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GOVERNOR OF GUAM

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The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco  
Speaker  
Mina'Bente Kuåttro na Liheslaturan Guåhan  
Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature  
Guam Legislature Temporary Building  
155 Hesler Street  
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Unpingco:

Enclosed please find Substitute Bill No. 573 (LS), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL FUND.", which I have signed into law today as **Public Law No. 24-201**.

Unfortunately, the Off-Island Sports Fund does not allow for the reimbursement of sports trips already taken. This legislation, therefore, since it was passed after several of the competitions have already taken place, and because the appropriation is made to the **Off-Island Sports Fund**, will probably not be available to reimburse those who financed these trips.

Hopefully, I Liheslaturan Guåhan will make some corrective provision for those parents and sponsors who borrowed large sums of money to support the athletes' participation in several of the competitions, on the promise of being reimbursed by this legislation.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]  
Carl T. C. Gutierrez  
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan  
Governor of Guam

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Attachment: copy attached for signed bill  
original attached for vetoed bill

cc: The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown  
Legislative Secretary

Office of the Speaker  
ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO

Date: 5/18/98

Time: 4:55 pm

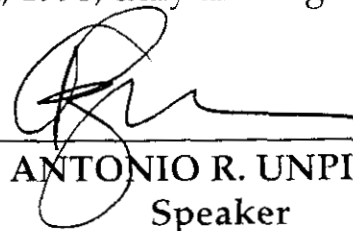
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MINA'BENTE KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN  
1998 (SECOND) Regular Session


CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 573 (LS), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL FUND," was on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1998, duly and regularly passed.




ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO  
Speaker

Attested:



JOANNE M.S. BROWN  
Senator and Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by I Maga'lahaen Guahan this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1998,  
at 10:40 o'clock 9 .M.



Assistant Staff Officer  
Governor's Office

APPROVED:



CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ  
I Maga'lahaen Guahan

Date: 5-8-98

Public Law No. 24-201

**MINA'BENTE KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLÅTURAN GUÅHAN**  
**1998 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Bill No. 573 (LS)**

As substituted by the Committee on  
Finance and Taxation and amended  
on the Floor.

Introduced by:

A. C. Blaz  
A. R. Unpingco  
Mark Forbes  
Felix P. Camacho  
T. C. Ada  
F. B. Aguon, Jr.  
J. M.S. Brown  
Francisco P. Camacho  
M. C. Charfauros  
E. J. Cruz  
W. B.S.M. Flores  
L. F. Kasperbauer  
A. C. Lamorena, V  
C. A. Leon Guerrero  
L. Leon Guerrero  
V. C. Pangelinan  
J. C. Salas  
A. L.G. Santos  
F. E. Santos  
J. Won Pat-Borja

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ONE HUNDRED TEN  
THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL FUND.**

1           **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2           **Section 1.** *I Liheslaturan Guahan* finds that due to Guam's remoteness  
3 from national and international venues for sports competitions, it is extremely  
4 difficult and costly for local sports organization to plan and participate in such  
5 events. Such participation is considered vital and important in fostering the  
6 growth, development and advancement of Guam and the Island's residents in  
7 a national, regional and global environment. It is especially important for the  
8 inspiration and motivation of the youth of Guam to develop their full  
9 potential and excel in competition and leadership roles. The Department of  
10 Parks and Recreation is tasked to facilitate administratively government of  
11 Guam subsidized off-Island sports participation.

12           **Section 2. One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars to the Department of**  
13 **Parks and Recreation.** One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00) is  
14 appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Parks and  
15 Recreation Off-Island Sports Travel Fund to fund off-Island travel and related  
16 expenses as follows:

17           (a) The Guam National Under 16 Soccer Team participation in  
18 the Asian Region Preliminary Round of the Asian Football  
19 Confederation ("AFC") Under 16 Championships in Birgunj, Nepal is  
20 authorized the sum of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00).

21           (b) Participation in the U.S.A. Junior National Volleyball  
22 Championship in Dallas, Texas in July, 1998 is authorized Fifteen  
23 Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

24           (c) Guam Masters Basketball Association ("GUMBA")  
25 participation in the 1997 Australian Masters Games is authorized Thirty-

1 five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00). This prior year appropriation and  
2 allocation will allow GUMBA greater flexibility to fund its current year  
3 off-Island participation.

4 (d) Guam Babe Ruth League participation in the 1998 regional  
5 tournaments is authorized Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).

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INA' BENTE KUÅTRO NA LIHES. TURAN GUÅHAN '
Office of the Vice Speaker
ANTHONY C. BLAZ

- Chairman, Finance & Taxation
- Chairman, Ethics & Standards
- Vice-Chairman, Committee on Rules
- Member, Judiciary, Public Safety & Consumer Protection
- Member, Natural Resources
- Member, Tourism, Economic Development, & Cultural Affairs
- Member, Transportation, Telecommunications & Micronesian Affairs
- Member, Guam Finance Commission
- Member, Commission on Self Determination

April 21, 1998

The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco
Speaker, 24th Guam Legislature
Agana, Guam

Via: Committee on Rules

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Finance & Taxation, to which was referred Bill No. 573(COR): "TO APPROPRIATE ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL FUND," herein reports back with the recommendation TO DO PASS Bill No. 573 as substituted by the committee.

