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SUBJECT: A Better World – Action and Commitments to the Sustainable Development Goals

Dear SPREP Focal Points

With the establishment of the UN Sustainable Development Goals in 2015, the Human Development Forum has expanded its publishing operations with the creation of a series of volumes entitled “A Better World”, each dedicated to one or more of the 17 SDGs.

The attached is the fourth volume which is dedicated to Goal 15: Life on Land, and particularly Goal 15.3, which aims to achieve Land Degradation Neutrality globally by 2030. This can be kept in your library and used as a reference material on SDG 15.

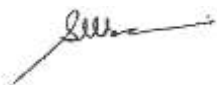
This publication draws upon experiences around the world, reflecting how governments, civil society and other stakeholders focus on the protection, restoration and promotion of sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainable management of forests, combating desertification, and the halt and reverse of land degradation and biodiversity loss. It also emphasized how policies and programmes can contribute to achieving sustainable development goals.

The restoration of the Toloa Rainforest on the Island Kingdom of Tonga; and the Mt. Vaea and O le Pupu Pu’e National Park restoration in Samoa are featured in this publication.

SPREP hopes that the experiences shared by these countries can contribute to better policies and programmes focused on the management and conservation of our Pacific terrestrial ecosystems and promote better livelihoods for our people.

I thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours Sincerely,



For: **Kosi Latu**
Director General

Attach: A Better World, Volume 4.