

# NEWSLETTER

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## WHO'S COMING TO HAWAII

\*\* Mr. Milton DeMello (Director of Ed. Am. Samoa) Approx. third week in November for a few days.

## WHO'S GOING INTO THE PACIFIC\*

Dr. Shosuke Goto (Asst. Dean, Coll. Trop. Agri.) November 1970. American-Samoa Hawaii Project.

Dr. Donald Plucknett (Agron. & Soil Sci., Coll. Trop. Agri.) Western Samoa 26-30 October. Land and agri. develop. advisory capacity.

Mary Reddin (Curriculum and Instruction) American Samoa. Oct. 19-31 Consultant to Teacher Education Dept.

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## Policy Recommendations on UH--American Samoa Relations

A report to the Advisory Council on the International Relations of the U.H. by its Pacific Committee has recommended a number of changes in the U.H. relations with American Samoa. Chief among them is "that each request for assistance from American Samoa be evaluated by the University in terms of how well it will help in the resolution of the problems of American Samoa, hopefully by the American Samoans. To aid this evaluation, President Cleveland should appoint a committee of the Advisory Council to prepare a position paper for University use on Samoa desires and probable future status."

The U.H. currently is involved in a number of programs bearing on American Samoa. The College of Education under an 18-months, \$140,000 contract, is assisting the Department of Education of the Government of American Samoa. The U.H. Public Health/Samoa Contract signed in June of 1970 calls for the School of Public Health to aid in the planning and implementing of a comprehensive health program: cost for a year, \$109,050. The East-West Center Technology and Development Institute on an ad hoc basis provides short-term grants for study and training in Hawaii, Samoa, and in various overseas posts; in the period from 1963 to date, 190 Samoans have participated in Hawaii-based programs and another 609 in the field.

Besides these formal contracts, the U.H. School of Medicine, School of Nursing, and the College of Tropical Agriculture have working relationships of an informal nature with the Government of American Samoa.

With regard to research funds, the Committee recommended, "When the University enters into a service contract, and has some control over the overhead funds resulting from that contract, first priority in the utilization of the funds should be given to research and teaching in the country (area, region) concerned. In the case of the American Samoa contracts, faculty and students proposing valid projects should be able to count on the availability of funds (from whatever source) to facilitate research in the areas of mutual interest to Samoans and the Americans, including the question of what the American Samoans themselves desire."