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The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo
Governor of Guam
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Adelup, Guam 96910

Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Speaker
Thirty-fourth Guam Legislature
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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Dear Governor Calvo and Speaker Cruz:

Håfa Adai! Pursuant to Public Law 31-233, Section 38, *Reporting Requirements for Boards and Commissions,* attached are electronic copies of the Guam Education Board's meeting agenda, approved minutes and other documents as discussed at the November 30, 2016, regular board meeting. The meeting was held at Talofofo Elementary School, Cafeteria.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 300-1547.

Senseramente,

JOSEPH L.M. SANCHEZ
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Attachment
- E-Copies of GEB Meeting Packet

cc: GEB Members
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Guam Education Board
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Wednesday, November 30, 2016
6 pm
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In northern Iraq, Yazidis risk all to flee Islamic State

(Reuters) – When shells began crashing around the town of Tal Afar as Shi'ite militias brought the fight to Islamic State in northern Iraq, Abu Faraj saw his chance to escape captivity.

He and 17 other members of the Yazidi religious community, one of Iraq's oldest minorities, moved to the town's outskirts while their Islamic State captors were busy with the battle.

Four days later, in the early evening, they fled. The group, which included women and children, walked overnight through the desert and hours later reached Kurdish-controlled territory – and safety.

"I remember the exact time we decided to flee, it was 6:50 p.m.," said Abu Faraj, 23, who had waited more than two years for that moment.

"We had to walk in single file through the desert and follow each other's footsteps in case the area was mined," said Faraj, 23, who gave an alias for fear of identification by Islamic State militants, who still hold some of his relatives.



MOVED: Displaced women and children from the minority Yazidi sect, who were kidnapped by Islamic State militants of Tal Afar but managed to escape, are seen at a house in Dohuk province, northern Iraq, on Thursday. Reuters

The insurgents systematically killed, captured and enslaved thousands of Yazidis, whose beliefs combine elements of several ancient Middle Eastern religions and are regarded by Islamic State as devil-worshippers.

Mass Yazidi graves have been found since Kurdish forces retook areas north of Sinjar in December 2014, and the town itself in November 2015, but Islamic State had already transferred many Yazidis to other areas, including Tal Afar.

Reports from the area suggest thousands of people have fled Tal Afar in recent days as the Shi'ite paramilitary groups – assisting a U.S.-backed operation to drive Islamic State out of the city of Mosul to the east – advanced.

Faraj, who worked as a slave laborer in Tal Afar, is among the few young Yazidi men to have escaped Islamic State. He did not say how he managed to survive when others had disappeared or been killed, also for fear of identification.

"The rest of the group are women, children and elderly," he said.

U.N. investigators said in a report in June that Islamic State is committing genocide against the Yazidis in Syria and Iraq to destroy the community of 400,000 people through killings, sexual slavery and other crimes.

But even for those who have escaped, the ordeal is not over.

"Now, we don't know what we'll do, if we'll be able to get home, even where we'll sleep tonight. It's up to God," Faraj said.

Syrian army captures part of rebel-held east Aleppo

(Reuters) – The Syrian army said it had taken control of an important district in rebel-held eastern Aleppo on Saturday after fierce fighting, with rebels blaming intense air strikes and lack of hospitals for their collapsing frontline.

Government forces advanced with a ground and air assault on the edge of the besieged eastern half of the city, a move the rebels say is designed to split their most important urban stronghold in two.

Aleppo, which was Syria's biggest city before the start of a civil war that has killed hundreds of thousands of people, is divided between the government-held west and rebel-held east, where U.N. officials say at least 250,000 people are under siege. Capturing all of Aleppo would be a major victory for Syrian President Bashar al-Assad after six and a half years of fighting.

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NOTICE OF
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA), a public corporation, will be holding its Regular Board of Directors meeting on **Monday, December 5, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.** in the GEDA conference room located in Suite 511, 5th Floor, International Trade Center (ITC) Building, 590 South Marine Corps Drive, Tamuning, Guam.

Persons requiring special accommodations should contact GEDA's ADA coordinator, Mrs. Gloria Molo, at 647-4332 or gmolo@investguam.com.

/s/ Mana Silva Taijeron
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MINUTES

I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lourdes B. San Nicolas, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mr. Joseph L. M. Sanchez, Acting Superintendent and Executive Secretary, took the roll call. The following members were **present** for the meeting:

Voting Members:

San Nicolas, Lourdes B.- Chairwoman

Tainatongo, Rosie R. - Vice Chairperson

Chargualaf, Kenneth P.-Tele-conference

Cruz, Dr. Jose Q.

Non-Voting Members:

Perez, Franklin R. (AIJMS) - GFT Representative

Jho'nae Camacho (SSHS) - IBOGS Representative

Absent:
Ada, Peter Alecxis D.- Absent

Benavente, Lourdes M.- Absent

Gutierrez, Maria A.- Absent

Matanane, Rudy M. - Yigo Mayor and MCOG education liaison- Absent

The GEB Legal Counsel, Frank Gumataotao was present for the meeting.

The Superintendent announced that there was no quorum. (By law, five voting members constitute a quorum. Four (4) voting members were present for this meeting.)

Chairwoman San Nicolas reported that pursuant to 5 GCA Government Operations, Chapter 8 Open Government Law, because there is no quorum tonight for this body, there would be no action, no decisions, and no deliberations; technically, there is no meeting.

She thanked the Principal and staff at Talofofo Elementary School for their hospitality.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Date: 12/27/16

LEILANI M. B. CRUZ
Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF November 30, 2016 REGULAR MEETING:
( ) Approved as submitted
(X) Approved subject to corrections (Ref: GEB Reg. mtg. December 27, 2016, at GWHS Cafeteria)
( ) Other: _____

LOURDES B. SAN NICOLAS
GEB Chairwoman

Date: 12/27/16

JOSEPH L. M. SANCHEZ
Acting Executive Secretary/GDOE Superintendent

Date: 1/11/17

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