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SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY

FORTY-FOURTH MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

(Noumea, New Caledonia, 4–7 November 2014)

AGENDA ITEM 10 – FORTY-FIFTH CRGA: VENUE, CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

(Paper presented by the Secretariat)

VENUE AND DATES

- 1. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that CRGA shall meet once a year at SPC headquarters in Noumea, except during the years when the Conference is convened, when CRGA shall meet immediately before the Conference at a venue chosen by members of the Conference.
- 2. In accordance with CRGA rules, the venue for CRGA 45 will be Alofi, Niue.

CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

- 3. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that Representatives of Governments and Administrations shall provide a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson for each meeting, to be chosen in alphabetical order of CRGA member countries and territories.
- 4. The rules further state, 'In the event that the Chairperson is unable to attend the meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall assume the Chair. The Vice-Chairperson will become the Chairperson of the succeeding meeting'.
- 5. Since 1997, CRGA Meeting Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons have been provided by the following members:

| Year | CRGA | Chairperson | Vice-Chairperson |
|------|-------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1997 | 26/27 | Palau | Papua New Guinea |
| 1998 | 28 | Papua New Guinea | Pitcairn Islands |
| 1999 | 29 | Pitcairn Islands | Polynésie française |
| 2000 | 30 | Polynésie française | Samoa |
| 2001 | 31 | Samoa | Solomon Islands |
| 2002 | 32 | Solomon Islands | Tokelau |
| 2003 | 33 | Tokelau | Tonga |
| 2004 | 34 | Tonga | Tuvalu |
| 2005 | 35 | Tuvalu | Vanuatu |
| 2006 | 36 | Vanuatu | Wallis & Futuna |
| 2007 | 37 | Wallis & Futuna | American Samoa |
| 2008 | 38 | American Samoa | Australia |
| 2009 | 39 | Australia | Cook Islands |
| 2010 | 40 | Cook Islands | Federated States of Micronesia |
| 2011 | 41 | Federated States of Micronesia | Fiji |
| 2012 | 42 | France | Kiribati |
| 2013 | 43 | Kiribati | Marshall Islands |
| 2014 | 44 | Marshall Islands | Nauru |

6 Following the long-standing procedure for appointing the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, the Chairperson for the 45th meeting of CRGA will be provided by Nauru and the Vice-Chairperson by New Caledonia.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7. CRGA is invited to:
 - i. note that the venue for the 2015 meeting of CRGA 45 will be Alofi, Niue, and that members will be advised of the meeting dates in due course; and
 - ii. note that the Chairperson for CRGA 45 will be provided by Nauru and the Vice-Chairperson by New Caledonia.