Votes of the committee members are as follows:

- 7 To Pass
- Not to Pass
- To the Inactive File
- Abstained

Sincerely,

[Signature]
ANTHONY C. BLAZ



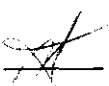
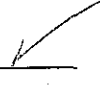
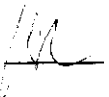

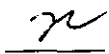









Attachments

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & TAXATION**  
**TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE**  
155 Hesler Street, Agana, Guam 96910

<b>Chairman: Vice Speaker Anthony C. Blaz    Vice Chairman: Senator Mark Forbes</b> <b>Ex-Officio Member: Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco</b>
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**VOTING SHEET ON:**

**Substitute Bill No. 573(COR): "TO APPROPRIATE ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL FUND."**

<u>COMMITTEE MEMBERS</u>	<u>INITIAL</u>	<u>TO</u> <u>PASS</u>	<u>NOT TO</u> <u>PASS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>TO PLACE IN</u> <u>INACTIVE FILE</u>
Sen. Anthony C. Blaz <i>Chairman</i>					
Sen. Mark Forbes <i>Vice-Chairman</i>					
Spkr. Antonio R. Unpingco <i>Ex-Officio Member</i>					
Sen. Thomas C. Ada <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Joanne M.S. Brown <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Mark Charfauros <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Edwardo J. Cruz <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Felix P. Camacho <i>Member</i>					
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Sen. Lawrence F. Kasperbauer <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Alberto A.C. Lamorena, V <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Carlotta A. Leon Guerrero <i>Member</i>					
Sen. John C. Salas <i>Member</i>					
Sen. Francis E. Santos <i>Member</i>					



***Committee on Finance & Taxation***

*Vice Speaker Anthony C. Blaz, Chairman*

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***Committee Report on  
Bill No. 573***

"AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED  
TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND  
SPORTS TRAVEL.



## **Committee on Finance and Taxation**

### **Report on Substitute Bill No. 573**

"AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Pursuant to the requirements of Public Law 24-109, notice of the Public Hearing on Bill No. 573 was sent to all media on Monday, April 6, 1998 and a reminder memorandum was sent on Friday April 10, 1998. Additionally, a public hearing notice was published in the Pacific Daily News on Tuesday, April 7, 1998 and on Sunday, April 12, 1998. Two other closely related bills (587 & 588) were also publicized for the same schedule as Bill 573.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Committee on Finance and Taxation conducted a public hearing on Monday, April 13, 1998 at 10:00 AM in the Vice Speaker's Conference Room to hear testimonies on Bill No. 573, 587 and 588.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

The hearing was called to order by the Chairperson of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, Vice Speaker Anthony C. Blaz. Committee members present were:

Speaker Antonio Unpingco  
Senator Mark Charfauros  
Senator William B.S.M. Flores  
Senator Tom Ada

Other Senators present were:

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

#### **PROVIDING PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON THE BILL:**

Carolyn Santos  
Alan D.M. San Nicolas  
Vince Naputi, Head Coach  
Randall Cunliffe  
John Cruz  
Ray Topasna  
Carl Wagner  
Frank Roberto

#### **BACKGROUND :**

The Department of Parks & Recreation Off-Island Sports Travel Fund is lacking the funds necessary to support requests for travel funding for off-island participants. Funds requested for three off-island events: Asian Region Preliminary Round of the Asian Football Confederation Under 16 Championships in Nepal; U.S.A. Junior National Volleyball Championship in Denver Colorado and the

Australian (Basketball) Masters Games. Off-island participation by sports teams has proven worthwhile and promising especially for Guam's youth.

**FINDINGS:**

Sub Bill 573 will provide nominal funding for off-island participation in the sports of soccer, volleyball, and men's masters basketball. In addition the bill will encourage the island's youth and men's seniors to actively participate in sports.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee, having conducted a sufficient hearing, does hereby recommend to the Legislature **to do pass Substitute Bill 573** "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-ISLAND SPORTS TRAVEL.

*Cunliffe & Cook*

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DATE: April 17, 1998

FILE NO.: GSA

TO: Sen. Anthony C. Blaz, Vice Speaker  
TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
FAX: 472-3562

FROM: F. Randall Cunliffe, Esq.

RE:

BILL NO. 573

COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENTS:

1. Cover Sheet; and
2. Letter from F. Randall Cunliffe, Esq., dated 04-17-98.

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April 17, 1998

VIA TELECOPIER

Senator Anthony C. Blaz, Vice Speaker  
**TWENTY FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE**  
155 Hesler Street  
Agana, Guam 96910

RE: Bill No. 573

Dear Vice Speaker Blaz:

Transmitted herewith please find a re-draft of Bill 573 which appropriate \$35,000.00 for the Guam Under 16 Soccer Team. Pursuant to our testimony, and comments made therein, I have drafted the document to show that the money will be paid to the Guam Football Association rather than to Parks & Recreation.

