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Message

Håfa adai, tirow wáámi, and welcome to the 13th Micronesia Chief Executives' Summit.

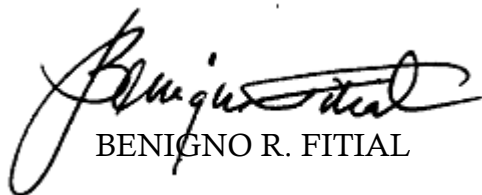
On behalf of the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, it is a pleasure to host the chief executives of Micronesia again.

This annual summit has produced many successes of which our people can be proud of, such as the creation and active work of regional groups protecting our environment and natural resources. However, there is still much room for regional cooperation. This year, let us continue to focus our efforts on opportunities for greater economic development, increased buying power, and expanding financial opportunities.

This summit's role has not changed. We are still committed to making the improvement of the livelihood of our peoples a regional partnership.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the goals of this summit. We look forward to our consultations and deliberations. Let us continue to strengthen our regional partnership for the benefit of our region and peoples.

Thank you, Si Yu'us ma'áse', and Olomwaay reemi.


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