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(ENIWETOK TRANSFER DELAYED)

SAIPAN, JAN. 9 (MNS)---TRUST TERRITORY OFFICIALS HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT AT THE REQUEST OF THE MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION, THE SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS TO EFFECT THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OVER ENIWETOK ATOLL IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN DELAYED.

THE TRANSFER WAS TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1973, ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT INITIALLY MADE JOINTLY BY AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS AND THE HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD E. JOHNSTON IN MAY OF 1972. THE

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ATOLL HAS BEEN UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE MILITARY-OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED A U.S. AIR FORCE BASE--SINCE SHORTLY AFTER WORLD WAR TWO.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE SAID THAT AN INSTRUMENT OF TRANSFER HAS BEEN READY FOR SIGNATURE, AT LEAST AS FAR AS THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND THE IT ADMINISTRATION ARE CONCERNED, SINCE BEFORE DECEMBER 31. HOWEVER JAMES LECHE, AN ATTORNEY FOR MLSC IN MAJURO, HAS ASKED THAT THE TRANSFER BE DELAYED UNTIL CONSULTATIONS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK CAN BE COMPLETE. AS SOON AS THEY INDICATE THEIR AGREEMENT WITH THE LANGUAGE OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT, THE SIGNING CAN TAKE PLACE. A U.S. NAVY REPRESENTATIVE ON GUAM HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO REPRESENT THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, AND PRESUMABLY THE FORMAL SIGNING CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE ON SAIPAN.

THE TRANSFER OF ENIWETOK TO TRUST TERRITORY CONTROL WILL MARK AN IMPORTANT OFFICIAL STEP TOWARD THE EVENTUAL RETURN OF THE PEOPLE FROM THEIR PRESENT HOME ON UJELANG TO THEIR HOME ISLANDS. LIKE THE PEOPLE OF BIKINI, THE ENIWETOKESE WERE RELOCATED FOLLOWING THE WAR SO THAT THEIR ATOLL COULD BE USED BY THE U.S. FOR THE TESTING OF ATOMIC WEAPONS. A

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REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR ENIWETOK IS IN THE PLANNING STAGES.

(WON PAT TO VISIT YAP/PALAU)

SAIPAN, JAN. 9, (MNS)---ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE U.S. HOUSE INTERIOR SUB-COMMITTEE ON TERRITORIAL AND INSULAR AFFAIRS WHO VISITED SAIPAN AND TINIAN IN THE MARIANAS THIS WEEK HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO VISIT PALAU AND YAP DISTRICTS.

ANTONIO B. WON PAT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM GUAM, WILL FLY TO KOROR, PALAU THURSDAY (JAN. 9) AND FROM KOROR TO YAP ON SATURDAY, RETURNING TO GUAM MONDAY, JANUARY 14. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED ON THE TRIP BY ADRIAN WINKEL, STAFF CONSULTANT TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

"WITH WON PAT'S VISIT TO THE DISTRICTS OF YAP AND PALAU, AND WITH THE UPCOMING VISIT OF REPRESENTATIVES MINK AND MEEDS TO TRUK, PONAPE AND THE MARSHALLS, ALL SIX DISTRICTS WILL HAVE HAD SOME VISITATION BY MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE," SAID N. NEIMAN CRALEY, JR., THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS. PRIOR TO DELEGATE WON PAT'S ANNOUNCEMENT THERE HAD BEEN NO PLANS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO VISIT YAP OR PALAU.

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