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Subject: **2nd Multi Partite Review (MPR) Meeting of the Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change Project (PACC), Port Vila, Vanuatu, 8th – 12th August, 2011**

With this communication, I would like to inform that the Pacific Adaptation to Climate Change (PACC) Project will hold its 2nd Multi Partite Review (MPR) Meeting in Vanuatu on the 8th to the 12th of August, 2011. The meeting, held once every year, is the highest policy level meeting of the parties directly involved in the implementation of the PACC project. This meeting will also serve as the first face-to-face meeting of the Project Board for 2011.

The PACC is a GEF funded project and it is being implemented in the region by the UNDP with SPREP as the Implementing Partner. The aim of the PACC project is to enhance the resilience of a number of key development sectors (food production and food security, water resources management and coastal zone management) in 13 Pacific Island countries to the adverse effects of climate change.

The PACC project is now in its third year of implementation and this meeting provides an opportunity to critically review the overall project status (technical and operational) and strategically chart a way forward to enhance overall project performance at the regional and national level.

The specific objectives for this second MPR meeting are as follows:

- Discuss the 2010 Annual Project Report (APR) of the Regional Project Management Unit;
- Review the PACC progress and discuss policy, technical and operational issues and recommendations for the decision of the MPR participants;
- Share experience and lessons learnt for the policy and demo implementation processes;
- Appoint new members to the PACC Project Board and hold its first meeting for 2011;
- Revisit and reaffirm partnership and support processes;
- Introduce the additional funding support provided by AusAid (PACC+ Partnership); and
- Provide technical training on adaptation implementation and knowledge management

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This 2nd MPR meeting would also serve to officially introduce the additional funding support provided to the PACC project by AusAID for actual adaptation implementation at the community level. Also, the additional funding to the PACC project brings with it a new member of the PACC family; the Government of Tokelau.

Given the above, I wish to request the nomination of two participants to this meeting. It is highly appreciated if key personals directly involved with the PACC Project be nominated to attend and one of which should be the PACC National Coordinator.

We hope that you can provide your nominations to the Director of SPREP through Mr. Taito Nakalevu (taiton@sprep.org) and Ms Joyce Tulua (joycet@sprep.org) by the 30th June so that necessary arrangements can commence accordingly.

A provisional agenda is enclosed and information on travel and logistical arrangements will be circulated in due course.

SPREP wishes to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your kind consideration and support for the PACC project.

Sincerely,



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