RISC to share the Statement of Commitment to Combat Invasive Species as appropriate to demonstrate their commitment to this effort.
- The Chief Executives agree to identify, in writing to the Chair of the RISC, two representatives to RISC from each state and national jurisdiction by the end of 2008.
- The Chief Executives agree to continue to send their RISC representatives to two meetings per year, between Summits, to collaborate on invasive species issues and priorities.
- The Chief Executives reaffirm their commitment to provide a minimum of \$2,500 from each jurisdiction to fund RISC's priority projects, once the RISC bank account has been opened.
- The Chief Executives reaffirm their commitment to provide a permanent and full-time Invasive Species Coordinator for each jurisdiction.
- The Chief Executives commit to instruct MCES coordinators to provide a contact list of the other committees to the Chair of the RISC and to designate a "MCES Facilitator" to aid communication between MCES sub-committees at the end of the Summit. The Chief Executives also agree to instruct the PIRRIC subcommittee to collaborate with Lisa Fiedler from JGPO in explore military and regional coordination of invasive species protocols.
- The Chief Executives sign a letter to the Continental Air Micronesia CEO welcoming his response to their previous letter requesting the development of an in-flight video reflecting the importance of preventing unwanted invasive species introductions into the islands of Micronesia, and agreeing to a small group meeting to make progress on this and other public awareness efforts in cooperation with Continental.

- The Chief Executives sign a letter to United States Department of Defense requesting that plans for biosecurity related to the military buildup in Guam and the CNMI include elements to protect the Freely Associated States of Micronesia.
- The Chief Executives sign a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture requesting support for Guam's efforts to eradicate the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle.
- The Chief Executives sign a letter to Konrad Englberger, in light of his coming retirement in December, thanking him for his outstanding contributions to the Micronesian effort to combat invasive species, particularly through strengthening of biosecurity and invasive species task forces in the region.

Pacific Workforce Investment Workgroup (PWIW)

The Pacific Workforce Investment Workgroup (PWIW) reported that it held its organizing and technical meetings on November 18-19, 2008. The PWIW Host Chair (FSM) convened the two sessions welcoming the participating members representing each of the jurisdictions. The key discussions covered the development of the RWDC bylaws, importance of workforce data collection, aligning practical regional workforce initiatives and building stronger collaboration across all key public and private sector partners. Other discussions included the importance of addressing computer literacy training and the importance of financial literacy education.

The Chief Executives approved the RWDC Bylaws as developed by the PWIW workgroup session with allowances for periodic updates as needed by RWDC and PWIW. They further adopted an action plan that incorporated Regional Workforce Action plan strategies:

Strategy 1: *Implement the RWDC Pilot Data Initiative*

Strategy 2. *Regional Entrepreneurship/Enterprise Initiative*

Strategy 3. *Implement Pilot Workforce Readiness Credentialing System*

Strategy 4. *Develop A Regional Workforce Pipeline Development Initiative*

Strategy 5. *Regional Communications RWDC/PWIW Plan*

Strategy 6. *Computer and Financial Literacy Initiative*

Strategy 7. *Succession Planning Initiative* (replacement of key staff and mentoring of junior staff)

Transportation (Transportation Committee)

The Transportation Committee provided the MCES with up-dates on the status of the recommendations made at the MCES in Palau on April 25-26, 2008, the status of AIP projects in the FSM and its recommendations on the way forward.

On the issue of Immigration Clearance procedures for FSM ports of call, the Committee's assessment is that the geographic composition of the nation appears to require multiple clearances for their border security. Additionally, these clearances are a requirement of FSM Immigration Laws and until those laws are amended, the individual requirements of calling at each state must be observed.

It was previously suggested that there be discussion with US Dept. of Homeland Security to obtain financial assistance under the International Port Security Program to improve security infrastructure in the Member States. It has been learned that it is necessary for all Freely Associated States international port facilities and the vessels calling at those

ports must be ISPS compliant before such financial assistance may be requested. The FSM, RMI and ROP through the Micronesia Shipping Commission (MSC) have adopted amendments to the MSC Treaty to incorporate such a requirement. Ratification of the amendment by the three respective legislative bodies is to be promoted by the Chief Executives.

Continuing with the issue of pilotage, it was learned that all commercial vessels entering the ports throughout the region are required to have a pilot on board. The FSM has regulations setting minimum training and qualification requirements which are in line with the IMO STCW Convention. In consideration of the fact that there are very few properly certified and trained harbor pilots in the FSM, the Chief Executives approved a training program for the upgrading of pilots and new pilots be implemented to ensure that all ports have available certified and trained harbor pilots.

The Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) reauthorization Bill for Airport Improvement Projects is still with US Congress, most likely awaiting the next US Administration, however the US Congress has approved an extension of the FAS eligibility for AIP Grants from September 2008 to March 2009. The Chief Executives endorsed continued support for FSM eligibility for AIP Funding and sent a letter to President Bush to that effect.

The Micronesia Challenge

The Micronesia Challenge Steering Committee reported to the Chief Executives on the progress that has been made to implement the Micronesia Challenge (MC). The presentation was based upon progress made collectively and separately across the MC jurisdictions since the 9th Micronesia Chief Executives Summit held in Palau in April 2008.

The 10th Micronesia Chief Executives Summit recognized the MC as a model for an effective joint country strategy which brings the Micronesia region together to address issues of common interest relating to Climate Change and Biodiversity conservation.

