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HON. MINISTER DAVID PAUL

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HON. SPEAKER BRENSON S. WASE

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AN ACT to (a) authorize, in accordance with Article VIII Section 8 of the Constitution for Supplemental Appropriations, from the Marshall Islands General, Compact Funds and other donor funds in a total sum of **$49,703,168.00** to meet certain special appropriations and capital expenditures of the Government as set out in Schedule 1 and 2 of this Act;

(b) for delegation of approved expenditure under Article VIII, Section 5, of the Constitution; and

(c) for control on reprogramming and transfer of funds within program areas.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

§101. Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Supplemental Appropriation (Financial Year 2025) Act 2025.

§102. Statement of National Objective.

(1) It is the intention of the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to enact and implement a supplemental appropriation, to authorize certain special appropriations and capital expenditures

over and above that which was authorized by P.L. 2024-12 in the manner set out in the Schedule attached to this Act as Appendix A.

§103. Interpretation.

In this Act:

(1) "program area" means program areas set out in Schedules 1 as indicated by the headings in those schedules.

§104. Appropriation from the Marshall Islands General Fund

A total sum of $38,200,000.00 is hereby appropriated and may be withdrawn from the Marshall Islands General Fund being:

(a) Excess Revenue, a total sum of $1,830,000.00

(b) FY24 Re-appropriation (Haemodialysis and Lapsed Funding), a total sum of $920,000.00

(c) FY25 Reallocation from FY25 P.L.2024-12 Schedule 1 to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, a total sum of $150,000.00

(d) U.S. Treaty (Fisheries), a total sum of $2,000,000.00

(e) ROC Grant, a total sum of $33,000,000.00

(f) World Bank Budgetary Support, a total sum of $300,000.00

§105. Compact Funds.

(1) Total Appropriations.

All Funds provided under the 2023 Compact of Free Association (As amended) in the amount **$11,503,168** shall be credited to the General Fund and shall be appropriated in accordance with the relevant provisions set out under Schedule 1 of this Act.

(2) Restrictions on Reprogramming of Compact Funds.

Fund received under the Compact of Free Association, as amended shall not be transferred to any other activity, or reprogrammed or expended for any purpose during the Financial Year other than the permissible uses of those funds as provided for in the 2023 Compact of Free Association (As Amended) and its Subsidiary Agreements.

(3) Compact Funds shall not lapse.

All moneys received under the 2023 Compact of Free Association, as Amended and appropriated herein shall not lapse at the end of the Financial Year. However any unspent funds, other than infrastructure funds, thereof shall be returned to US Department of Interior to be deposited into Account D of the RMI Trust Fund as stipulated in the 2023 Fiscal Procedures Agreement.

(4) Unaudited entities and organizations.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law or agreement, any entity or organization receiving funds under the 2023 Compact of Free Association as Amended, shall not receive such funding if the Auditor – General or its contractors have determined that the books, accounts and financial records of any such entity or organization have not been auditable for the past three preceding fiscal years until such time as the Auditor – General or its contractor determine that such entity or organization has taken necessary corrective action to render such books, accounts and financial records in an auditable condition to permit a financial audit to proceed.

§105. Funding of the Office of the Auditor –General.

(1) The Secretary of Finance shall withhold and deposit in the special account in the Marshalls Islands General Fund, zero point eight percent (0.8%) of all amounts appropriated in Schedules 1, and the sum so withheld and deposited may be withdrawn and expended by the Auditor–General in accordance with the budget approved for his/her office by the Cabinet, for the operations and activities of his/her office, provided, that such withdrawal and expenditure by the Auditor – General shall be made in consultation with the Secretary of Finance.

§106. Unanticipated Income.

Where, during the Financial Year, an amount of unanticipated income is received by the Government for a specified program area, that amount is appropriated for the corresponding program area in the Schedule as the case may be, and the amount of the appropriation for that program area is increased accordingly.

§107. Notification to the Cabinet by the Minister.

