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SUBJECT: Introducing Ms. Anama Solofa, BIOPAMA Project Officer

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



Ms. Anama Solofa, a Samoan national, has been appointed to the position of BIOPAMA (Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management Programme) Project Officer within the Environmental Monitoring and Governance Division. Anama holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Marine Science from Auckland University and a Bachelor of Science in Zoology from the University of Otago, New Zealand. She has worked in a number of organisations including as a consultant for the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Interim Pacific Ocean Officer with the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and Samoa Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries as Senior Fisheries Officer. She is no stranger to SPREP having previously worked as a consultant as well as taking up a number of temporary contracts within the Corporate Services, Biodiversity Ecosystem Management and Environmental Monitoring and Governance Divisions. Anama started official duties in her new role on 12 February 2015.

BIOPAMA is funded through the intra-ACP envelope of the 10th European Development Fund being implemented in the Pacific region by IUCN. SPREP is contracted through the BIOPAMA Project Officer, to establish and operate the Regional Observatory for Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management in the Pacific as an integrated component of BIOPAMA and of SPREP's existing protected areas and biodiversity initiatives.

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

Yours sincerely,

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