



SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME

Nineteenth SPREP Meeting

Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia
04 – 12 September 2008

Agenda Item 2: Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

Purpose of Paper

1. The “*Rules of Procedure of the SPREP Meeting*” (Rules 8.1 and 8.2), provides that where the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall rotate alphabetically, and where the Meeting is not hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall be provided by the host country.
2. Accordingly, the **Chair** of the Nineteenth SPREP Meeting shall be provided by the **Federated States of Micronesia**, the host country.
3. Rule 8.3 also provide that the Vice-Chair shall rotate alphabetically whether or not the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat. The Vice-Chair of the Eighteenth SPREP Meeting was **Samoa**. Under the principle of alphabetical rotation, therefore, **Solomon Islands** should be appointed **Vice-Chair** of the Nineteenth SPREP Meeting.

Recommendation

4. The Meeting is invited to:
 - **confirm** the Representative of **Federated States of Micronesia** as **Chair**; and
 - **confirm** the Representative of **Solomon Islands** as **Vice-Chair**.
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