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Eighth Meeting of The Waigani Convention

Eighth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Ban the Importation into Forum Island Countries of Hazardous and Radioactive Wastes and to Control the Transboundary Movement and the Management of Hazardous Wastes within the South Pacific Region (Waigani Convention)

Apia, Samoa 18th September 2015

Agenda Item 10: Consideration and adoption of the Business Plan for the PRC

Purpose:

1. To present the 2016-2017 Business Plan for the Pacific Regional Centre for consideration and approval by the Meeting.

Background:

- 2. Under Article VII.2 of the revised Memorandum of Understanding establishing the PRC, 2014, between the Secretariat of the Basel Convention and SPREP on behalf of its Members, the Steering Committee of the PRC is responsible for reviewing and approving a Business Plan developed by the Centre and overseeing its implementation.
- 3. The Business Plan was developed and presented to the 5th meeting of the Waigani Convention Scientific, Technical Advisory Committee (STAC-5) and the 4th meeting of the Pacific Regional Centre Steering Committee (SCPRC-3) and was reviewed and approved by both meetings.
- 4. The draft Business Plan for 2016-2017 is presented in WC.8/WP.10.1
- 5. The activities in the draft Business Plan for the PRC have been incorporated into the work of the Waste Management and Pollution Control Division of SPREP which facilitates and implements most of the regional activities contained in the Business Plan. The draft Business Plan will be forwarded to the Secretariat of the Basel Convention for their consideration and approval.

Recommendation:

- 6. The Meeting is invited to:
 - > **consider** and **approve** the draft Business Plan as recommended by the Waigani Convention STAC-5 and the SCPRC-4 meetings.