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CLASSIFICA	TION			
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESI	ENTUSE
X_DISTRICT	PUBLIC	X_OCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)	PRIVATE	X_UNOCCUPIED	XCOMMERCIAL	PARK
STRUCTURE	ЖВОТН	Work in progress	EDUCATIONAL	XPRIVATE RESIDE
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	X RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	X.GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	X_YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTATIO
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SURVEY RECORDS

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DEPOSITORY FOR

TITLE 66-05-1021 Inarajan Catholic Church

Department of Parks & Recreation

Inarajan Baptist Church

__FEDERAL XSTATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

CHECK ONE

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EXCELLENT
X GOOD

__DETERIORATED

X_UNALTERED

X_ORIGINAL SITE

the main road, San

__MOVED

__FAIR

__UNEXPOSED

RUINS

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Inarajan Village Historic Architectural District is comprised of sixty-six significant structures. Of these, eighteen date from 1901 to 1925. Another thirteen are pre-World War II. Another thirty-five are sympathetic in character and were built shortly after the end of the war. The village as a whole represents the urban and architectural scale that was once common on the island.

The type of architecture is residential in scale and character. There is no academic style per se and could best be labeled as "village residential." The building style is a fusion of the elevated older tropical structures of the 18th and 19th centuries with the everchanging building methods and materials available on the island.

Of the 104 structures in the district, including intrusions, four have neighborhood stores on the ground level with living quarters above or behind. There are two churches, one is abandoned. There is one additional auxiliary church building. The police/fire station and commissioner's office are combined into one structure. The town meeting hall is pre-war construction and in scale and character with the residences. The majority of the larger scale buildings are located in the same area at the east corner of the village.

Three tightly grouped two-story buildings t and a 1-1/2 story structure, the Manuel D. Diego residence, gateway. Two older structures, the Maria F. Lujan residence and the Josefina T. Flor house, and other dwellings block the view and force the street to become a "T",
three houses away, is located the most history-wrought structure in the village, the Augustin M. San Nicolas home. Built in 1918 by the carpenter Jose Duenas Cruz, the structure is two full stories high. Both stories are constructed of manposteria. The interior framing and flooring is of hardwood ifil. This buildin has a very cruel history during World War II.
Further is the structure formally built for Alfred S. N. Flores. This dwelling was built immediately after the war, and has the most refined details in the village. Other structures are some of the finest farming land on the island is located in the valley. The beginning of this farming area is the boundary of the village.

Jose, originally called Salai Jalla, continues toward the village center.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Inarajan Historic Architectural District is the last major remaining example of the urban and architectural scale that was once prevalent throughout the island. The main structures of the village are perhaps the last hope of preserving examples of the "village dwelling" that developed during the latter part of the 19th and early part of the 20th century. This development is unique to Guam and can be traced back to the prehistoric structures.

The residences of Inarajan have evolved through centuries of tropical structures. As the dwellings evolved they incorporated some construction methods of the 17th through 19th centuries, some colonial Spanish details, and various types of building materials available during the 20th century.

The scale of the houses is small, closely tied to the human. The size and proportion of the older buildings are identical to their predecessors, the thatched pole structures. These structures were 3 bays long and 2 bays wide. The majority of the existing village homes are still 3 bays long, but vary in width and building additions. The span between wood posts of the pole structures was approximately 3 meters. This spacing is similar to the spacing between uprights of the ancient latte structures found on Guam.

The form and type of construction of the older remaining dwellings also resembles the thatch pole structures. The floor of the old thatch houses was elevated off the ground approximately one meter. In later dwellings this height increased to 1-1/2 and 2 meters, creating another level, with the main level becoming the second floor. The ground floor was earthen; the second floor framed and planked with ifil.

Two different types of residential structures evolved. The first was the pole structure with wood siding replacing the thatch walls. The second was a "bodega" structure, which enclosed the lower level with thick walls of manposteria. Manposteria construction was introduced as a new building system to the island by the Spanish in the 17th century. The manposteria used on Guam is a rubble type of construction using coral rocks and lime mortar obtained from heating ground coral. This construction is referred to locally as "lime-stone". The spaces enclosed by the manposteria walls were used for storage, thus the Spanish name, "bodega". Rice, tobacco and sugar refinements were kept there.

The construction of the bodega and pole structure are identical from the second floor to the roof. The structure is framed with hard, durable wood, ifil.

