

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-57

RE: C.R. No. 19-125/W&M

SUBJECT: APPROVING A \$100,000 GRANT IN GOODS AND  
SERVICES TO ASSIST FISHERIES IN YAP STATE.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Second Regular Session, 2015

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred  
Congressional Resolution 19-125, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING GRANT FROM  
THE KOREA OVERSEAS FISHERIES COOPERATION AGENCY IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 IN GOODS AND SERVICES TO  
ASSIST FISHERIES IN THE STATE OF YAP, INCLUDING  
ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The purpose Congressional Resolution No. 19-125 is to  
approve and accept a grant in the amount of \$100,000 in  
goods and services from the Korea Overseas Fisheries  
Cooperation Agency (KOFCA). This OCEANAID grant from KOFCA  
in goods and services was accompanied by a list of items  
that the recipients may select.

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Your Committee would like to note that the resolution conditions the use of the Goods and Services to fish aggregating devices (FADs), navigation channel markers, boats for the outer islands, beacons, and up to four boats for the Marine Protected Areas in Yap State. Furthermore, your Committee agrees with the condition that prohibits the purchase of vehicles, small fishing equipment (hooks & lures), handheld radios, or handheld GPS devices.

Your Committee would like to emphasize that the use of these goods and services provided by the grant are intended to benefit the State of Yap and its communities as a whole. The Goods and Services are intended to enhance the living standards in Yap through the development of the fisheries and are to be owned by the community. The Goods and Services provided by this grant are not to be owned by an individual or individuals for private use or to be exploited by an individual or individuals at the expense of the community.

Your Committee would like to offer the following amendment to C.R. No. 19-125 to read as follows:

1. Page 1, line 8, delete "section 210(2) of title 55", and insert "Section 114 of title 24" in lieu thereof.

#### CONCLUSION

Your Committee has carefully reviewed Congressional Resolution No. 19-125. Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-125, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 19-125, c.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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