

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guðhan
APPOINTMENTS

DOCUMENT NO.	APPOINTEE	POSITION	AGENCY	APPT. DATE	TERM LENGTH	DATE REFERRED	COMMITTEE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	SESSION DATE	DATE CONFIRMED	NOTES
37GL-23-1092	Gurvinder S. Sabti	Member	A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Board of Directors	10/12/23	Three (3) Years; May 26, 2023 to May 25, 2026	10/18/23	Committee on Maritime Transportation, Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens	11/15/23 9:00 a.m.	1/9/24 3:28 p.m.			



Office of Senator

AMANDA L. SHELTON

Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman

Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

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January 8, 2024

The Honorable Therese M. Terlaje

Speaker

I Mina'trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan

163 Chalan Santo Papa

Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: **The Honorable Chris Barnett** *DCB*
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Committee Report on the Reappointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti**

Dear Speaker Terlaje,

Buenas yan Háfa Adai! Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on the reappointment of **Gurvinder S. Sobti** to serve as a Member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Board of Directors and which was referred to the Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens.

Committee votes are as follows:

- 6 TO DO CONFIRM
- TO NOT CONFIRM
- TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- TO ABSTAIN
- TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Received:

January 8, 2024 4:05 p.m.

Kamarin Nelson

Respectfully,

Senator Amanda L. Shelton

Chairwoman, Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens





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COMMITTEE REPORT

Nomination of Gurvinder S. Sobti

As a Member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Board of Directors to serve for a term of Three (3) years; from May 26, 2023, to May 25, 2026



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MEMORANDUM

To: **All Members**
Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens

From: **Senator Amanda L. Shelton**
Chairwoman

Subject: **Committee Report on the Reappointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai! Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report of **Gurvinder S. Sobti** to serve as a **Member** of the **Board of Directors** of the **A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority**.

This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of the Reappointment
- Copy of the Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Copy of the Appointment Packet & Support Documents
- Notices of Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimonies and Supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully

Senator Amanda L. Shelton
Chairwoman





COMMITTEE ON RULES

Senator Chris Barnett, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guahan
37th Guam Legislature

October 18, 2023

To: **Joaquin P. Taitague**
Substitute Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen Hiton
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Chris Barnett** *DUS*
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Reappointment**

Håfa Adai yan Biba Guahan!

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §9.01, Rule IX of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following reappointment:

Appointee: **Gurvinder S. Sobti**

Position: **Member**

Term Length: **Three (3) Years; May 26, 2023, to May 25, 2026**

Please refer the following document:

"Doc. No. 37GL-23-1092 – Office of the Governor – reappointment and Supporting Documents for Gurvinder S. Sobti, Member, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Board of Directors."

Ensure the reappointment is referred to the Committee on Maritime Transportation, Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens chaired by Senator Amanda L. Shelton. I also request that the same be forwarded to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin J.A. Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.





LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

October 12, 2023

37GL-23-1092
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
THERESE M. TERLAJE

Honorable Therese M. Terlaje
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
37th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

OCT 13 2023
Time: 4:15 pm
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RE: Board Reappointment

Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

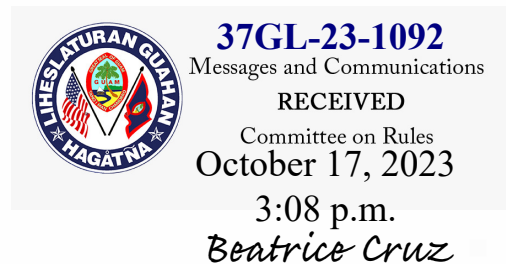
By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam and the applicable local laws, 12 GCA §1106, I am pleased to transmit the following reappointment and supporting documents:

APPOINTEE: Gurvinder S. Sobti
POSITION: Member, Board of Directors
A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority
TERM LENGTH: **Three (3) Years; May 26, 2023, to May 25, 2026**

The reappointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Åkto Maga'låhen Guåhan
Acting Governor of Guam



cc: *Honorable* Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
GOVERNOR

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

October 12, 2023

GURVINDER "BIC" S. SOBTI

Hafa Adai Mr. Sobti:

Pursuant to my authority under the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA §1106, and all other applicable laws, I am reappointing you to serve as a:

MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
A.B. WON PAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Term Length: Three (3) Years; May 26, 2023, to May 25, 2026

Your reappointment is a testament to your commitment to public service and your faithful execution of the great responsibilities that this position requires. I am confident that you will continue to fulfill your duties in a professional manner for others to follow. On behalf of the people of Guam, I extend my gratitude for your continued service in this important role.

As you are aware, this reappointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jean Taitano with the Office of the Governor at (671) 473-1121.

Senseramente,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joshua F. Tenorio".