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On the north side of the street is located the Mariano Leon Guerrero house number one, built in 1901, one of the two oldest structures in the district. The building is almost entirely in its original condition. It is one of the three dwellings with the original steeply-peaked roofs dating in design from the 18th and 19th century.

Directly opposite to the south is a two-story structure, the Mariano Leon Guerrero house number two. This is a full two-story structure dating from 1912. Both structures were owned by Mr. Leon Guerrero, former commissioner of the village. Photos dating from 1925 record the evolution and gradual remodeling of this building.

In an open area east of the Leon Guerrero House number 2, once stood the oldest village structure, the only dwelling to survive a great typhoon and flood of 1900.

South of this now graveled open space is the Emmésio S. N. Diego house built in 1925. One and a half stories with manposteria lower walls and the remainder of hardwoods, ifil and daaog, this structure displays several overtones in massing and detail from the olonial Spanish era.

To the north barely more than a path wide, is what is now called Hydalgo Street. Fronting this street is the house of the village carpenter, Jose Duenas Cruz. This structure built in 1915, originally 2 stories high, had a third level added immediately following World War II. The interior space of this dwelling and the carpentry are excellent.

Further to the east on the north side of Salai Jalla is the Manuel L. G. San Nicolas house. The main structure dates from 1901 with the massive steps being constructed in the latter part of the 19th century.

Further to the east is the focal point of the village, St. Joseph's Church. The church, badly damaged in World War II, was immediately restored in the early postwar years and has not been appreciably altered since.

Further to the east are other dwelling structures. The land rises gradually to become a coral cliff. The natural eastern boundary of the district is eastern shoreline.

At the church the road turns to the south and heads out of the village. Two pre-war structures, the Jose Quintanilla residence and the Joaquin P. Camacho home are located on the east side. An arterial street turns to the west and cliffline overlooking the village. This road forms the majority of the southern boundary of the district. One of the hill structures, which is similar to many of the immediate post-war buildings, has a strong vantage point and can be seen from throughout the village.

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The other main street in the village, Salai Lago, is the bay side street. Also a narrow one-way street, this road is not as enclosed as Salai Jalla because a number of original structures to the north on the sea side have been destroyed. The bay itself forms the northern boundary of this portion of the village and the northern boundary of the historic architectural district.

One old structure, the Baptist Church built in 1925 still stands. Many colonial Spanish details compose this building.

In between the pivotal structures previously described are many old dwellings and several newer structures which have been constructed in sympathy with the character and scale.

The older homes have steeply-peaked roofs, massive manposteria walls, and massive entrance steps. The buildings are framed with extremely hardwood, ifil. Each building has been added onto continuously, but the older homes were originally three bays long and 2 bays deep; each bay was three meters in length. Later homes frequently follow variations of the same pattern with slightly larger modules. The old homes have their main level elevated 1-1/2 to 2 meters above the ground with an overall height of 1-1/2 to 2 stories, plus roof structure.

There are several dominant repetitive detail elements strenghthening the architectural fibre of the village. Massive exterior steps are found on all old dwellings. These are approximately 4'-0" wide and bordered with a massive 12" to 16" thick rail or side wall.

Porches are prevalent; originally open, several are now enclosed with windows. Balconies are common and newer structures have repeated this detail. Many of the windows have wooden shutters, either folding or sliding.

Eighty percent of the structures still have metal roofs. The buildings are multicolored; the colors are pastels with blues and corals being the most prevalent.

With the houses directly abutting the road and many being 1-1/2 to 2 stories in height, a definite sense of enclosure is created. Traveling even at a slow speed, visually runs the buildings together closing the openings between the structures and creating almost a continuous facade. The relationship of street/walkway width to building height is 1-1/2 to 1.

The repetitive materials, colors, and spaces between the houses tend to draw the village together and creates an identifiable urban and architectural character unique to Guam. Inarajan's historic architectural district is the last remaining major concentration of this character and building style.

