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To: SPREP National Focal Points

Subject: **Review of SPREP Staff Regulations – Proposed Teleconference Thursday 7th July at 2.00pm (Apia time)**

The 21st SPREP Meeting last year approved the establishment of an open-ended working group comprising interested Members to meet in order to:

(i) Dispose of proposed amendments to Staff Regulations that arise during the course of the year; and
(ii) Recommend a more efficient process of dealing with Staff Regulation amendments other than via the annual SPREP Meeting.

In this regard, a SPREP Circular 11/51 - (16 June 2011) was sent informing Members of a proposed meeting of those who were interested in participating in the open-ended Working Group between 5-8th July 2011. Following consultation with Members, SPREP proposes that instead of holding a physical meeting in Apia, Samoa the inaugural Meeting of the Working Group will be conducted via Teleconference so that non-Apia based missions can participate and engage more easily in the Working Group's activities.

Accordingly, we propose this Thursday 7th July 2011 at 2pm (Samoa time) and invite you to indicate your availability for this Teleconference at your earliest convenience to apiseta@sprep.org. A list of participants will be made available prior to the meeting of the Working Group.

A background paper which will serve as the basis of discussion has been attached to this Circular for your review.

Thank-you for your cooperation

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Yours sincerely,

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