Agenda Item 2: Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Purpose of Paper

1. The “Rules of Procedure of the SPREP Meeting” (Rules 8.1 and 8.2), provides that where the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall rotate alphabetically, and where the Meeting is not hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall be provided by the host country.

2. Accordingly, the Chair of the 2nd Executive Board shall be Solomon Islands the next in alphabetical order since the Secretariat last hosted the 29SM, Apia 2019).

Background

3. Rule 8.3 also provide that the Vice-Chair shall rotate alphabetically whether or not the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat. The Vice-Chair of the 29th SPREP Meeting was French Polynesia. Under the principle of alphabetical rotation, therefore, Guam should be appointed Vice-Chair of the 2nd Executive Board Meeting.

Recommendation

4. The Executive Board Meeting is invited to:
   1. Confirm the Representative of Solomon Islands as Chair; and
   2. Confirm the Representative of Guam as Vice-Chair.

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