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Focus on Fiji

Covenant - established unique relationship
Immigration powers
1983 - Japanese took interest.
Large numbers of contract workers

65,000 total 60,000 - 1995 census
18,000 - Chamorro - Carolinians (2,500)
(13,500 w/both Ps as Chamorro)
[9,000 mixed]

47,000
5,000 - US citizens (Caucasian, Filipino)
[anyone born in US is US-!]
even tho CNMI controls immigration
→ most are small Filipino children.
42,000 Contract workers
Filipino
Chinese
Korean
Bangladeshi
Thailand.
separate lives

→ Fed Rpt to Cong on Minimum Wage
[3-4 weeks ago]

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3500 hotel rooms
3000 under construction
Casinos - 1 - 500 rm - completed 2/97
Tinian

3500 jobs
1000 now on Tinian
each Casino hotel can generate 7,000 jobs.

How to maintain control

Controlling immigration is key to controlling Commonwealth.
Garment industry employs 11,000 people
Local labor people is 8,000 people
7,000 work for govt.
He's been there 25 yrs.

He's here until next Wed.
He's on panel in afternoon

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