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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 407

Re-Focusing the Palau Kraemer Ethnography Translation Committee (KETC)

WHEREAS, the Palau Kraemer Ethnography Translation (KETC) Committee (“the Committee”) was created and organized in accordance with Presidential Directive No. 10-03, dated the 10th of August 2010, as amended by Presidential Directive No. 13-01, dated the 16th of January 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Committee exists to compile, review, translate, and promote the five (5) Kraemer Volumes produced by the Hamburg Sudsee Expedition of 1908-1910, which was funded by the Hamburg Scientific Foundation of Germany; and

WHEREAS, the first phase of the project of the Committee is now completed, with all five (5) Kraemer Volumes, including the two (2) Eilers volumes of the Southwest Islands (“West Carolines”), translated, recorded, and uploaded on the respective websites; and the second phase of text editing and preparing the layout with additional materials and Palauan spelling word lists is in its final stages; and

WHEREAS, the Committee continues to preserve, protect, and promote the Palau collections at the Hamburg Ethnological Museum, Hamburg Scientific Foundation, and other museums in Germany and the world;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Republic of Palau, pursuant to the Constitution and applicable laws of the Republic of Palau, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Members. The Committee shall continue its work with the following members:

- (1) Co-Chair, Hon. Faustina K. Rehuher-Marugg, Minister of State and former Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs;
- (2) Co-Chair, Hon. Baklai Temengil-Chilton, Minister of Community & Cultural Affairs;
- (3) Vice Chair, Olympia E. Morei, Director, Belau National Museum;
- (4) Member, Mandy Etpison, Director, Etpison Museum;
- (5) Member, Thomas Schubert, Honorary German Consul to the Republic of Palau;
- (6) Member, Meked Besebes M.A., Independent Palauan Researcher;
- (7) Member, Dr. Constanze Dupont, Independent German Researcher.



Technical Partners. The Committee shall have the following technical members:

- (1) Member, Representing Hamburg Ethnological Museum, Germany;
- (2) Member, Representing Palau Language Commission Representative to be appointed by Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs; and
- (3) Member, Representing Palauan Studies, Palau Community College.

Duties and Functions. The Committee shall have the following duties and functions:

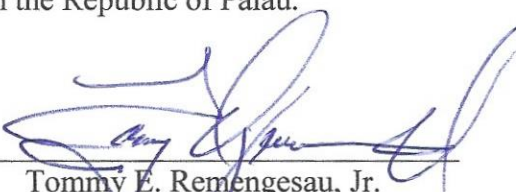
- (1) To continue its efforts on the Kraemer Volumes and related works and its support of education and research for cultural and historical preservation and knowledge;
- (2) To engage with experts in language including translators, academic reviewers, and consultants at academic and non-academic institutions;
- (3) To network with Palauan community leaders and experts for local review of the work of publication and public awareness;
- (4) To establish financial and technical support mechanisms for the Committee from the national government, non-government agencies, fundraising schemes, and partner countries;
- (5) To select and/or invite any member/person to be part of the work of the Committee, as the Committee may deem necessary;
- (6) To ensure that any financial contributions by grant, government allocations, and/or fundraising are used solely for the purposes outlined in the project proposal as agreed upon by the Committee and respective funding entity; and
- (7) To make recommendations to the President of the Republic and other parts of the national government on the delivery of the Kraemer Volumes, the Hamburg Collections, and other associated museum collections and volumes.

Administrative Support. Administrative support to the Committee shall be provided by the Belau National Museum, the office of the Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs, and other government agencies as deemed necessary.

Meetings. The Committee shall meet at least once each calendar month. The next meeting of the Committee shall be called by the Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs and shall be held within thirty calendar days of the signing of this Executive Order.

Term. The Committee is perpetual until rescinded by Executive Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 4th day of December 2017, in the Republic of Palau.



Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.
President of the Republic of Palau