

Twenty Fourth SPREP Meeting

17th -19th September 2013
Apia, Samoa

AGENDA ITEM 7.1: Report on Members' Contributions

Purpose of Paper

1. To report to the Meeting on the receipt of Members' contributions.

Background

2. Financial Regulation 14 requires the Director General to submit to each SPREP Meeting a report on the receipt of Members' contributions. This report provides an update on the status of Members' contributions received in 2013 (up to 31st July) as well as sharing the status of members' contributions as at the end of 2012.

Members' Contributions received in 2012 and 2013 (to 31 July 2013)

3. Attached for Members' information is a statement, which shows the amounts due from respective Members as at 31 July 2013. As indicated in the table, a total of USD\$880,733 was received by the Secretariat in 2012 leaving a balance of USD\$532,961 of unpaid contributions as at 31 December 2012.
4. The total unpaid contributions as at 31 July 2013 is USD\$727,928 made up of USD\$421,303 unpaid for the 2012 year and prior years, and USD\$306,625 for 2013.
5. Contributions due for 2013, is \$1,069,774 and as of 31st July, the Secretariat has received US\$874,803 in respect of the 2013 contributions, and prior years unpaid contributions.

Outstanding Contributions

6. Other than Members with small adjusting balances, the following are Member countries with outstanding contributions as at 31 July 2013 for both 2013 and prior years contributions:

Member Country	2012 and prior years unpaid contributions	2013 contributions payable	Payments to 31-July-13	Balance as at 31-July-13
American Samoa	1728	10,184		11,912
Guam	81,440	20,360		101,800
Marshall Islands	10,184	10,184	(10,184)	10,184
Nauru	168,813	10,184		178,997
New Caledonia	546	20,360	(20,064)	842
Niue	25	10,184		10,209
Nth Marianas	108,401	10,184		118,565
Palau	36,172	10,184	(32,860)	13,496
Solomon Islands	20,360	20,360		40,720
Tonga	15,365	10,184	(15,365)	10,184
USA	(23,065)	186,787		163,722
Vanuatu	61,116	20,360	(31,500)	49,975
Wallis & Futuna Islands	7,032	10,184		17,216

Recommendation

7. The Meeting is invited to:

- **consider** the report and advise the Secretariat how to **address** the on-going problem of unpaid Member contributions; and
- **commit** itself collectively and individually to paying current and outstanding contributions in full in 2013