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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning in FY 2022 (October 2021), an existing \$50.00 supplemental benefit will become part of the benefit formula adding a total of \$100 to your existing benefit, as authorized by RPPL 11-12 The Fiscal Year 2022 budget act which was signed into law on September 29, 2021. Below is a brief explanation of the supplemental benefit and how SSA will disburse it beginning in October 2021.

New \$100.00 Supplemental SSA Benefit: Social Security Administration would like to announce that a \$100.00 supplemental benefit payment, as authorized by RPPL 11-12, will start in October 2021 benefits that will come out November 1, 2021. The Social Security Administration will pay the \$50 supplemental on top of the existing \$50.00 supplemental benefit, as before, to all those receiving social security retirement, surviving spouse and disability benefits as authorized by RPPL 10-12. This \$100.00 is drawn from Social Security Funds and therefore, must be made a part of your benefit. This means that beginning with the benefit month of October 2021, this \$100.00 will be added to your social security benefit amount and will be subjected to social security earnings test deduction, if applicable.

Social Security Laws according to 41 PNCA § 756. Surviving child's insurance benefit states that a monthly amount of the benefit is fifteen percent (15%) of the amount of the basic benefit applicable to the deceased at the time of his death.

Therefore, Surviving Children Benefit will no longer be eligible for the existing supplemental benefit payment of \$50.00 effective October 2021. The \$100.00 supplemental benefit is awarded only to the Surviving Spouse benefit.

Continuing \$50.00 Supplemental Benefit: Social Security Administration further announce that an existing \$50.00 supplemental benefit, as authorized by RPPL 11-12 will continue to all those who are citizens of Palau, FSM, and the USA receiving social security retirement and disability benefits. This \$50.00 is funded by the National Treasury and therefore not subjected to social security earning test deduction.

If you have any questions, please let us know by calling our office at 488-2457/ 1823/ 5972.