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Åkto Maga'låhen Guåhan
Acting Governor of Guam

cc: *Honorable* Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam
Chairperson, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Board



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM Nomination and Appointment Information Sheet

The following information is required for submission to the
Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name SOBTI	First Name GURVINDER "BIC"	Middle Initial S
Mailing Address [REDACTED]		Apartment/Unit #
City [REDACTED]	State [REDACTED]	Zip Code [REDACTED]
Phone [REDACTED]	E-mail Address [REDACTED]	
Position to which Appointment is Made Member, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority		
Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If no, are you authorized to work in the United States? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
High School Father Duenas Memorial High School, Guam	1978 - 1980	High School Diploma	1980
College			
Graduate School			
Other Degree			

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address International Royal, Inc. DBA: Royal Bic/RPM Yamaha Tamuning, Guam	Position Title Owner
	Dates Held 1983 - Present

Previous Employer and Mailing Address	Position Title
	Dates Held

Previous Employer and Mailing Address	Position Title
	Dates Held

Previous Employer and Mailing Address	Position Title
	Dates Held

Previous Employer and Mailing Address	Position Title
	Dates Held

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)

<i>Agency or Department Name</i>		<i>Position Title</i>	
<i>Address</i>	<i>Phone No.</i>	<i>Dates Held</i>	

<i>Agency or Department Name</i>		<i>Position Title</i>	
<i>Address</i>	<i>Phone No.</i>	<i>Dates Held</i>	

TRAINING

<i>INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING</i>	<i>DATE</i>

AWARDS

<i>List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:</i>
GIAA Board Member Award

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

<i>List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:</i>

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

Member, Board of Directors, Guam Int'l Airport Authority (GIAA), 2005 - Present
Member, FDMS Board, 2010 - Present
Sponsor/Donor; American Red Cross-Guam Chapter, Make-A-Wish Foundation, GuamUnited Services Organization (USO)

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:

MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

BRANCH	DATES OF SERVICE	RANK AT DISCHARGE	TYPE OF DISCHARGE

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail: _____

Address of the Court: _____

Date(s) of Conviction: _____

Specific Infraction Committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?

Yes No

(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?

Yes No If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

Statement of Financial Interests

(Required by 4 G.C.A. §13104.1)

TO: The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
Governor of Guam
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

FROM: Gurvinder S. Sobti

- I have no financial interest in any business
- I do have interest(s) in the following business(es):

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BUSINESS INTEREST	TYPE AND AMOUNT OF INTEREST
International Royal Inc. DBA Royal Bic	Owner
Int'l Royal, Inc. DBA RPM Yamaha	Owner

Gurvinder S. Sobti
Signature

10/2/2023
Date

AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.


Gurvinder S. Sobti

Print Name and Signature

10/2/2023

Date



SUPERIOR COURT OF GUAM

Guam Judicial Center | 120 West O'Brien Drive | Hagåtña, Guam 96910 | (671) 475-3370 | Fax: (671) 475-0078

Name: GURVINDER S SOBTI

Driver's License ID #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

Criminal Cases:
No Cases Found

Civil Cases:

Request for further information may be addressed at the Records Division of the Superior Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, 120 West O'Brien Drive, Hagåtña, Guam. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and local/federal holidays. **Court Clearances are Non-Refundable.**

Dated: 10/06/2023

Sophia Santos Diaz
Clerk of Court

By: _____

Court Archivist

Prepared by: Rachael Q Orsini



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Government of Guam

**GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921



October 6, 2023

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	Gurvinder S. SOBTI		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]	FINGERPRINT#:	[REDACTED]
■	The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.		

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

THIS INFORMATION MAY BE LIMITED TO A LOCAL CRIMINAL OFFENSE ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE FOR ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

By Direction: **BARBIE**

STEPHEN C. IGNACIO
Chief of Police

The absence of an original GUAM POLICE seal invalidates this police clearance.
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Office of Senator Shelton Guam Legislature <officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org>

First Notice of Public Hearing – Wednesday, November 15, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

3 messages

Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton <officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org>

Tue, Nov 7, 2023 at 10:12 AM

To: "Speaker Therese M. Terlaje" <senatorterlajeguam@gmail.com>, Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes <senatormunabarnes@guamlegislature.org>, Senator Darrel Christopher Barnett <malafunkshun@guamlegislature.org>, "Senator Joe S. San Agustin" <senatorjoessanagustin@gmail.com>, Senator Sabina Flores Perez <office@senatorperez.org>, Senator Roy Quinata <officeofsenatorquinata@guamlegislature.org>, Senator Will Parkinson <senatorparkinson@guamlegislature.org>, Senator Dwayne San Nicolas <senatorsannicolas@guamlegislature.org>, "Senator Telo T. Taitague" <senatortelot@gmail.com>, "Senator Christopher M. Dueñas" <senatorchrisduenas@gmail.com>, Senator Thomas Fisher <senatorfisher@guamlegislature.org>, "Senator Joanne M. Brown" <office@senatorjoannebrown.com>, Senator Jesse Lujan <senatorlujan@guamlegislature.org>, "Frank F. Blas Jr." <office@senatorfrankblas.com>
 Cc: phnotice@guamlegislature.org, sqtarms <sqtarms@guamlegislature.org>, Audio / Video <av@guamlegislature.org>
 Bcc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, John Quinata <john.quinata@guamairport.net>, A Hernandez <ahernandez@guamairport.net>, Brian Bamba <brian.bamba@guamairport.net>

November 7, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media

From: Senator Amanda L. Shelton

Chairwoman, Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

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- Appointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti to serve as a Member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Board of Directors

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How to Participate

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If written testimonies are to be presented at the Public Hearing, the Committee requests that copies be submitted prior to the hearing date and should be addressed to Senator Amanda L. Shelton, Chairwoman of the Committee. Testimonies may be submitted via drop-box or email to the Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton at the aforementioned addresses.

