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SUBJECT: Moana Taka Partnership Publication

Dear Focal Points,

I am excited to provide to you our recently developed publication titled ["Moana Taka Partnership - A Guide for Pacific Island Countries & Territories"](#).

This publication is designed to provide clear and simplified information on the steps required for countries to access the benefits of the Moana Taka Partnership. The Guideline includes the translation of complex shipping terms and waste categories, into common language. We have also included worked scenarios on budget considerations to determine eligibility of utilising the Moana Taka Partnership.

Swire shipping and SPREP understand that cost and availability of shipping is a common barrier to recycling and safe disposal of hazardous waste from the Pacific. The Moana Taka Partnership helps alleviate this burden by utilising The China Navigation Company Ltd./ Swire Shipping Agencies vessels to fill empty Swire shipping containers (both the shipping and containers are provided pro bono) with waste to transport to countries with proper waste disposal facilities, ensuring that waste products from oil, to plastics and aerosols, are properly recycled and processed.

SPREP seeks to increase participation in the Moana Taka Partnership by participating countries and encourages Members to investigate the possibility of using Moana Taka Partnership to move stockpiles of non-commercial waste.

I urge you to download a copy of this publication from <https://www.sprep.org/publications/moana-taka-partnership-a-guide-for-pacific-island-countries-territories> and to share it widely with your colleagues and your networks.

Should you like to know how SPREP can assist countries access the MTP services, contact our Waste Management and Pollution Control Actg. Director, Mr. Anthony Talouli at anthonyt@sprep.org

Yours sincerely,



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