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TO: SPREP National Focal Points
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SUBJECT: Introducing the following:

Dear Members and Partners,

SPREP is pleased to announce the following appointments with the Pacific Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) Hub within the Climate Change Resilience (CCR) Programme:



Ms. Vanda Faasoa-Chan Ting, a Samoan national, has been appointed to the position of Technical Adviser, Pacific NDC Hub. Vanda has a Master of Science (Renewable Energy) from Murdoch University, Australia and a Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Teaching, University of Newcastle, Australia. She has more than 10 years' experience in mitigation needs assessment and methodologies and joined SPREP from Samoa's Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment where she has been the Assistant Chief Executive Officer, Renewable Energy for the past six years. Vanda started in her new role on 19 October 2020.

In her new role, Vanda will lead SPREP's work on the Pacific NDC Hub and to address identified needs and priorities of Pacific Island Countries to enhance and successfully implement their NDCs and specifically to achieve objectives of the project. In addition, she will assist in the further development of the Pacific NDC Hub for its second phase, including financing agreements, work plans and regional training and workshops.

Ms. Florette Tuuau, a Samoan national, is the new Finance and Administration Officer for the Pacific NDC Hub. Florette is a graduate of Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand with a Master of Commerce (Information Systems) and a Bachelor of Commerce (Economics and Information Systems). She joined SPREP from Leota-Niumata Chartered Accountants where she has been working as a Senior Accountant/Auditor. Florette started in her new role on 15 October 2020.



In this role, Florette will lead the financial and administration functions of the project.

We extend a warm welcome and congratulations to our Pacific NDC Hub Team on their appointments and we look forward to these positions increasing and strengthening relevant support and services to the region.



We would also like to acknowledge the following individuals' services and contributions to SPREP and the region as their relevant projects and areas of work come to an end and as they pursue other professional developments in their life journeys:

1. Mr. Herman Timmermans: Pacific Ecosystems-based Adaptation to Climate Change (PEBACC), Project Manager– completed contract on 30 September 2020;
2. Ms. Miriama Turagava: PEBACC Finance and Administration Officer – completed contract on 30 September 2020;
3. Ms. Filomena Serenia: PEBACC Fiji Project Officer – completed contract on 31 August 2020;
4. Mr. Allan Dan: PEBACC Vanuatu Project Officer – completed contract on 31 August 2020;
5. Ms. Kelera Macedru: PEBACC Project Assistant – completed temporary contract on 31 August 2020;
6. Mr. Mark Skinner: completed secondment to SPREP as the Pacific Ocean Litter Project, Implementation Manager on 30 September 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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