Special Accommodations

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We look forward to your attendance and participation. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!*

 **1st Notice of Public Hearing on 11.15.23.docx.pdf**
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Riyo Anne Reyes <rareyes@guampdn.com>
To: "Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton" <officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org>

Tue, Nov 7, 2023 at 10:15 AM

Hafa Adai,

Received, thank you.

Kind Regards,

Riyo Anne Reyes
News Assistant



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Ed Pocaigue <sgtarms@guamlegislature.org>
To: "Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton" <officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org>

Tue, Nov 7, 2023 at 10:26 AM

Hafa adai and posted on the calendar.

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Si Yu'os Ma'åse'

Edward S. Pocaigue, Jr.

Sergeant at Arms

37th Guam Legislature
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PUBLIC HEARING



 **Posted on:** 11/07/2023 10:23 AM


 **Posted by:** Jay Milan

 **Public Hearing Date:** 11/15/2023 09:00 AM

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- Social Media
- Other

CLIENT Office of Senator Amanda L. Shelton
 AGENCY _____
 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS _____

VT CONTRACT# _____
 START DATE 11-7-2023 END DATE 11-13-2023
 ORDER NO./CART NO. _____
 LIVE TAG LIVE

DATE	TIME	LENGTH	RATE	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	NO. OF SPOTS	TOTAL

Two live read today to be schedule by Larry 11-7-2023. We will prouced the live read to air on Monday 11-13-2023

A total of 2 x :30 live read 11-7-2023 and 2 x :30 prouced on 11-13-2023

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II. Opening Remarks/Housekeeping

III. Confirmation Hearing

- a. **Appointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti to serve as a Member of the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Authority, Board of Directors**

IV. Closing Remarks/Announcements

V. Adjournment



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Committee on Air Transportation
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REFERENCE: Testimony for Re-appointment to the Board of Directors of the
A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam

Hafa Ādai Madame Chair and Members of the Committee on Air Transportation,

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today on my reappointment to the GIAA Board of Directors.

I am Gurvinder Sobti, President of International Royal, Inc., a proud resident of Guam and current Vice Chairman of the GIAA Board. I would like to thank Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lieutenant Governor, Joshua Tenorio for their confidence, I am humbled by my reappointment to the GIAA Board of Directors. I have served on the Board since 2008 and am proud of the milestones our only commercial airport has achieved over the years.

The biggest challenge over my tenure was the shock of the abrupt stop to travel and its devastating impact on our revenue during the global pandemic. As an essential service provider, the airport was required to remain operational 24/7 and do more with less, while maintaining safety and security, and providing the compliment of services to the few passengers travelling through our facility. Our normal traffic of 5,000 arrivals a day dropped to the low 100s, we had to find ways to mitigate the impact on our revenue.

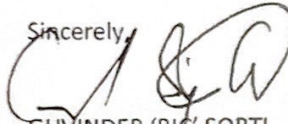
Together with my colleagues on the Board, we pursued out of the box measures and employed creative financial strategy to improve cash-flow, reduce debt and secure savings with lower interest rates. Creative efforts and solutions to efficiently operate in this extremely challenging airport environment must continue as we continue to recover incrementally, in line with the passenger demand from our source markets.

On the upward trajectory, we were again negatively impacted by Typhoon Mawar, despite the water damage to our flooring and equipment, we worked together with our airlines and passenger service providers to open within four (4) days of the passage of Mawar.

Throughout these challenging times, we continued our capital improvement programs, completed the International Arrivals Facility, the rehabilitation of our primary runway 6L/24R and have opened our state-of-the-art Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting facility. More projects are underway and we continue to chase federal grants to fund them. An update to our Master Plan, engaged our stakeholders and is nearing completion, and to protect the community from the noise produced by airport operations, we have embarked on an update to our Part 150 Noise Study that will identify homes affected and eligible for noise mitigation.

I take my fiduciary duties seriously. I am invested in the community in which I live and am committed to protect Guam's most valuable asset and economic driver – the Guam International Airport. I'd like to thank Management and Staff for their unwavering dedication day to day in managing terminal facilities and ensuring the traveling public's safety and security. I also thank my colleagues for their professionalism and dedication. I ask the Committee for your favorable consideration to allow me to continue as a member of the GIAA Board of Directors. Si Yu'us Ma'ase.

Sincerely,



GUVINDER 'BIC' SOBTI
Vice Chairman, Board of Directors

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REFERENCE: Testimony in Support of the Re-Appointment of Gurvinder Sobti to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam

Håfa Adai, Honorable Senator Shelton:

It is a privilege to appear before you this morning to submit testimony in support of the re-appointment of Mr. Gurvinder "Bic" Sobti to the A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) Board of Directors.