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Building No.	Name
1A	St. Josephs Church, 1937-1940; concrete; basilica plan
1B	St. Joseph's Rectory, 1948; masonry construction; metal roof
2	Recreation Center, circa 1937; 1-1/2 story; concrete foundation and base; wood frame; metal roof
4A	Mariano/Jose T. Paulino House, circa 1920; 1-1/2 story; manposteria bodega construction; ifil framing, floor; metal roof
4B	Juan T./Jose A. Paulino House, circa 1910; 1-1/2 story; manposteria bodega; ifil framing, horizontal siding, flooring; steep metal roof; massive exterior steps
6	Jose Tayama "Paulino Store", circa 1910; 2 story; remodeled 1935-36, Francisco Lujan; manposteria lower level; wood frame; metal roof; store lower level
6-1	Jose Paulino House, pre-war; 2-story concrete; manposteria; wood frame; metal roof
7A	Manuel M. Duenas House/Store, 1947; 2 story; concrete 1st / 2nd story; masonry walls; wood frame; metal roof; lower floor store
7в	Jose P. Duenas House, circa 1915; ifil posts; metal roof
8	Joaquin S. N. Diego House, 1951; 2 story; concrete frame; masonry; metal roof
9	Emmesio S. N. Diego, 1925; 2 story, built by Enrique Naputi; manposteria bodega; ifil and daaog framing, floors; massive exterior steps
10	Mariano R. Leon Guerrero House No. 2, 1912; 2 story, built by Jose Duenas Cruz; extensively remodeled; masonry; wood frame; metal roof; exterior balcony enclosed
11A	Leocadio C. Paulino House, 1922; extensively remodeled; 1 story;

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11B	Francisco L. G. Paulino House, 1945; 2 story; lower floor masonry/concrete; second floor wood frame, horizontal siding; metal roof
14	Mariano Leon Guerrero House No. 3, 1924; 1 story wood frame; metal roof; beyond repair
15	Cayetano A. Quinata House, Post-war 1948-49; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
18	Vicente T. Naputi House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
19	Manuel T. Paulino House, circa 1905-1910; 1-1/2 story; manposteria bodega; massive exterior stairs; ifil framing and floor; metal roof
24	Joaquin L. Meno House, Post-war; extensively remodeled concrete/masonry construction; metal roof; scale similar to older buildings
28	Jesus A. Flores House, circa 1915-1920; 1-1/2 story; manposteria foundation/base; wood framing; metal roof; porch is immediate postwar concrete construction
29A	Ignacio C. Lujan House, 1910, 1-1/2 story, manposteria base; massive exterior steps; ifil framing, floor; steep metal roof; remodeled
30~2	Irene L. Delia House, post 1972; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof; similar to older structures
30-5A	Jose A. Lujan House, 1949; 1-1/2 story; wood frame; metal roof
30-5B	Jose A. Lujan House, 1949, 1-1/2 story; wood frame; metal roof
36	Alfred S. N. Flores House, 1947; 2 story; first floor concrete; second floor wood; carpenter, Joaquin Camacho; metal roof; refined detailing
37	Cecilio Chargualaf House, 1947; 1-1/2 story; wood frame; metal roof; damaged beyond repair
38	Augustin M. San Nicolas House, 1918; 2 story; manposteria construction both levels; ifil interior framing and floor; massive exterior steps; metal roof; carpenter, Jose Duenas Cruz

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41A	Casiano Mantanona House, pre-war structure, rebuilt 1945; 2 story; masonry first level; wood frame; metal roof
41B	Margarita L. Mantanona, 1950; 2 story; masonry; wood; metal roof
41C	Francisco Asanoma House, 1963; 2 story; masonry; wood; metal roof; original structure destroyed by Typhoon Karen, 1962
50	Francisco D. Cruz House, circa 1925; 2 story; manposteria and bodega; ifil framing and floor; metal roof
50-1	Juan D. Flores House, 1939; manposteria bodega; ifil framing and floor; massive exterior stairs; metal roof
53	Government of Guam Ruin, Pre-war House Ruins, 2 story construction; concrete frame
54	Alfred M. Taitague House, Post-war; 1-1/2 story; wood; metal roof
55A	Edward M. Taitague House, Post-war; 1 story; wood; metal roof
5 5B	Edward M. Taitague House, Post-war; 1 story; wood; metal roof
58	Cleto C. Paulino House, circa 1925; manposteria bodega; ifil flooring, framing; unoccupied; metal roof
62	Isobel S. N. Leon Guerrero House, Pre-war; 2 story; ifil posts, pre-war; remainder post-war construction; pole structure; wood; metal roof
63	George S. N. Flores House, circa 1918; 2 story; masonry, concrete; wood framing; metal roof; lower level store
64	Mariano D. Leon Guerrero House No. 1, 1901; 1-1/2 story; manposteria bodega; ifil framing, floor, siding; steep metal roof: massive exterior steps; enclosed porch
65	Jose Taitague Lizama House, Post-war, 1-1/2 story; wood; metal roof
66	Antonio C. Chargualaf House, 2 story; ifil post construction pre-war; remainder post-war; pole construction; wood; metal roof
68	Jose Duenas Cruz House, 1914-15; 3 story; manposteria bodega first level; ifil framing; ifil, panao flooring; ifil and Japanese fir siding; open interior space; open porch; 3rd level added after World War II

