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**“GOOD MORNING RUSSIA” FILMS SHOWS IN SAIPAN**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – The Russian television program “Good Morning Russia” wrapped up five days of filming in Saipan last Friday (June 6) in preparation for five programs to air later this year. The programs will air to more than 1-million viewers in Russia and in 58 other countries around the world.

While in Saipan, the production team filmed typical island living with a local family, a Chamolinian wedding, a boat trip with local fishermen, diving with Speedy Turtle, island scenic and historic sites, a submarine tour, and took a discovery flight over Saipan. The program will also feature information about the Marianas Trench.

“The ‘Good Morning Russia’ media FAM tour was somewhat unique in that they wanted to showcase a bit of island lifestyle by filming with a local family and fishermen,” said Marianas Visitors Authority Marketing Manager Bruce Bateman. “With the wide distribution of this show around the world, it’s a good opportunity to show Russian visitors an inside look at the Northern Marianas. Our exit surveys show that Russians and other visitors want to see local culture.”

Lodging was provided by Saipan World Resort and Pacific Island Club Saipan.



A television production team from “Good Morning Russia” was in Saipan on June 2-7, 2014, to film for five upcoming episodes that will air internationally. Pictured from left are cameraman Evgeny Gusev, Marianas Visitors Authority Marketing Specialist Tatiana Babauta, presenter Andrey Petriyчук, producer Ekaterina Yasnopolskaya, and cameraman Pavel Kucheriaev.

The Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota are a chain of idyllic islands in the West Pacific, offering a friendly, fun and exciting vacation in paradise. They are an excellent destination for families, adventure and sports-minded travelers, as well as business people looking for a tropical haven. Adventurous travelers from Asia, Australia, Europe and elsewhere looking for new travel discoveries will find them in the Mariana Islands, just three hours travel from most cities in Japan, and four from Asia and Australia. The Northern Marianas are served from Tokyo and Osaka in Japan by Delta Air Lines and Asiana Airlines. From Korea, Asiana provides direct flights from Seoul and Busan. From China, direct flight service from Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, Tianjin, Hangzhou and Wuhan to Saipan is available. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan with one stop. United States mainland connections can be made by Delta Air Lines to Saipan via Tokyo Narita, and United Airlines via Guam. For more information visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

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