Director Sobti has overwhelmingly dedicated his time to public service as a Director of the GIAA Board since 2011. He has taken on the immense duty of serving on Guam International Airport's Board of Directors and has demonstrated the insight needed to develop sound policy in regard to growing the Airport business in these challenging times. It is crucial, now more than ever, to sustain continuity in leadership to move onward with initiatives that will build upon the business environment needed to attract support services and expansion of non-aviation revenue.

Through his Board actions, the airport has increased its operations, expanded its facilities, and adopted technology and modernization to ensure the safety and security of the traveling public. His primary interests after safety and security are the pursuit of quality and value of management actions relative to concessions, customer service, passenger amenities, terminal maintenance, and expansion of facilities.

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I fully support Mr. Sobti's reappointment to Board, for his contribution to the Authority's many accomplishments throughout his tenure on the Board, and ask the Committee on Air Transportation for its favorable action in this regard.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

John M. Quinata
Executive Manager



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Håfa Adai Honorable Senator Shelton:

My name is Brian Bamba, current Chairman, Board of Directors of the A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority (GIAA). I would like to submit for the record, my testimony in full support of Governor Lou Leon Guerrero, and Lt. Governor Joshua Tenorio's reappointment of Mr. Gurvinder "Bic" Sobti, to serve on the A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority's Board of Directors.

Over the past 4 years, the Board has worked closely with Director Sobti, and have benefitted from his experience and tenure, having served as a member of the board through three adnubustrations. As Vice Chairman, has been a benefit to our colleagues on the Board, and for the employees of the Guam International Airport Authority. His support of Management's initiatives has helped the airport expand its revenue potential, modernization and technological advancement, while facing significant challenges over the past few years.

I humbly ask for your favorable consideration in reappointing Mr. Sobti to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse,

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Please submit your response as soon as possible. Your responses will be logged into the Committee Report Vote Sheet for Gurvinder S. Sobti, which will be filed with the Committee on Rules.

Respectfully,



Jay Milan | Policy Analyst

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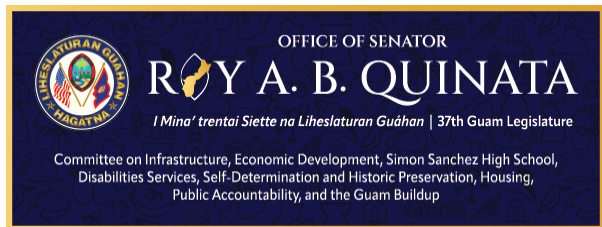
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I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Tourism, Park, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens convened a public hearing for the appointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Hearing Room at the Guam Congress Building. The appointment history is as follows:

- Appointment by *I Maga'haga Guahan* on October 12, 2023, to serve a term of three years from May 26, 2023, to May 25, 2026.
- Appointment Packet forwarded to *I Liheslatura* on October 13, 2023; and
- Appointment Packet forwarded to this Committee for public consideration on October 18, 2023.

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via email to all Senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on November 7, 2023, and again on November 13, 2023, fulfilling the 5-Day Notice and 48-Hour Notice of the Open Government Law requirements respectively.

SENATORS PRESENT

Senator Amanda L. Shelton, *Chairwoman*

Senator Jesse A. Lujan, *Vice Chairman*

Senator Roy A.B. Quinata, *Member*

Senator Joanne M. Brown

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John M. Quinata, *Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority*

Written Testimony Submitted By

Gurvinder S. Sobti, *Appointee*

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Brian J. Bamba, *Board Chairman, Guam International Airport Authority*

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

The public hearing was Called-to-Order at 9:00 a.m.

Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:

Buenas and H afa Adai everyone. Good morning. Welcome to the Guam Legislature. This public hearing by the Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens is hereby called to order. Today is Wednesday, November 15th, 2023 and the time now is 9:00 in the morning. For the record and in accordance with the open government law, notices of this hearing were sent on November 7th and again on November 13th. In addition, this hearing was noticed on the Guam Legislature website and the Guam Public Notice website.

I'd like to thank my Vice Chair Senator Jesse Lujan for joining me this morning. Just some Rules of Engagement. We ask that you keep your testimony to 5 minutes and if you need more time please submit it as written testimony. Please wait to be recognized by the chair and stay up at the panel for questions from Senators. Personal inference about the character or motive of any Senator or any individual testifying is not permitted. Any violations of this rule will result in removal from the public hearing. The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Guam was created by Public Law 13-57 as an autonomous agency of the government of Guam to own, maintain, operate, and develop airport facilities and properties. GIAA took over operations from the Department of Commerce in 1976 and since then has been the island's only commercial airport, supporting domestic and international air services for passengers and cargo. GIAA, led by its board of directors and management, strives to ensure the safety and security of the traveling public, is dedicated to maintaining a superior and reliable level of airport services for our island residents and tourists, and is committed to supporting the development of air linkages and facilities which are integral parts of the island's current and future economic growth.

