



Resolution No. 21-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE 21ST MICRONESIAN CHIEF EXECUTIVES' SUMMIT

Expressing the support of the Micronesian Chief Executives for the Nobel Peace Prize Nomination of former Foreign Minister Tony A. deBrum of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI).

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2016, the International Peace Bureau nominated RMI's former Foreign Minister Tony A. deBrum for the Nobel Peace Prize; and

WHEREAS, RMI was used by the United States as a testing ground for nearly 70 nuclear tests from 1946 to 1958 during the United Nations Trusteeship; and

WHEREAS, the nuclear testing in RMI gave rise to lasting health and environmental problems for the Marshallese; and

WHEREAS, their first-hand experience with nuclear devastation and personal suffering gives legitimacy to their action and makes it especially difficult to dismiss; and

WHEREAS, RMI's former Foreign Minister deBrum has taken a courageous stand in opposing nuclear weapons proliferation and seeking justice for nuclear survivors over the course of many years; and

WHEREAS, RMI's former Foreign Minister deBrum has played a key political role in gaining international support and approval for this initiative; and

WHEREAS, RMI's former Foreign Minister deBrum has already received at least two distinguished international prizes for their action; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executives recognize the significance of the efforts of RMI's former Foreign Minister deBrum to the long-term peace and security of the Micronesian region and the rest of the world; and

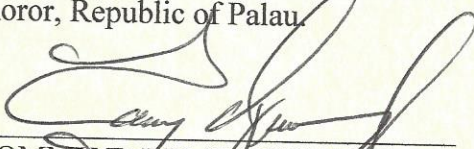
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the 21st MCES, Koror, Republic of Palau, that the Micronesian Chief Executives express their strong support for the International

Peace Bureau's nomination of former Foreign Minister Tony A. deBrum for the Nobel Peace Prize; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the MCES utilize its influence to leverage support for this nomination from its bilateral and multilateral partners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the Committee of the Nobel Peace Prize, Council of Pacific Island Traditional Leaders, and all of the respective Legislative and Judicial Branches of the MCES.

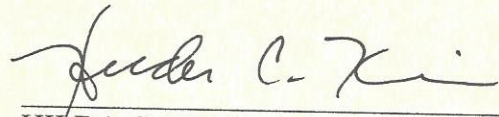
Signed this 24th Day of February, 2016 at the 21st Micronesian Chief Executives' Summit in Koror, Republic of Palau.



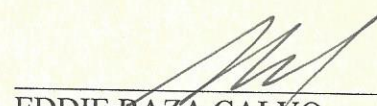
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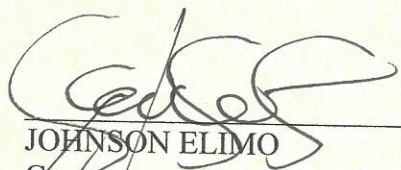
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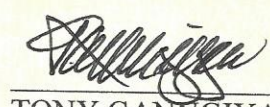
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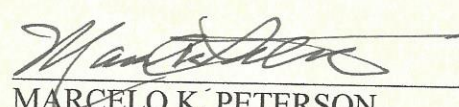
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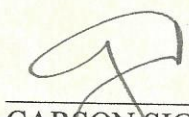
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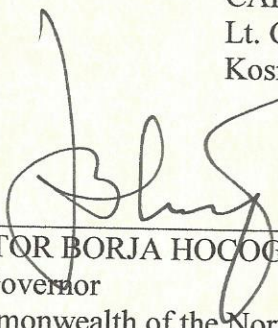
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