When any money is received under Section 106 herein above, the Minister of Finance shall notify the Cabinet of the receipt of such money, and such money shall not be expended without the approval of the Cabinet.

§108. Lapsing of Certain Appropriations.

(1) Except for the amounts appropriated under Schedule 4 and the ROC Grant under Schedule 1, all others shall lapse at the end of the financial year to which this Act applies.

§109. Delegation of Authority to Approve.

(1) For the purposes of Article VIII, Section 5 (1) of the Constitution, the authority to approve expenditure in a program area in accordance with Schedules 1 is hereby delegated to:

(a) The member of the Cabinet primarily responsible for that program area and;

(b) If the responsible member of the Cabinet so directs by instrument in writing, and subject to any limitations imposed by the instrument and to general control by the member, an appropriate person, authority, or agency; or subject in either case to any limitations imposed by the Cabinet.

(2) Any expenditure otherwise than in accordance with Schedules 1 shall require the approval of the Cabinet in accordance with Article VIII, Section 5(1) of the Constitution.

(3) Any expenditure for prior year liabilities made under Schedule 1 shall not be available for expenditure as reprogrammed expenditure but shall be withheld and paid directly by the Secretary of Finance to vendor or service provider.

§110. Budget Estimates.

The Budget Estimates for expenditures for the relevant program areas are set out in Schedule 1 of this Act.

§111. Reprogramming and Transfers.

No funds may be reprogrammed or transferred to any other program areas or disbursed in any other manner except as set out in Schedule 1 of this Act.

§112. Effective Date.

This act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with Article IV, Section 21 of the Constitution and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify:

1. That Nitijela Bill No: 37ND1 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the 18th day of February 2025; and

2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No: 37ND1 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 21st day of February 2025.

Brenson S. Wase
Speaker
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

Attest:

Morean S. Watak
Clerk
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE APPROPRIATIONS

Schedule 1 – General Fund Revenue	
Total General Fund Revenue	**38,200,000**
Excess Tax Revenue	1,830,000
FY24 Hemodialysis Re-appropriation	800,000
FY24 Re-appropriation of lapsed funding	120,000
FY25 Reallocation from Special Appropriation "Honolulu Consulate (Debt Service) to MOFAT	150,000
U.S. Treaty (Fisheries)	2,000,000
ROC Grant	33,000,000
World Bank Budgetary Support	300,000
Schedule 2 – Compact Fund Revenue	
Total Compact Fund Revenue	**11,503,168**
Private Sector Reallocation	503,168
Compact II Carryover	11,000,000
TOTAL REVENUE	**49,703,168**
Schedule 3 – General Fund Expenditure	**38,200,000**
Medical Referral Program	2,600,000
Ailinglaplap Virgin Coconut Oil Project	120,000
Nitijela Referendum	394,000
Speaker Vehicle	40,000
MOEST Minister Vehicle	40,000
MWSC Outfall Project	247,000
Changed Circumstance Petition (CCP)	150,000
MIPD	252,000
PSC Network System	50,000
MOEST Bus	80,000
MOCIA MIMA Conference	20,000
President's Office	105,000
Micronesian Islands Forum	*80,000*
Contributions	*25,000*
National Olympic Committee – Mini Pacific Games	200,000
MOCIA Operations	50,000

MOFAT Home Office Operations	220,000
Ministry of Finance Operations	59,000
TC&IT Vehicle	30,000
One Island One Product (OCIT)	0
Miss Marshall Islands Pageant (OCIT)	150,000
Capital Building Project	32,000,000
MOCIA Disability & Senior Citizen Restrooms	20,000
Enewetak Multi-purpose Community Center	280,000
Attorney-General's Office (2 Passport Officers)	50,000
Council of Iroij	43,000
Schedule 4 – Compact Fund Expenditure	**11,503,168**
Tax Management System	503,168
Airport Terminal Project	4,000,000
MEC Generators	7,000,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**49,703,168**