Today, we are here to hear testimony on the appointment of Mr. Gurvinder Sobti to serve as a member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority board of directors. We will begin hearing testimony from the Executive Manager of the airport former, Senator John Quinata, you're recognized. Sir.

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

Good morning, Honorable Senator Amanda Shelton, oversight chair for the airport Authority. Our Vice Chair Senator Jesse Lujan, good morning sir.

[written testimony provided orally]

Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:

Thank you very much Senator Quinata. I'd like to also recognize members of the GIAA board. Mr. Jesse Garcia for being here as well as other members of the airport team. Si Yu'os Ma'ase. And now we'll hear from the appointee, Mr. Gurvinder Sobti, you are recognized.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Good morning Madam Chair Shelton, Vice Chair Jessie Lujan.

[written testimony provided orally]

Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:

Thank you very much Mr. Sobti. I'd also like to note for the record that we have testimony in support of the reappointment of Mr. Sobti from Chairman of the Board of Directors of GIAA Brian J. Bamba. I'd like to welcome Senator Brown. Thank you very much for being here this morning. Senator Brown you may ask any questions at this time if there's anyone else who wishes to testify. All right, we'll begin with questions. Senator Brown.

Senator Joanne Brown:

Good morning Bic. I guess it'll be okay if I call you that as I've known you for many many many years. I certainly appreciate your testimony and your interest in wanting to continue serving on the board. I see you've been a member since 2005. Yes are you like the longest serving member of the airport board. I didn't count that far yet but maybe one of them. I appreciate your testimony. where where do you see things going from here? I mean we had fortunately the opportunity. The Vice Chair of the Committee, Senator Lujan was able to coordinate with your airport management to have us tour the airport a couple of weeks ago and certainly we're pleased to see the progress. Finally see the completion of the third floor. I know that was a long and winding project that certainly started quite some time ago and very pleased to see the progress. Then also the federal funding that you're going to receive to upgrade some of the existing infrastructure there that needs to be addressed so where do you see things going for the airport? I mean you you obviously have been there for many years and have I'm sure a desire and passion to continue to serve with the airport board. What do you think you're going to be able to add more after your long tenure already? Where do you see things going having been involved and seeing you know the changes and the challenges that have happened in this long almost what 18 year period?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

First thing I want to thank you for coming and taking a tour of the airport. That means a lot for their board members and our airport employees you

know. Airport even though we face a lot of challenges every day, especially the last four years, but our management team and our consultants are overlooking that and still working with federal government to get more funds to improve our airport. We are working on getting some more some more aprons to be opened up so suppose we do get that disaster ever again so we can generate more incomes by renting those places which we can generate more money, building more terminals, more apron, more lease place for that. That's our main object and and improving a food cat which is needs that. So that coming to the airport, we get a good experience.

Senator Joanne Brown:

That's what we looking for. I think that's what we all like to see, and so in addition to obviously expanding, if we can get additional capacity building up. We've seen that since you know the end thank goodness of the pandemic. but in terms of your direct contribution, what would you like to see yourself engaging with regards to the continued maintenance and hopefully the maintenance I think that's the biggest challenge now that it's been built and added on. It's maintaining it and keeping it running. I remember a few years ago seeing your baggage system that's quite an intricate process of moving bags to and from the airplane loading and unloading. We always I'm sure the general manager prays every day it's always working because otherwise it would be quite challenging but in terms of yourself. What do you see yourself adding after all these years and your experience to the improvement or the growth of the airport, particularly the maintenance of the airport?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That has always been a challenge but the team has constantly you know. Every year we have to go or every two years we have to go for a bidding. So every year, the new challenge with the maintenance is keeping up working with the vendor to keep the facility. And they have done a good job. The Executive Manager hired some people to keep an eye on those guys so we can maintain. Because when the passengers come to Guam, people look at the airport and then they reveal about Guam, how Guam looks like. So we're doing our best to keep that going but the during pandemic and that we did face those challenges. Last of all I want to say for my personal, I would like to see the airport we already have the third floor now we're looking like I said earlier to upgrade the concession for the food and make more. We have lot of space left so I would like to see more activity going up there. Opening more space for rent it for like mostly like for the cargo buildings to be some more cargo buildings to be made so some hangers to be made so we can and bring more investors to Guam. That's my aim to do that.

Senator Joanne Brown:

On my last question. Certainly coming from the private sector and I see you've pretty much been running your companies from a very young age. I mean almost 40 years now.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That's true.

Senator Joanne Brown:

Since 1983.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Very true.