The Chief Executives, pursuant to the following recommendations of the Micronesia Challenge Steering Committee, :

- Recommend high level commitment for sustainable financing to secure current pledges and other international funding opportunities
- Recognize the MC as a key adaptation strategy at UNFCCC COP 14 – Poznan, Poland December 2008
- Support RMI bid for Pacific Climate Change Roundtable Meeting and AOSIS in 2009
- Direct that each of the jurisdictions work with the climate change focal points to build in MC as the key strategy for climate change community activities across Micronesia

The Chief Executives congratulated the SC on its efforts to move the MC forward and endorsed the implementation of the next steps identified by the SC for the following year, which include the following:

- Signing of the Intergovernmental Organization Agreement by the Chief Executives at the 10th MCES.
- Regional Office established in Palau
- Annual jurisdictional contributions for the Regional Office deposited into the MCRO bank Account.
- Memorandum of Understandings signed between MCT and remaining jurisdictions
- Jurisdictional fund disbursement mechanisms established for the remaining jurisdictions.
- Regional fundraising plan completed.
- Jurisdictions to complete sustainable finance plans.
- 10-year Business Plan Terms of Reference completed.

Telecommunications Committee

The WG-TEL held a fruitful and very informative exchange. A report was submitted by the Telecommunications Committee of the MCES with several recommendations resolutions. The topics included (1) the status of the Submarine Fiber Optic Cable Projects in the Region (including loan and contract approvals for these projects), (2) liberalization of the market for telecommunication services; (3) participation in National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA); (4) Disaster Communications; (5) the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and its contributions to the region in the areas of education; (6) recognition of PEACESAT activities; (7) and the Government of Japan satellite project “KIZUNA” or “WINDS.”

The Telecommunications Committee assembled group submitted to the MCES the following recommendations which were endorsed by the Chief Executives:

- MCES endorse the recommendation that carriers in the region provide disaster communications capability and an electronic messaging system to warn Micronesians of potential disasters. It is also requested that the MCES also call for Telecommunications policymakers and regulators to assist in organizing the efforts of the disaster managers and carriers to ensure that such a capability is in place and operational.
- MCES endorse the recommendation that strong encouragement be sent to the U.S. to allow the Micronesian countries to participate in the NECA on an “opt in” or “opt out” basis.
- MCES send thanks to the Government of Japan for selecting the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau to participate in WINDS satellite experiments and request the expeditious deployment of the satellite earth stations and that the experiments provide for continuous active phase array links with the University of Hawaii.
- MCES recognize and express the appreciation of the regional leaders for the work that the Sasakawa Peace Foundation has done to promote digital opportunities in the Micronesian Region and urge continued support for the program.
- MCES acknowledge the contributions of the PEACESAT to the region, and the University of Guam and University of Hawai'i PEACESAT programs, and endorse letters of appreciation to the University of Guam, University of Hawaii, Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Delegate Madeline Bordallo, and Delegate Eni Faleomavaega.

Brief presentations were made by Digicell regarding potential private sector management opportunities for national telecommunication industries, and Rural Internet Communication System on opportunities through the SPC for telecommunication services to rural areas in the Pacific Islands and the supply of laptops to school children.

Conclusion


The Eleventh Summit of the Micronesian Chief Executives will be held in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The Chief Executives expressed their pleasure at the first full representation of the Chief Executives with the formal seating of Governor Wesley Simina of Chuuk, his first such Summit. The Micronesia Chief Executives Summit now includes both the Western and Eastern islands of Micronesia.

Governor Fitial of the CNMI once again discussed the draft letter given to the MCES Secretariat Staff to review and transmit to the other leaders for the purpose of supporting the CNMI in its displeasure with the United States for designated a federal Marine Monument in the northern islands of the CNMI without a process that would allow for the leaders of the CNMI to voice their concerns and opposition to such a designation. President Remengesau asked for a clarification on whether it was the process or the outcome that was the problem. After discussion it was agreed that the

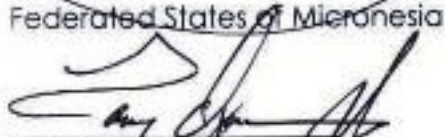
Chief Executives would support a letter to the US with language to the effect that while the merits of the designation may be debatable, the unilateral process by which the US made the Marine Monument designation is unacceptable.

The Chief Executives closed the 10th Summit and once again stressed the need to move forward on prior and new initiatives. They agreed that at an effort to save costs and to further streamline respective committees working ability, the Micronesia President's Summit and the Micronesia Chief Executives Summit would henceforth be held back to back. President Mori stated that certain issues would still need to be discussed only by the President's while others would be delegated to the committees. They all committed to working toward this end.

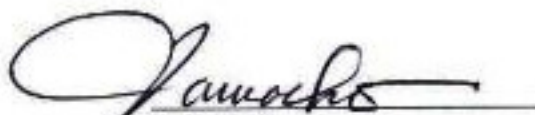
President Mori thanked all of the participants for their attendance and attention to these pressing issues before the Summit.



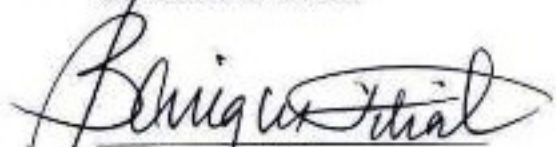
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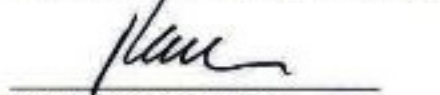
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