

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 14-98

SUBJECT: GOODS AND SERVICES

MAY 12, 2006

The Honorable Peter M. Christian  
Speaker  
Fourteenth Congress  
Fourth Regular Session, 2006

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means has received from the National Oceanic Resource Management Authority a communication dated March 15, 2006 for your committee to consider and approve a SPECIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL OCEANIC RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA AND FEDERATION OF JAPAN TUNA FISHERIES CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS, NATIONAL OFFSHORE TUNA FISHERIES ASSOCIATION AND NATIONAL OCEAN TUNA FISHERY ASSOCIATION CONCERNING THE SUPPLY OF GOODS AND SERVICES FOR FISHERIES IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA.

This is a type of agreement known as a goods and services agreement. Pursuant to Section 114 of Title 24 of the FSM Code, as amended by Public Law No. 12-34, since Congress is not in session, your committee has the authority to approve or disapprove this agreement.

This is an agreement for fishing entities from Japan to provide \$20,000 in goods and services to the FSM. The National Oceanic Resources Management Authority (NORMA) would like to dedicate the entire sum to purchase office equipment for the new Tuna Commission headquarters. Your committee agrees that it would be beneficial to the nation to have a fully functional office for the Tuna Commission as soon as possible, and this goods and services agreement would be a good source of funds for that purpose. Accordingly your committee hereby approves the above-mentioned goods and services agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Roosevelt D. Kansou

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