Senator Joanne Brown:

And I'm sure you're someone who's always you know on the move and probably don't have a lot of extra time just keeping your businesses managed and making sure it's properly running and doing all the things you need to do that. From that perspective of your experience what and how do you think that contributes to your perspective in looking at how the airport operates? Because you know Guam has a tendency to be less than the best in some areas in terms of performance and follow through. And certainly I'm sure in running your private business you don't get that luxury. You know you have to make sure that your workers are working and things are operating and the revenues coming in to keep the business going. And I'm sure it's a lot of work on your part. So how do you think that will contribute or has contributed to your position being on the board and how you review the operations and management of the airport? Is it as effective and efficient as it needs to be? Certainly from you coming from the private sector because you don't do the work you know the income doesn't come in the paycheck doesn't come in. GovGuam the paycheck comes in whether we perform or not and I think sometimes that makes us a little laid-back in some areas. And we don't provide that customer service and that level of performance that we should. Because there's no disincentive for not performing.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That's true Senator. But you know like you said I've been doing this since a very young age, since 19. I would say 1981, not even that right? Given me good experience working with my employees at my store you know and now I'm doing a lot of different things. So I take the same experience up there but I don't handle day-to-day operation at the airport but guiding them or going to the board meetings. I do guide them how to react with the

employees and how to improve and you know. That's all I can do guide them with the right way and give them what I would do at my business. They should do their that what I would tell but sometime working with the government, sometime our hands a little bit tied. Tied up doing few things what private sector can do. We don't need to go through procurements a few other things but government Guam they have to follow the procurement rules and other things. So the hands a little bit tied but looking back in last 10 11 years doesn't matter which management team. I would say they they go out of their way and do their best the way I do and they treat the employees the way I treat the . And do they're best. That's all I can say.

Senator Joanne Brown:

Well I appreciate your response. I certainly know the only major issue we hear about the airports at ongoing legal case. I hope at some point there's resolution because I always see that as a cloud hanging over the airport. And then the issue of hearing that it's affecting the ability of the airport to go out and actually get new vendors to come in and provide their services to the airport. And that's a bit concerning to me so I hope at some point there's resolution. Or that the airport asserts itself and determines that it's the airport property and that the airport needs to do what it needs to do regardless of what potential legal action any party wants to take because I don't think we should be put at a disadvantage with regards to operating our own assets that are owned by our people. So with that thank you again Bic for your continued interest of service. I mean you definitely have had longevity. 18 years is very impressive and the fact that you desire to continue to serve the airport is certainly something to be recognized. I wish you continued success in your tenure. I'm sure you'll have a favorable confirmation. With that Madam Chair thank you for the opportunity to ask questions and comment.

Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:

Si Yu'os Ma'ase Senator Brown. I'd also like to recognize Senator Quinata for joining us this morning. Senator Quinata any questions for the panel? Thank you very much, Senator Lujan.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Thank you Madam Chair. Good morning Senator Quinata. Morning and good morning. Can I refer to you as Bic? Great. I think we're more comfortable with calling you Bic.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Thank you, that's right way.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

And good morning as well to the rest of the GIAA Board Directors and management team that are here. I want to thank you. I want to thank also the Committee Chair for helping us to again organize alongside the airport authority. The tours that we've been taken on with the Senators and again I want to thank you for being able to accommodate our schedules. We like to do it in one shot but I think it's going to take about another three or four more tours to be able to get all our 15 Senators. When the schedules come out we can all do it one time. But then as public hearings are scheduled and oversight hearings are scheduled you know we'll have to again maybe three or four at a time. So thank you very much for that. It's always a welcome to have the Senators up there so we can brief them what we have going on at the airport. Okay and again thank you very much for that Bic. I know that you won't be able to talk about the the ongoing litigation that is going on with the airport and we hope that in the very near future that comes to a conclusion. And I know as well that rules and regs are being worked on as we speak. Do we have a timeline on possible possibly when that will be done and and possibly again going through you guys? And then coming down to the legislature, is there a possible timeline to that?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

I think so. We almost at the end to finalize. It should be in the beginning of the next year. Is that maybe three weeks sir in about -

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

I'm sorry within a month sir?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Within a month, yes sir.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Okay great and that will again go a long way to to help the airport move forward. And with maybe hopefully longer term situations and we see the challenges that you guys up there have and likewise the accomplishments but there's still a lot of work to be done um you know uh getting the airport

you guys have done a tremendous job. And after the typhoon and of course trying to recover from the pandemic, I know you're working alongside with Guam Visitors Bureau as well to entice more Airlines to come to Guam. And know it's great challenge most especially with the Japanese market.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Yeah.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

I mean it's great for us because our dollar is very strong but it's not a welcome thing for the Japanese to come over here. Because their Yen doesn't go very as far as it used to.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

It's correct.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Yeah, okay. Bic can you again give us an idea on your capital improvement projects that are up at the airport and the start and maybe ending of some of these capital improvement projects and the cost and how much is incurred by of course GIAA versus federal money and all that?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

