

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 17-50

RE: C.R. NO. 17-52/EX AFF

SUBJECT: REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT TO OBTAIN  
MEMBERSHIP FOR THE FEDERATED STATES OF  
MICRONESIA IN THE INTERNATIONAL  
ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker, Seventeenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Second Regular Session, 2011

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on External Affairs, to which was referred  
C.R. No. 17-52, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT TO OBTAIN  
MEMBERSHIP FOR THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
IN THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION",

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee realizes the importance of the Federated States of Micronesia in its furthering its citizens' interests regarding migration by participating in international organizations regarding this issue. The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is an internationally respected organization dealing primarily with the promotion of humane management of migration and provision of humanitarian services. Over 100 countries are currently members of the IOM.

Your Committee believes that our country would benefit from joining the IOM. Membership in the IOM would be particularly beneficial to the Federated States of Micronesia regarding its migration issues in Hawaii and Guam, and in disaster management. Therefore, your Committee recommends requesting the President obtain membership for the Federated States of Micronesia in the IOM.

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Your Committee on External Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No.17-52, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paliknoa K. Welly, chairman

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos  
Tiwiter Aritos, vice chairman

/s/ Isaac V. Figir  
Isaac V. Figir, member

/s/ Berney Martin  
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/s/ Tony H. Otto  
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