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TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MICRONESIA PROGRAM #2

Since my last memo dated 29 September, there have been some developments in the program. These include:

- 1) A preliminary grant application, "Crossing Boundaries: Cross-Cultural Preparation in Graduate and Professional Education", has been submitted to the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education requesting \$123,066 for the period September 1, 1989 through August 31, 1991. If funded, this project would support the creation of a new course, a workbook, a video and an instructor's guide to conducting an experiential course, based on adult-centered learning theory, on cross-cultural adaptation.
- 2) A grant application has been submitted to the Department of Education under the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad program, entitled "University of Oregon-Micronesia Study Abroad Project." Requesting \$80,275 for the period from June 15, 1989 through August 31, 1990, this project would enable up to twenty upper-division undergraduate students to study at the College of Micronesia for a six-week period in the summer of 1990. The project would form the nucleus of an area study emphasis on the Pacific Islands, and students would take courses in Economy of Micronesia, Cultures of Micronesia, Issues and Problems of an Emerging Nation, and Natural Resources Management in Micronesia. In addition to the time spent on Pohnpei, the course would include time in the Marshall Islands where we would be able to examine the lifestyle, problems, issues, and governmental form associated with that country. An additional component of this program is the opportunity to enhance the offerings of the College of Micronesia through joint development and team-teaching of two new courses by faculty from the University of Oregon and the College of Micronesia.
- 3) We are still awaiting the request for technical assistance funds to be submitted from the Federated States of Micronesia to the Department of the Interior, Office of Territorial and International Affairs, Division of Technical Assistance. It is anticipated that the request will be submitted by the middle of November.
- 4) There is considerable support from the College of Micronesia for these programs, including letters included with the grant applications.
- 5) The U.S.I.A. grant applications are being prepared at this time.