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SUBJECT: Introducing Mr. Meapelo Maiai, Global Environment Facility – Support Adviser

SPREP is pleased to announce the following appointment within the Secretariat:

Mr. Meapelo Maiai has been appointed to the position of Global Environment Facility – Support Adviser (GEF-SA). Mr. Maiai is a national of Samoa and holds a Masters of Environment in Climate Change Adaptation Specialisation from Griffith University, Australia, a Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies from Victoria University, New Zealand and a Bachelor of Arts in Environment Studies from the University of the South Pacific, Fiji. Prior to joining SPREP, Mr. Maiai has been working in a number of organisations including the FAO Sub-Regional Office for the Pacific in Samoa where he has been working briefly as a national consultant. He worked for the office of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Samoa as a Senior National Programme Officer and was also employed by Samoa's Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment in a number of positions including Senior Sustainable Development Officer and Environmental Planning and Policy Officer. Mr. Maiai will be working with the Secretariat's Environmental Monitoring & Governance Team and he started official duties on 5th November 2012.



The GEF-SA will assist in Pacific Island Countries in aspects relating to GEF, in particular to assist Pacific countries to access funding GEF, and other bi-lateral and multi-lateral financing mechanisms and agencies.

We welcome Meapelo to SPREP and look forward to this position increasing relevant support and services to the region.

Yours sincerely,

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