

CIRCULAR

FILE: CONV 1/5/1 **TO:** Waigani Convention Competent Authorities and Focal Points

DATE: 29 June 2023

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SUBJECT: **Nomination Forms and National Reports for the Twelfth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Waigani Convention**

Dear Parties,

This circular follows on from Circular 22/97 that notified SPREP Members of the SPREP Meeting including the Waigani Convention Parties of the Twelfth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (WC COP-12) to on 1 September 2023, Circular 23/53 seeking nominations for the Noumea Convention Parties of the seventeenth meeting (NC COP-17) on 31 August 2023, Circular 23/43 notifying SPREP Members of the SPREP Meeting Provisional Agenda and seeking nominations for the SPREP Meeting, NC COP-17 and WC COP-12. The Secretariat would like to inform Parties as follows:

1. The Twelfth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties will be an in-person meeting at the Taumeasina Island Resort Conference Room, Apia, Samoa.
2. In accordance with Article 7.3 of the Waigani Convention, the Secretariat invites Parties to submit national reports on the implementation of the Waigani Convention to be tabled at COP-12. National reports are to be submitted by **30 July 2023**.
3. Reminding Parties to nominate one or more representatives to participate in WC COP-12 using the Circular 23/43 Nomination Form (re-attached). Kindly email your completed nomination form to the Secretariat by **14 July 2023** to comply with the Secretariat's policy on travel. Nominations received after the deadline will not be accepted.

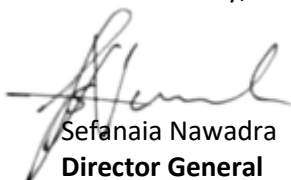
Assistance for Small Island States

Please note as per Circular 23/43 the Secretariat will cover airfares and Daily Subsistence Allowance for one delegate only from Small Island States to the 31st SPREP Meeting (31SM) of Officials and associated meetings as well as the Noumea Convention COP-17 and Waigani Convention COP-12.

For further information regarding the Waigani Convention COP-12, please contact Mr Joshua Sam at joshuas@sprep.org and copy Ms Davina Tiitii at davint@sprep.org

We look forward to welcoming you at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,


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