

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 82

Creating the Palau International Airport Task Force to study the feasibility of improving existing airport or constructing a new international airport for the Republic of Palau, to identify possible sources of funding and interested foreign investors, to review all laws of Palau and the United States applicable to such project, and to submit recommendations to the President and the Olbiil Era Kelulau by January 31, 1990.

WHEREAS, there is an immediate and urgent need for Palau to have an adequate, modern airport to stimulate, facilitate, and service the tourist industry, and to accommodate overseas travel of the people of Palau: and

WHEREAS, the existing airport runway, terminal, and supporting facilities do not and will not meet the needs of the tourist industry or the needs of Palauan travelers in the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, a national policy on the airport including the final site selection must be developed and formulated based on the studies by experts to date and input of the general public and officials of the state and national governments of Palau;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of authority vested in me as the President of the Republic of Palau, it is hereby ordered, proclaimed and declared as follows:

1. A Palau International Airport Task Force is hereby created to study the feasibility of improving the existing airport or constructing a new airport for Palau, to identify sources of funding and possible investors, and to review all applicable laws of Palau and the United states.
2. The Task Force shall be comprised of the following seven members: Chairmen of the Committees on Resources and Development and Tourism of both Houses of the Olbiil Era Kelulau, the Palau National Planner, and the Chief Executives of Airai, Ngatpang, Ngchesar, and Ngaremlengui states.
3. The Task Force is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations and select its officers, and is hereby ordered to meet and organize within ten days after issuance of this Executive Order. All executive agencies and officials are to cooperate with the Task Force, provide information to it and are mandated to assist the Task Force when requested.
4. The Task Force shall review the following:
 - (a) All existing documents concerning the repair of the current airport; and
 - (b) All existing documents concerning the construction of a new airport; and
 - (c) All existing proposals from foreign investors.

5. The Task Force shall solicit the following:
 - (a) Written comments from concerned citizens of Palau; and
 - (b) Written proposals from other foreign investors.

6. The Task Force shall produce a report based on the information obtained in paragraphs 4 and 5 and include its recommendations. The report shall include discussion of the following information, if available:
 - (a) Applicable airline regulations;
 - (b) Alternative sites;
 - (c) Road access to all potential sites;
 - (d) Financing:
 1. Projected revenues from operations.
 2. Local and government sources.
 3. Foreign investors.
 - (e) Projections for airport use and numbers and origins of travelers.
 - (f) Capital and operating costs.

7. The Task Force shall submit its final report and recommendations to the President and the Olbiil Era Kelulau no later than January 31, 1990.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 26th day of October 1989, Koror State, Republic of Palau.

Ngiratkel Etpison
President
Republic of Palau