

## Fourteenth meeting of the Noumea Convention

**Fourteenth 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

14 September 2017

### **Agenda Item 5: Country Reports on Implementation of Obligations under the Noumea Convention**

#### **Purpose**

1. To provide the opportunity for Parties to report on the implementation of their obligations over the past year (July 2015 – July 2017) in monitoring national developments consistent with the objectives of the Convention.

#### **Background**

2. Country reports on the implementation of Party obligations under the Convention became standard agenda items at the Fourth Meeting of the Parties.
3. At the Fourth Meeting of the Parties, the Parties endorsed the Secretariat's simplified guidelines for National Reports. The Parties agreed the Reports be lodged biennially and deposited with the Secretariat no less than three months prior to the Ordinary Meeting of the Parties. The format for the National Report can be downloaded from: <http://www.sprep.org/legal/noumea-convention>.
4. At the time of writing, no reports had been received for the relevant period but any would still be accepted prior to the Meeting.

#### **Recommendation**

5. The Parties are invited to:
    - **table** any reports on the implementation of their obligations for the past biennium
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