I can tell you that. Exactly. Most of the capital improvements have done 90% are funded by the federal government and 10% is funded by the GIAA and sometime you get lucky is funded mostly with the FA2. So we are very proud to say that with all this going on FA and the airport team has done a great job after even the pandemic to typhoon everything our CIP projects didn't stop. They on the go. And now as we speak, last few weeks back we got some more money to improve the airport. So it's 90/10. Most of them.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Sure. You know I know my office has been contacted. I'm sure the chair has been contacted. I'm sure over the years as well on companies that want to invest and the airport airline related and all that but the big negative of that is the amount of money they want to invest. But again with the terms of the lease that they may have to undertake for the amount of money that they will have to put up. I know that's a great challenge and I mean at least in my perspective is you see that as well.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That is very true. That's why we need your blessing. And all that we need a longer lease so that we can attract these new investments to Guam . You know we have got a few interest showing that but we don't pursue much because first thing they ask is the lease and the lease is only right now it's only 5 years. So we're looking for a longer lease. I hope we get blessed with that so that we can get more investors coming to Guam. And we have lot of space. You were there about 2, 3 weeks ago with other Senators. You saw we

have a lot of room to grow. That's the real goal which I would like to achieve during my board member. I would like to achieve that.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Okay, likewise you know over the years we've been working on a situation which is now have been rectified by you folks the board and the airport. In regards to the runway length I mean runway length yeah and we have non-stop flights. Of course I mean you know you can take non-stop flights say from the Philippines to the West Coast and all that. We can do that now based on the length of the airport. What was the board doing again to enhance maybe non-stop flights at least once or twice a week? I mean and most especially because I'm going to ask this again the situation that our passengers have to go through the brutality that they have to go through in Hawaii in Honolulu. And so is there any daylight in maybe once or twice a week?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

Done. Stop let me answer to you my best knowledge. Going back to going through Honolulu our management team has been working with TSA and with Honolulu airport. We have so far achieved that we might be able to send like a domestic when we reach Honolulu. We don't have to get out the bags. We hopefully that happens soon. That our bags will go directly and we will be able to land on Honolulu Airport and go to a gate. Executive team is working very hard on that. That's one thing. Second thing on the flight it's very much possible we have that runway but I don't know. We have enough passengers to fly directly to to west coast yet and that depends on the airlines you know. That's United mostly or any airlines which will they have to determine that if they want to take. But we do have that facility to do. You know we have a long runway.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

No no. I know cause Honolulu doesn't show us any love so I don't want to reciprocate with that. I mean that being said it's always been a great challenge with Honolulu. And that's why I say maybe once a week you know like that. Because I know the sustainability will have to be frequency and again in enticing Airlines to come to Guam. Charters are great but at least you know a frequency of three or four times a week is what's going to be sustainable to be able to get that done. But it's just a horror story going through Honolulu and the more disturbing thing about that is I've written to one of their um their Senators actually their Federal Senator and the response I got back is that Guam is considered a foreign country. Really. Yeah, that's on black and white. I'm glad they put it in black and white

because something that again you know that's how they view us and this Senator is not a neophyte, he was the former Lieutenant Governor.

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

So that's the part Senator. We're educating them and as far as what Guam is all about. But we have made progress with folks in Washington DC with CBP in speaking to them and trying to address the issue concerning baggages in Honolulu. And so one of the things that we're working on with them and the new director of Customs and Border Protection here Colonel Mark Pablo. Actually he's not a colonel anymore now. He's the one star but trying to get the baggage to be pre-cleared on Guam so that when it arrives in Honolulu and mind you the passengers are pre-cleared on Guam when you go to the gate. They pre-clear you. What we need to do now is pre-clear the baggages. So we pre-clear the baggages on Guam. When the Guam flight arrives in Honolulu that it'll be treated like a domestic flight, where you go just go straight to your gate instead of claiming your bags and then rechecking it back in. That's the goal. And we're working towards that. As far as direct flights to the West Coast, we have the capability of doing it already and matter of fact some airlines have already been doing it for their cargo flights. But it was also demonstrated back when and just recently with Mawar where we had some flights that were cancelled coming in because we were closed for 4 days that the flights we had flights that came directly from the west coast to Guam and bypass on Honolulu. So the capability of them doing it is there, we just have to keep requesting and anytime that I do talk to especially United I put that plugin. Since you've demonstrated it already can we at least start it for at least once a week and possibly three times a week and then I can see that there is the capacity that folks that are transiting Honolulu that there is enough to fill up that flight to get to the West Coast.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Is that a Triple 7 that flies from here?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

Yes yes sir it's a trip 7.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Okay, so great. Your recovery efforts, when do you foresee because I know when you come down from the airport and or from your gate and then uh

into immigration you know all your carpeting has been removed and I think you guys are looking at a different type of material to put in there.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That's very true. You know we learned that from this typhoon the airport suffered a lot of damages. So we are mostly going to put teraso. That's what we are working towards that. Hopefully everything should be done by March. So you know mean takes a bit time to make sure we do a perfect job and make sure it doesn't happen again. That we don't go through the same thing yeah again.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Again the first impression that people you know is things like that and if you know I know in times past the bottleneck with not only immigration but maybe with customs and quarantine. And so those are the things that again the first impressions that that tourists will get. And likewise how we able to alleviate because I know when we come in and now you have the segregated entrance from airlines coming in your passengers that maybe are challenged in walking and things like that cause there's some long walks. I mean how would that be

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

We proven it right with Senator Brown but yes. We're working also with the Airlines and that cause in in most cases the airlines are the ones that provide that conveyance. Where they have a golf cart to transport them from when they get off to possibly to the customs area and stuff which is a long walk and stuff but we're moving to that point where we're going to have a conveyor or a golf cart to move these passengers with that are challenged physically challenged.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

One other thing want to get across is that concessions up. Your concessions over there and one of the reasons why I would like the Senator's tour. Because for example your biggest tenant over there is a very different situation versus your smaller tenants. And it's not like a one size fits all. You have brand products that are and they from my understanding they have separate agreements with their main tenant. And so they're signing on to maybe have their products carried by that particular tenant. I mean it's pretty costly and so that also is a determining factor whether or not they would want to have their products displayed and sold. But the revenue versus I mean what they put out versus when they'll be able to recoup that

and turn a profit is a challenge. So it's not a one-size fits all type of situation is it?

