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TO: SPREP National Focal Points:
FSM, NZ, RMI, Samoa, Tokelau and USA

CC: SPREP National Focal Points

Subject: Next Meeting of the Staff Regulations Working Group

Dear Working Group Members,

The last meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the SPREP Staff Regulations met in March 2012 to discuss the ongoing review of the Staff Regulations at SPREP. The Secretariat prepared a paper for consideration of the Working Group which contained examples of the changes to the Regulations sought by the Secretariat. In particular, this Paper proposed to draw a clearer distinction between the broad policy measures contained in the Staff Regulations and the Operational functions which were to be delegated to the Director General to implement through policies and procedures. The Paper also noted that many areas of the Staff Regulations are in need of updating as a result of the process of change management at the Secretariat.

The Meeting directed the Secretariat to prepare another paper detailing recommendations to the Working Group on specific changes to the Staff Regulations. This Paper is currently under preparation by the Secretariat and will be published to the Working Group by Wednesday 11th July. It is hoped that this Paper will provide the Working Group with the guidance necessary to make its recommendations to the 23rd SPREP Meeting in September 2012.

The Secretariat wishes to invite Members of the Staff Regulations Working Group to attend the next meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group at 11am on Monday 23rd July 2012 at the SPREP Compound and via teleconference. The Minutes from the previous meeting are attached to this invitation.

I would be grateful if you would confirm your availability for this date by email (kosil@sprep.org) copying Andrew Kennedy (andrewk@sprep.org) and Apiseta Eti (Apiseta@sprep.org).

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further information.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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