

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 16-62

RE: P.C. NO. 16-149/T&C

SUBJECT: FY 2010 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS

FEBRUARY 08, 2010

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker, Sixteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Third Regular Session, 2010

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Transportation and Communications, to which was jointly referred Presidential Communication No. 16-149 transmitting the National Government's proposed FY 2010 supplemental budget requests, begs leave to report as follows:

Presidential Communication No. 16-149 concerns the National Government's proposed Supplemental Budget Request for fiscal year 2010. Pursuant to rule 7, section 6(b), of the Official Rules of Procedure of the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, your Committee has limited its review to those portions of the supplemental budget request relating to matters under its jurisdiction. These are:

- I. The Department of Transportation, Communications & Infrastructure:
  1. Capital and human resource development

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|---|------------|
| (a) FSM Capitol's Rehabilitation          | \$100,000  |
| (b) MS Caroline Voyager Dry-docking       | \$270,000  |
| (c) Infrastructure Maintenance Fund (IMF) | \$\$36,518 |

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Your Committee conducted a hearing with representatives from the Department of Transportation, Communications & Infrastructure, the Department of Finance & Administration, the Department of Justice and the Project Management Unit (PMU). This Standing Committee Report reflects the recommendations of your Committee on Transportation and Communications regarding the proposed FY 2010 supplemental budget requests in the amount of \$406,518.

During the hearing, your Committee requested the Secretary to provide a breakdown of the \$100,000 for the Capitol Rehabilitation. The Secretary indicated that he would submit the breakdown of the \$100,000 to the Committee. In the afternoon of the same day, the Committee received the breakdown of the \$100,000, which is attached to this report for ease of reference. After reviewing and considering the

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purpose of the \$100,000, the Committee recommends the \$100,000 as requested.

On the \$36,518 to supplement the already appropriated \$85,000 for the Infrastructure Maintenance Fund (IMF), your Committee disapproves of the said amount.

On the \$270,000 requested for the MV Caroline Voyager, the Secretary and his staff informed the Committee that the repair of the Caroline Voyager's bow door and ramp is urgent. This request is different than appropriation of \$865,000 for the MS. Caroline Voyager dry-docking. Your Committee recommends the amount of \$270,000 that was requested.

The following is an overview of the appropriated amount for the Department of TC&I for FY 2010 and the supplemental funding requests especially under the Capital and Human Resources category.

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CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

|   | FY2010<br>Appropriation  | FY2010<br>Supplemental<br>request | Committee<br>recommends  |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| FSM Capitol's<br>Rehabilitation                     | 0                        | 100,000                           | 100,000                  |
| MS. Caroline<br>Voyager Dry-docking                 | 865,000                  |                                   |                          |
| MS. Caroline<br>Voyager bow door<br>and ramp repair | 0                        | 270,000                           | 270,000                  |
| Infrastructure<br>Maintenance Fund<br>(IMF)         | 85,000                   | 36,518                            | 0                        |
| Total   | \$950,000                | \$406,518                         | \$370,000                |
| Sources of Revenue                                  | Domestic<br>Unrestricted | Domestic<br>Unrestricted          | Domestic<br>Unrestricted |

CONCLUSION

Your Committee on Transportation and Communications has reviewed the proposed FY 2010 supplemental budget requests for the Department. Based upon the information and its deliberations, your Committee recommends appropriation made available each of the sums of the supplemental budget requests for the Department as set forth above in the column entitled "Committee recommends". This amount is from Domestic Unrestricted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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