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Subject: **Announcement: Change of Dates and Start Time for the Noumea and Waigani Convention COPs in Majuro, Republic of the Marshall Islands, 25th – 26th September 2014**

Dear SPREP Members,

The Secretariat would like to advise it's Members of the change in dates and start time to the Conference of the Parties to the Noumea and Waigani Conventions that will be held in Majuro, Republic of the Marshall Islands. The change of dates and start time is as follows:

1. Thursday 25th , September 2014 commencing at 1pm
   - **Conference of the Parties to the Waigani Convention**

2. Friday 26th, September 2014
   - **Conference of the Parties to the Noumea Convention**

The main reason for the late start time for the Waigani Convention COP is to cater for the inbound Majuro flight schedules from Honolulu on Thursday morning and to enable effective participation by all Parties to the Convention.

Furthermore the change in date for the two COP meetings is due primarily to a strategic decision from the Waigani Convention COP which may have an implication on the timing of the Noumea COP in the future.

Thank you for your understanding and we will look forward to your guidance and input on the agenda for this meeting.

Yours faithfully,

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