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

I agree with you with you. I mean the world changed right after pandemic. You know everybody, we all, I mean all happened in our lifetime so and as soon as the term expired I guess then there was extension given to them for three years I guess. And you know I mean this is a bad timing for us for the airport or any airport in the world because everybody's suffering through a tourism. You know especially us. So hoping things get better so we can go and rebid again and get a RFP or RFQ for that again. For right now extension was given so we all suffered. The tenants suffered a little bit because they lost like you said they lost one or two brands. So that was not anybody's intention but you know due to less sales and everything everybody was suffering there. Hopefully we can help help them some other way you know that's what our aim of the airport was during pandemic. Airport took a major role giving everybody a a break in every way which we could do and we did it.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Well likewise actually prior to the legislature passing that particular bill that gave the the extension, we did extensive research and other destinations actually airports around the world all airports that we looked at gave their tenants extensions as well. Just because of the challenges that they faced. I mean again unprecedented challenges and as a result of that as well their um their business model had changed from that. I mean from that experience. Not only they were allowed to extend out their leases but their business model had changed to again try to make up for their situation. Hopefully we never face again. And we have a greater challenge here as well because again you know I mean I was in Bangkok a few weeks ago and man looks like the pandemic never hit you know.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

I'm sorry. What did you say?

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Sorry, I said I was in Bangkok a few weeks ago and it looks like the pandemic never hit over there.

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

That's true I was there about 3 weeks ago. Same thing.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Yeah and you know I said I wish this was Guam you know. Yeah yeah

Gurvinder S. Sobti:

We are in different. Guam is a very unique place and we are very proud to be here especially me. But we we get most of tourism from Japan and Korea. And Japan is going through that Yen crisis and we are suffering because of that. You know I hope that gets better and I'm very sure that tourism will be back again and we'll be you know.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

I'm glad as well that we're getting caught up in technology because now we have the QR codes and we can get online. We feel you know we're just about paperless at this point you know. And so we're hoping again down the line when you foresee that we will be completely automated in technology? Is that the very near future or is a little bit in the medium or distant future?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

Actually that's our hope. And we are planning for that. That's part of our master plan that's coming up. We need to start especially we know that AI is going to hit us and he's going to hit us quick. So we are already prepping for that.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Okay. One last question. People ask again what's the situation between that and DPW putting that road?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

Oo that's the Tiyan Parkway. So at this time you know DPW is probably at the 97% completion date with the architecture and engineering thing. So once that's done then we start to look at purchasing remnant property so that we can take that and start the parkway.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

And you guys have acquired most of the properties already right?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

We've tired too, yeah. So there's four more that needs to be acquired and that has to be acquired by DPW to get those properties but there is a plan in place

to do it. However and I know the AG's office attorney Tom Keeler is the lead attorney in making sure that we get through that process.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Let me ask you if DPW acquires that, how do they acquire that?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

They would have to purchase the properties from the land owners that are there. And then that's how it goes. It's purchased by DPW.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

No. I'm just wondering I mean you know where they get the money? Can hardly fix some roads in it to acquire property so that's why I'm asking. I mean because they said they're going to acquire it and we leave it to them and so how long is it going to take to acquire it if they don't have the budget to acquire such right?

John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:

I think DPW is looking at Garby funds and stuff to look for that Tiyan Parkway.

Vice Chairman Jesse A. Lujan:

Okay, great. Okay, thank you Madam Chair.

Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:

Thank you very much, Vice. Thank you Senator Quinata for all the information this morning, and thank you Mr. Sobti for being here. For your testimony and for your willingness to serve again on the Airport Board. There sounds like there's a lot of improvement still. Of course the recovery that needs to be made for the airport and so much potential that we have for our our institution. So we look forward to your continued work and I want to thank you again for your willingness to serve and recognize everyone who's here because we understand that the airport has a full-blown exercise this week and the team has taken the time to be here in support of your board nomination. So si yu'os ma'ase everyone. Have a good day. The time now is 9:40 a.m. If there's anyone who wishes to provide more testimony, they can do so by emailing our office at officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org or dropping off your testimony to the Guam Congress Building. Again it's 9:40 and this hearing is adjourned.

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

All discussions and testimonies presented to and received by the Committee affirm support for the appointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti by Maga'håga Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam International Airport Authority.

The Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens hereby reports on the appointment of Gurvinder S. Sobti to serve as a member of the Guam International Airport Authority with the recommendation of TO DO CONFIRM.