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69	Joaquin S. N. Diego House, 1970 remodeling; 2 story; notable exterior stairs; balcony; concrete, masonry
70	Joaquin D. Flores House, circa 1905-1910; 1-1/2 stories; manposteria bodega; wood; enclosed porch; metal roof
73	Manuel L. G. San Nicolas House, 1901; 1-1/2 stories, manposteria bodega; ifil framing, floors, siding; massive exterior stairs; metal roof; enclosed porch
74	Francisco D. Diego Ruins, Pre-war; remains of 2 story masonry/concrete construction
76	Juan M. Kumiyama House, majority post-war; 2 story masonry; metal roof
77 ತ	Manuel Q. Taitague House, majority post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
78	Antonio C. San Nicolas, post-war; 2 story concrete frame; masonry walls lower level; wood siding upper level; metal roof
81	Rosa S. N. Naputi, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
90	Maria D. Afaisen, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
98	Meno House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
106	Old Baptist Church, 1925; 1-1/2 story; masonry construction; strong colonial Spanish influence and details; metal roof - abandoned
116	Pedro S. N.Chargualaf House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
120A	Francisco C. San Nicolas House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
121A	Jose S. N. Delgado House, Post-war; 1 story; wood/concrete frame; metal roof
121B	Edwiegis M. Fejeran House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof

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129C	Ignacio M. Taimanglo House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
131A	Jose S. N. Quintanilla House, 1933 to 1936; 1-1/2 story; ifil post construction; ifil framing; panao wood floor; metal roof; Jose Duenas Cruz, carpenter
131B	Aniceto S. N. Quintanilla House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
131D	Lino M.Chargualaf House, Post-war; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
R68 _A D	Jose Benevente House, circa 1960; 1 story; wood frame; metal roof
R69	Hill House, San Nicolas House, Post-war; 1-1/2 story; wood frame; metal roof
R70A	Joaquin P. Camacho House, 1936-37; 2 story; concrete/masonry construction; wood frame; metal roof

There are thirty-eight newer structures built in the district which because of scale, or detail, have not been considered significant. Of these, nine are of relatively short-lived construction, another two are in ruin and beyond repair.

Some of the structures could, with minor future modification as to roof lines, etc., enhance the significance of the village. Their categorization does not reflect upon the quality of the dwelling or its construction. The majority are fine homes by anyone's standards.

The percentage of significant structures in the village is 63 per cent. However, most of the intrusions and less significant structures are on the perimeter of the village. On the main street, there are 25 significant structures, 80% of all structures facing the street.

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The poles, the main level floor structure, and floor planks were made of ifil. Hardwood of panao and daaog were also occasionally used. The second level wall structure and siding was also made of ifil. The two oldest structures still have their original ifil structure, flooring and siding.

The roof configuration was originally quite steep and employed thatch or reed construction called nepa. This shape had evolved from the "A" frame type of roof construction believed to have been used over the latte structures. The Spanish introduced the gable roof and with it, side walls and a rigid joint connection between wall and roof construction. Later homes began using sheet metal for roofing and the form gradually became less steep. Three of the older buildings in the village still have the sharply peaked forms. The roofing material continued to change with the introduction of corrugated tin roofing. The roofs of all but the concrete structures are continually refurbished, due in part to typhoon destruction.

With the availability of off-island materials, the home construction started to change. Concrete proved more durable for withstanding typhoons and termites. Also, following World War II, active lumbering of ifil was lost and the much softer, less durable pines, firs, and mahoganies imported from the United States and the Philippines were used.

The structures in the village date from the turn of the century. An extremely strong typhoon struck in November of 1900 and left only two structures remaining. One, a rectory, was lost to fire in the early post World War II years; the second, a residence, fell to disuse and ruin and was torn down in 1973. Two new structures were built in 1901. These two structures were the Manuel Leon Guerrero house and the Manuel L. G. San Nicolas home.

The Leon Guerrero residence has all the valuable elements of the old structures, the peaked roof, the bodega, the massive front steps, porch siding, floors and framing all of ifil. The building is extremely well-preserved and only the east wall is not of original construction, having been damaged by Typhoon Karen in 1962.

