

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-108

RE: C.R. NO. 18-86/R&D

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT FROM SPC IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$80,022

JANUARY 28, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Third Regular Session, 2014

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Resources and Development, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-86, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$80,000 FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC
COMMUNITY TO FUND THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA'S
HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SURVEY.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the resolution are expressed in its title.

The President has transmitted Congressional Resolution No. 18-86 to Congress through Presidential Communication No. 18-136 on November 5, 2013.

Your Committee held a public hearing on Congressional Resolution No. 18-86 on Friday, January 24, 2014. Your Committee learned that the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) and the FSM Government signed a Memorandum of Understanding to formalize the agreement and the use of a foreign financial assistance in the amount of \$80,022. According to Mr. Mathew Chigiya, who heads the Division of Statistics under the Office of SBOC, the funding is to supplement the work of the Division to complete the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) being implemented by the Office of SBOC. The HIES project is

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to acquire through systematic survey and the studying of high quality information, data recording income, expenditure, and related information across the Nation that are essential in identifying policy options and in formulating economic decisions for the Nation.

Your Committee was informed that the FSM Congress had previously appropriated an amount of \$167,345 for the same HIES project. The specific funding from SPC, as indicated herein is to supplement the HIES project.

Your Committee wishes to offer the following amendments to C.R. No. 18-86 as follows:

1. Title, line 1, delete "~~80,000~~", and insert "80,022" in lieu thereof.
2. Page 1, line 3, delete "~~80,000~~" and insert "80,022" in lieu thereof.
3. Page 2, line 4, delete "~~Second Special Session, 2013~~", and insert "Third Regular Session, 2014" in lieu thereof.
4. Page 2, line 5, delete "~~80,000~~", and insert "80,022" in lieu thereof

Recommendations of your committee

Your Committee on Resources and Development is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 18-86 and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-86, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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