

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-08

RE: COMMITTEE TO WAIT ON THE PRESIDENT

July 08 2014

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

Dear Mr. Speaker,

Your Committee to Wait on the President, consisting of members Berney Martin, Joseph J. Urusemal, Yosiwo P. George, and Wesley W. Simina, was duly appointed on July 7, 2014. Yosiwo George being designated as the chairman.

The Committee met with President Manny Mori and Vice President Alik L. Alik on July 8, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. Members of the cabinet and key staff also attended the meeting. Chairman George greeted the President and Vice President, members of the cabinet and staff on behalf of Congress and thanked them for the opportunity to meet. Chairman George reported that Congress was in session and was ready to transact business.

The President thanked the Committee for attending prepared. Chairman George and members stated that the priority for this session would be action, if any, regarding the veto of Congressional Acts No. 18-73, 18-76 and 18-75. Also, the members voiced concern regarding the newly adopted Project Control Document as transmitted in Agency Communication No. 18-06 dated June 27, 2014. The President did not offer any additional items that he wished to include as priority items this special session, however, he asked that the Congress take part in 2023 planning as a priority.

Chairman George extended an invitation to the President and his key staff to discuss the above priority issues for this session early this week, prior to action on major measures by the Congress. The President agreed that this was a good idea as there are many issues outstanding, and perhaps some misunderstandings have arisen between the Executive and Congress. Further, the President requested that this meeting be more formal. Staff will coordinate the date and time of the meeting.

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Productive discussions between the President, Vice-President, Executive key staff and members of your Committee to Wait on the President took place over the course of the next 90 minutes. In order to attend our regular Congress session the meeting was concluded at 10:00am. As a result of our time pressure I humbly ask to submit this brief report and an oral recitation during our session today, and to submit a full summary of our meeting to your and all Members of Congress as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Yosiwo P. George
Yosiwo P. George, Chairman

Berney Martin, Member

/s/ Wesley W. Simina
Wesley W. Semina Member

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
Joseph J. Urusemal, Member