The Manuel L. G. San Nicolas house rests next to a massive 19th century entrance stairs. Its bodega, ifil framing and siding are in excellent condition barring the holes from aerial cannon fire from World War II. The east side of this structure was also destroyed by Typhoon Karen. All other elements are original. Leantos and various "temporary" constructions to the rear of the house have frequently changed over the years.

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Manuel Leon Guerrero was the village commissioner and the central figure of the village. In 1912 he had a second structure constructed. This was built by Jose Duenas Cruz. The significance of this structure is enhanced by photographic records dating from 1925 which record the gradual alterations to the building. The existing structure while in character has been greatly altered material-wise with new masonry and concrete construction.

In 1914 the carpenter, Jose Duenas Cruz, stated construction on his own house on an interior lot of the village. The craftsmanship of his own home exceeds all of his other works. The interior space of this dwelling is the finest in the village. The boards used in this; building are of more uniform construction than other buildings. In the bedroom the floor consists of alternated strips of blond panao wood with dark purple planks of ifil.

In 1918, Jose Duenas Cruz was commissioned by Augustin M. San Nicolas to erect his two story structure. This dwelling is unique for being the only two story manposteria construction in the village. The second level walls; are reinforced with 2" x 3" ifil studs 2'-0" on center. The structure survived Typhoon Karen in 1962 and Pamela in 1976 in good condition.

It is also remembered for the martyrdom of Father Duenas. During the war, the intelligence arm of the Japanese Imperial Army, the Kempetai, headquarterd in this building. In the final days of the Japanese occupation, Father Jesus Baza Duenas, the leader of the Catholic Church on Guam, and a staunch patriot, and his nephew Edward Camacho Duenas were brutually interrogated and tortured. The Japanese sought the whereabouts or hiding place of the last remaining American military personnel on the island, George Tweed.

Members of the village were assembled in the open space to the east and south of the building and forced to watch the torture. The following day both Father Duenas and his nephew were taken to another area and killed. The priest's remains now lie under the altar at St. Joseph's.

The Emmesio S.N. Diego house was built in 1925. Even though several other village structures not emphasized are older, this building was considered more significant because of its massing and colonial Spanish overtones. Also its bodega is in excellent condition. A small amount of steel was used in reinforcing the structure and bracing the upper ifil-framed level. The carpenter was Enrique Naputi.

The Baptist Church was also built in 1925. Mr. A.I. Luttrull directed the erection of the church. Like the village houses, the one-room church is elevated, no doubt a practical concept considering its nearness to the bay. The walls are made of

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manposteria and has a metal roof. Its last service was held in 1960. Two years later it was badly damaged by Typhoon Karen. It has survived another major typhoon, but it remains picturesque, though abandoned. It is on the Guam Register of Historic Places.

The focal point of the entire area is St. Joseph's Church, representing the major role the Catholic Church has played in the community for centuries. St. Joseph's, along with San Dionisio Church in Umatac are the only two pre-war churches still in use on the island. St. Joseph's, built between 1937 and 1940 under the guidance of Father Bernabe de Caseda, is a relatively new structure in the village.

During the war a shell knocked out part of the structure and gouged the floor. In April, 1951, work began on enlarging and strengthening St. Joseph's. The work was completed the following December and the church has remained virtually unchanged since.

The life span for any structure on the island is greatly shortened because of the ravages of nature. Typhoons, with winds 165-190 miles per hour have thrice hit Guam during the 20th century. The island is in earthquake zone III, with the most recent quake 6.25 (Richter Scale) in the fall of 1975. Termite infestations make any surviving wood structure rare. In addition, the calamity of World War II inflicted heavy damage to the island and to Inarajan.

With the many changes of the past two decades on Guam, the fibre of the old village has been torn to shreds. Stateside suburban dwellings and plans have poured into the island. The transfer has been so sharp and rapid that many valuable lessons which could be learned from the old villages have been overlooked. The benefits of compactness, of continuous village shade, of elevated structures, of unified character and identity have been overlooked.

Fortunately, the village pride and family unity of Inarajan, coupled with its relatively remote setting in comparison with the expansion areas of the island, have given the village a "stay of execution." On their own the villagers have maintained their cherished old structures, but the odds increase yearly against continued preservation without recognition of their treasure and programmed guidelines for its maintenance!

It should also be pointed out that within the village district existed prehistoric developments. Research in the area was conducted in]966 by Dr. Fred Rienman. Excavations provided material which was carbon dated back to 1300 AD $^+$; there is reason to believe that carbon dates of still earlier settlements could be found. The major archeological significance is thought to pertain to the age of the village and establishing the possible continual occupancy of the site.