

[Chinese Company Donates \\$1K to Yap Canoe Festival](#)

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Colonia, Yap State Government—**The Exhibition and Travel Group** (ETG) has donated \$1,000 to the 3rd Annual Canoe Festival, slated for Nov. 11-13.

The donation was presented Thursday by **Matti Dubee**, on behalf of the administration of the ETG in Chengdu, China, to **Tim Bigelow**, chairman of the 3rd Annual Canoe Festival Organizing Committee.

Dubee is the project manager for the Exhibition and Travel Group and is based in Yap, Federated States of Micronesia.

A letter accompanying the donation stated, "I present my compliments and am pleased to inform you of a small donation to your good committee's significant work on the annual Canoe Festival, which is slated to take place this year from Nov. 11-13, 2011 at the Colonia Community Center. As such, please allow me, on behalf of the Exhibition & Travel Group, to present to you a \$1 000 donation to Yap Traditional Navigation Society and the 3rd Annual Canoe Festival Organizing Committee."

The letter concluded by saying, *"Your committee has been putting out public announcements requesting support for this event and this donation is to help support this year's event in any way your committee sees fit."*

The organizing committee has been soliciting support for the events and activities that will take place during the annual festival. So far, only few private companies and government agencies have expressed interest to sponsor some of the events.