

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-58

RE: C.R. NO. 19-126/W&M

SUBJECT: APPROVING A \$237,631 GRANT FOR GOOD 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 19-126, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$237,631 FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN, TO
FUND THE GOODS AND SERVICES PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 2016 TO ASSIST FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE
OF YAP, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE
ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The purpose Congressional Resolution No. 19-126 is to
approve and accept a grant in the amount of \$237,631 in
goods and services from the Japanese Government. Your
Committee notes that the amount of this grant is
denominated in Yen therefore the conversion rate is
approximate and may fluctuate slightly. This grant is also
subject to a Memorandum of Understanding and the goods are

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to be delivered no later than March 31,2016, unless otherwise specified by the Parties.

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, beacons, and an emphasis on boats for the outer island of Yap State. Furthermore, your Committee would like to point out 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 read as follows:

1. Page 1, line 9, 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. 19-126. Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-126, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto AS C.R. NO. 19-126, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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