Memo

To : As Per Distribution List

From : Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Strategic Planning, National Development & Statistics

Date : 22nd May 2013

File : NPO 26/01/30

Re : CONSULTATION ON PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MAURITIUS STRATEGY FOR SMALL ISLANDS DEVELOPING STATES

The Ministry for Strategic Planning, National Development & Statistics is preparing a progress report on the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for Small Island Developing States (SIDS). The objectives of the report are to:

(i) Assess progress made in implementing sustainable development strategies contained in the Mauritius Strategy;
(ii) Identify Lessons Learnt and Gaps in implementation; and
(iii) Identify new and emerging challenges.

As part of the process of finalizing the report, the Ministry will be undertaking stakeholder consultations in Suva, Labasa and Lautoka on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th of May 2013. The consultations will provide an opportunity to obtain direct feedback from implementers and stakeholders on the progress Fiji has made in implementing policies and strategies geared towards sustainable development.

In this regard, we wish to invite a representative from your Ministry to participate in consultations to be held in Suva on Friday 24th and Monday 27th May 2013 at the Ministry of Strategic Planning Conference Room, Level 2 Ro Lalabalavu House.
Please find attached the following:

(i) Consultation documents containing Progress Updates on the 15 thematic areas divided into 3 Clusters: Environment & Climate Change, Economic Development, and Social Development;

(ii) An outline of priority areas identified under the Mauritius Strategy relevant to the thematic areas above; and.

(iii) Draft Programme.

For any clarifications, please contact the undersigned on 3221204 (email: oralulu@planning.gov.fj) or Mr. Paula Cirikiyasawa on 3221310 (pcirikiyasawa001@planning.gof.fj).

We look forward to your participation in this important consultative process.

[Signature]

For Permanent Secretary for Strategic Planning, National Development & Statistics

Attach:
CABINET DECISION

Extract from Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 18th June, 2013 at 9.00am


Cabinet:

(i) endorsed the content of the Fiji National Report on progress in implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for further Implementation of the Barbados Plan of Action 2010-2012 (Annex 1), subject to amendments raised in Cabinet; and

(ii) approved that the Report be submitted to the United Nations Development Programme and be part of the Regional Synthesis Report to be discussed at the Pacific Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Preparatory Meeting to be hosted by Fiji in Nadi on July 10th - 12th, 2013 and later at the Third International Conference on SIDS in Samoa in 2014.

[ V. Namosimalua (Mrs) ]
Secretary to the Cabinet
MEMORANDUM

To: Permanent Secretary for Local Government, Urban Development, Housing and Environment

From: Secretary to the Cabinet

Date: 20th June, 2013

Subject: Cabinet Decision


Please acknowledge receipt.

[ L Vakarau ]
for Secretary to the Cabinet

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208. Pacific Regional Workshop on the Preparation of the Fifth National Report under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), 22-26 July, 2013, Novotel Hotel, Nadi - EP. 12/2/22

Cabinet, by Written Opinion:

(i) noted the importance of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) meeting in Fiji's national development processes;

(ii) agreed that the Government of Fiji host the upcoming regional workshop on CBD in Fiji from 22-26 July 2013 at the Novotel Hotel, Nadi; and

(iii) approved that the Government of Fiji provide the necessary Secretariat and logistical support through the Department of Environment.

[ V. Namosimalua (Mrs) ]
Secretary to the Cabinet
Office of the Prime Minister

MEMORANDUM

To: Permanent Secretary for Local Government, Urban Development, Housing and Environment
From: Secretary to the Cabinet
Date: 19th July, 2013
Subject: Cabinet Decision

Enclosed please find Cabinet Decision No. 208 on the subject of Pacific Regional Workshop on the Preparation of the Fifth National Report under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), 22-26 July, 2013, Novotel Hotel, Nadi for insertion in File No: EP. 12/2/22 or in an appropriate file.

Please acknowledge receipt.

[Signature]
for Secretary to the Cabinet

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MEMORANDUM

From: The Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation

To: The Permanent Secretary for Local Government, Urban Development, Housing and Environment

Date: 25/06/14

RE: INVITATION TO MULTI-AGENCY MEETING REGARDING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI'S COMMITMENT TO THE MAURITIUS DECLARATION OF 2005

[1.0] In 2005, at the meeting of Small Island Developing States in Mauritius, the Government of the Republic of Fiji Government made a declaration to effectively protect 30% of its inshore and offshore marine habitats by 2020.

[2.0] This declaration demonstrates a strong commitment that goes beyond the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) which parties have agreed to that “by 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water areas, and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services are conserved through effective and equitable management.”

[3.0] Noting the need for continued collaboration on the State's key obligations and deliverables under the CBD, the Ministry would like to invite you or your deputy to attend a multi-agency meeting that it will be facilitating; this is scheduled for Thursday, 3 July 2014 at the Ministry's Level 2 Conference Room, at 10.00am. It is envisaged that this integrated approach will strengthen the States' concerted efforts in delivering its commitments.

[4.0] The meeting will also serve as preparatory for Small Island Developing States meeting in Samoa from the 1st – 4th September, 2014 whereby representatives from the Wildlife Conservation Society [WCS] will be hosting side-events in advocating this cause; in this regard, the WCS will be making a presentation at the meeting, which will highlight the
need for framing a management dialogue predicated on three [3] dimensions which are:

i. Conservation of fisheries;

ii. Food security for fisheries; and

iii. Balancing economic interests.

I look forward to meeting you on Thursday [03/07] as we enhance our efforts in managing Fiji’s ecosystems and biodiversity.

Amena V. Yauvoli

Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation
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15. Permanent Secretary for Youth & Sports
16. Permanent Secretary for Fisheries & Forests
17. Director, Department of Environment
18. Director, Department of Energy
CONSULTATIONS FOR PREPARATION OF NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF MAURITIUS STRATEGIC FOR THE FURTHER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BARBADOS PLAN OF ACTION

VENUES:
Labasa – Forestry Conference Room, Level 2, Macuata House.
Lautoka – Conference Room, Lautoka Chamber of Commerce.
Suva – Level 2 Conference Room, Ministry of Strategic Planning, Ro Lalabalavu House (Friday 24th May and Monday 27th May).

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