



# Extend the Compacts, Strengthen U.S. Security in the Pacific

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"The compacts, similar to treaties, went into force in 1986 for the FSM and Marshall Islands, and in 1994 for Palau. These 20-year agreements were last amended in 2004 and are in the process of being renewed—certain provisions expire by law at the end of 2023 for the FSM and Marshall Islands, and in 2024 for Palau. While their defense provisions are not up for renewal, the social services provisions, subject to congressional approval, are".

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