

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-95

RE: C.R. NO. 19-166/EX AFF

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. ROGER
S. MORI TO SERVE AS THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF
MISSION AT THE EMBASSY IN JAPAN

FEBRUARY 03, 2016

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Third Regular Session, 2016

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on External Affairs, to which was referred
C.R. No. 19-166, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF
MR. ROGER S. MORI TO SERVE AS THE DEPUTY
CHIEF OF MISSION OF THE FEDERATED STATES
OF MICRONESIA AT THE EMBASSY IN JAPAN.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

On January 18, 2016, the President transmitted the said
resolution to Congress through Presidential Communication
No. 19-239. Attached with the communication is the
nominee's resume.

Your Committee reviewed the qualifications of the nominee
extensively. The nominee previously served in several

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positions at the National Government and Chuuk State Government. Currently, the nominee serves as a Trade and Investment Advisor at the FSM Department of Resources and Development. He was also the Assistant Secretary for the Division of Trade and Investment in the same department. During the 16th and 17th FSM Congresses, he was elected as a Congressman representing Election District No. 2, Chuuk State.

He also served as the President of the Senate during the 2nd and 3rd Chuuk State Legislatures in 1993 to 1997. He was also elected as a Senator during the First Chuuk State Legislature in 1990 to 1993.

The nominee received a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Oregon in 1978. He graduated at the Truk High School in Weno, Chuuk in 1971.

Your Committee conducted a public hearing on the said resolution. Chairman Paliknoa K. Welly chaired the hearing. Your Committee wanted to know how the nominee was approached to take the position. The nominee informed your Committee that it was about two weeks ago when the President asked him if he is interested to serve as the DCM at the FSM Embassy in Japan. That is the time he accepted the offer by the President.

Your Committee has not received any subsequent communication that would cast doubt on the performance or integrity of the nominee.

Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes that the nominee should be confirmed, and so recommends Mr. Roger S. Mori be confirmed to serve as the Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy in Japan.

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Your Committee on External Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-166, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Robson U. Romolow
Robson U. Romolow, vice chairman

/s/ Isaac V. Figir
Isaac V. Figir, member

/s/ Victor V. Gouland
Victor V. Gouland, member

/s/ Berney Martin
Berney Martin, member

/s/ Bonsiano F. Nethon
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/s/ David W. Panuelo
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