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Thirteenth meeting of the Noumea Convention

Thirteenth ordinary meeting of the contracting parties to the convention for the protection of the natural resources and environment of the South Pacific Region and related protocols (Noumea Convention)

Apia, Samoa

17 September 2015

Agenda Item 4: Report of the Secretariat

Purpose

1. To table the Report by the Secretariat under Rule 12(vi) of the Rules of Procedure of the Noumea Convention outlining work achieved from July 2014 to July 2015 in fulfillment of the provisions of the Noumea Convention.

Background

2. The Noumea Convention was negotiated under the framework of UNEP's Regional Seas Programme and was adopted in 1986. The Convention and its two related Protocols (Protocol for the Prevention of Pollution of the South Pacific Region by Dumping; and Protocol concerning Co-operation in Combating Pollution Emergencies in the South Pacific Region) entered into force on 22 August 1990.
3. The Convention provides a comprehensive umbrella agreement for the protection, management and development of the marine and coastal environment of the Pacific islands region, and addresses pollution from all sources and the need for environmental impact assessments.

Recommendation

4. The Parties are invited to:
 - **note** the Report (WP.4.1) of the Secretariat.

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