As I advised you at the public hearing, the team has now left, and will begin competing on the 20th of April, 1998. They are due to return on April 29, 1998. We had to borrow the funds to pay these costs, and need the appropriation in order to repay the loans. If the money is appropriated to Parks & Recreation Travel Fund, we cannot be paid!

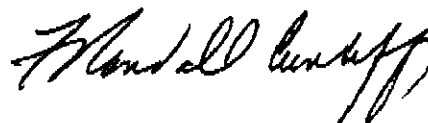
I hope that this can be introduced and passed next week at the session, so that we do not incur significant interest payments in addition to the loan amounts.

I want to thank you again for your support and the support of Senator Unpingco, Senator Francis Santos and your Committee.

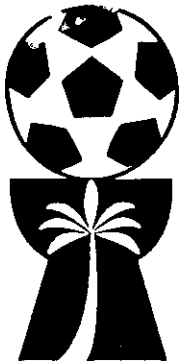
Should there be any questions, please contact Mr. Carl Wegner at 477-5423, or Jeff Cook at the above telephone numbers in my absence.

Sincerely,

**CUNLIFFE & COOK**



F. RANDALL CUNLIFFE



April 9, 1998

**HAND-DELIVER**

Anthony C. Blaz, Vice Speaker and Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND TAXATION  
TWENTY-FOURTH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
155 Hessler Street  
Agana, Guam 96910

**Officers**

Carl Wegner  
President

RE: BILL NO. 573 (LS)

Kun Ho Rhee  
Vice President

Dear Vice Speaker Blaz:

Randall Cuntliffe  
General Secretary

I am grateful to be able to provide you our input with regard to Bill No. 573(LS) which is currently scheduled for public hearing on Monday, April 13, 1998.

Kari Wicklund  
Treasurer

**Directors**

Mike Bordallo  
Mens Soccer

As I know you are aware, Guam Soccer has been improving its performance in the international arena in recent years. The success behind our program has been the dedication and determination, most especially from our youth.

Rob Gregory

The competition which the Under-16 Team will be attending is the Asian Football Confederation's Under-16 Championships, which are the preliminaries to competing in the Under-17 World Championship of FIFA. It is mandatory that one participate in the Under-16 tournaments to be able to participate in next year's Under-17 tournaments. It is also important for our youth to experience these international competitions in order that our programs can expand.

Jeff Cook  
Cups & Games

Kelly Malay  
Women's Soccer

Lucky Sakamoto  
Fundraising

As the legislative findings have so poignantly stated, the travel expenses to Nepal are astronomical and the itinerary to get there difficult at least. It will take our players two (2) full days to get to the site of the competition in Birgunj.

The 1999 South Pacific Games will be upon us in a little more than one (1) year and a number of the players who are participating on the Under-16 Team will likely qualify to participate in the 1999 South Pacific Games. That says a great deal for the quality of the youth teams, and the dedication of the coaches. In order to better prepare these players for the future, our participation in these events is necessary. It is also necessary for Guam to participate in two (2) Asian Football Confederation Tournaments every two (2) years in order to maintain our vote in both AFC and FIFA. Therefore, it is a necessity that we participate twice a year so that our voice may be heard.

Anthony C. Blaz, Vice Speaker and Chairman  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND TAXATION  
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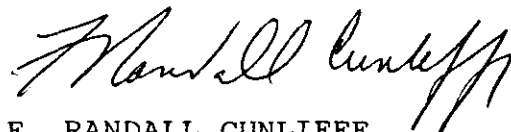
On behalf of the players, coaches and administrators, I wish to commend the legislature, in general, and the sponsors of the bill, in particular, for their foresight and assistance in such programs. The dedication of these senators in understanding that in order to correct many of the social problems that exist we must start with the youth, is rewarding. The soccer program is one of the programs that teaches many important lessons, not the least of which is anti-drug.

I have continually advised so many of our parents to support their children in their endeavors to play soccer, because they have the ability to obtain scholarships in American colleges and university. The cost of higher education is becoming astronomical and any assistance that the kids can provide to their families in bearing those costs enables their families to then send their children to institutions of higher learning. This can only benefit the entire community in the long-run.

Again, I want to thank you and the sponsors of this bill and all of the senators for their support of this legislation. The amount of money that is being offered to assist in this endeavor will reap benefits far beyond the dollar amount invested not only to the individuals participating, but to Guam as a whole.

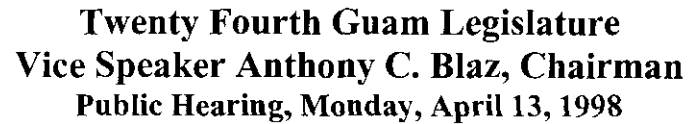
Sincerely,

GUAM FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



F. RANDALL CUNLIFFE  
General Secretary

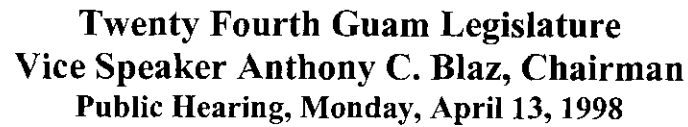
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