

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE NO. 13-83

Subject: Policy Governing National Government Executive Branch Employees
Serving as Members of the Various State Legislatures

By virtue of Section 1, Article XI of the Constitution of the Republic of Palau, requiring the National Government to assist in the organization of state governments; and

By virtue of Section 2 of said Article XI providing for separation of governmental powers between the National Government and the state governments by reserving in the National Government all such powers not expressly granted or denied to the states and empowering the National Government to delegate, by law, to state governments other government powers; and

By virtue of Section 6, Article XV of the Constitution of the Republic of Palau mandating that all existing municipalities shall be established and organized as state governments pursuant to the Constitution not later than four years after the effective date of the Constitution (January 1, 1981); and

In furtherance of the intent and purpose of RPPL No. 1-7 requiring the Ministry of State, to provide assistance in the development of state constitutional governments; and

By virtue of Public Law No. 7-8-8 empowering the President to establish, by executive orders, offices and agencies of the Executive Branch and to prescribe thereto their duties and functions; and in furtherance of Executive Order No. 9 promulgated thereunder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Haruo I. Remeliik, President of the Republic of Palau, hereby order and direct all Ministers to implement this Administration Directive regarding the National Government Executive Branch employees serving as elected members of state legislatures as follows:

1. Membership of state legislatures by National Government employees is considered to be on part-time basis as may be prescribed by respective state enabling acts;
2. While attending to official business as a state legislator, any affected employee shall apply for and be placed on leave of absence without pay from his National Government employment pursuant to Title 61, Part 19.6 of Public Regulations, and other laws and regulations of the National Government; provided that the decision to grant such application for leave of absence will be that of each Minister, depending on whether the employee's absence adversely affects the overall operation of his Ministry;
3. The affected employee, drawing compensation or allowance by virtue of his service as a state legislator, shall not be eligible to receive any compensation or allowance from his National Government employment for the period of such service.
4. This Administrative Directive shall take effect immediately upon issuance and shall

remain effective unless and until revoked or otherwise superseded by subsequent directive or order.

SO ORDERED AND DIRECTED this 14th of January, 1983 in the State of Koror, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Haruo Remeliik
President of the Republic of Palau