

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-249

RE: C.B. No. 18-232/W&M

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR  
RENOVATIONS TO THE WASHINGTON D.C. EMBASSY

NOVEMBER 24, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Fifth Special Session, 2014

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways & Means, to which was referred Congressional Bill No. 18-232, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET OF \$550,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015, BY AMENDING PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-89, TO FUND THE RENOVATION OF THE WASHINGTON D.C. EMBASSY BUILDING, TO CORRECT TECHNICAL ERRORS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this act are expressed in its title.

Your Committee on Ways & Means would like to point out that there was no public hearing on C.B. No. 18-232 as it is Congress' prerogative to hold public hearings.

Your Committee spoke with the Washington D.C. embassy staff on a recent trip to attend the IMF/World Bank annual meetings this past October regarding the status of the embassy building. Your committee also saw the need for renovations first hand while in Washington D.C.

Your Committee believes that any funds appropriated for the renovation of the embassy building in Washington D.C. is a good investment.

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After hearing and seeing the state of dilapidation that the embassy building is in, your committee notes the urgency needed to take action to prevent the incursion of further repair costs.

CONCLUSION

Your Committee has carefully reviewed Congressional Bill No. 18-232. Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 18-232, and recommends its passage on First Reading and that it be placed on the Calendar for Second and Final Reading in the form attached hereto as C.B. 18-232.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Isaac V. Figir  
Isaac V. Figir, chairman

/s/ Peter M. Christian  
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