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FILE: AP 2/30/1 **TO:** SPREP National Focal Points

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SUBJECT: **Reports for comment and feedback – State of Conservation in Oceania (SOCO)**

Dear Focal Points,

As you are aware, SPREP, IUCN and partners have been working on a State of Conservation in Oceania (SOCO) assessment. The SOCO assessment comprises a regional synthesis report and a series of country "State of Conservation" reports, one for each of the 21 Pacific island country and territory members of SPREP.

The SOCO assessment summarises the pressures on biodiversity, the current state of biodiversity and ecosystems and the responses that have been taken to safeguard biodiversity in the Pacific region. The assessment also contributes to SPREP's ongoing state of environment reporting support to members.

The current drafts of the SOCO report and the feedback form can be downloaded at the following link: SOCO Reports

We would appreciate it if you could relay any final comments on your individual country reports as well as the regional and synthesis reports to Vainuupo Jungblut (vainuupoj@sprep.org) either before or by Tuesday 17 June at the latest. Please use the feedback form mentioned above to provide your comments.

If you experience any problems accessing the reports at the above link or have any questions, please contact Vainuupo on the email above or by phone on #66282.

Your ongoing support and cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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