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TO: SPREP National Focal Points
CROP Partners

DATE: 20 July 2017

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SUBJECT: **REGIONAL CONSULTATION ON PACIFIC CLIMATE CHANGE CENTRE (PCCC)**

Dear SPREP Members and Partners,

1. There will be a regional consultation on the fringes of the CRGA for the Pacific Community on **24 July Monday afternoon at 2-4pm in Noumea, New Caledonia** for the Pacific Climate Change Centre. **The meeting will be held at the Pacific Community Headquarters in the small conference room.** As the meeting will be hosted in Noumea the date and time will be local time.

2. The Secretariat has been working closely with the Steering Committee for the PCCC which consists of members: Australia, Cook Islands, French Polynesia, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Samoa, United Kingdom, United States, as well as Japan, the Pacific Community, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, and the University of the South Pacific.

3. The regional consultation is a follow-up to the decision of the 27th SPREP Meeting held in Niue in 2016 on the Pacific Climate Change Centre which:

    a. noted the progress of the Pacific Climate Change Centre;
    b. endorsed the role of the Pacific Climate Change Centre as a shared regional hub for inclusive collaboration to meet the priority adaptation and mitigation priorities of Pacific island countries and territories;
    c. endorsed the Pacific Climate Change Centre as a platform for fostering and enhancing genuine partnerships and collaboration for addressing the challenges of climate change resilience for the Pacific region;
    d. noted with appreciation the Governments of Japan and Samoa for their generous support of the Pacific Climate Change Centre, and requested for the Chair of the SPREP Meeting to convey to Japan and Samoa a note of appreciation; and
    e. endorsed the proposal that SPREP convene a small Steering Committee of Members and CROP agencies to drive the regional consultation on the regional vision, operating model, and governance arrangements for the PCCC, and to engage with the Leaders mandated working group process to elaborate on the Pacific Resilience Partnership to implement the FRDP.

4. A working paper is attached herewith to guide the discussion for the regional consultation. The SPREP Secretariat will be represented by the SPREP Executive of Mr. Kosi Latu, Director General and the Deputy Director General.

5. For further information regarding the meeting, please contact Mr. Roger Cornforth, Deputy Director General rogerc@sprep.org copied to the Executive Officer audreyp@sprep.org . The Secretariat would appreciate confirmed advice on Members availability to attend the regional consultation in person to be held on the fringes of the CRGA on **Monday 24 July 2017 at 2-4pm in the small conference room at the Pacific Community Headquarters in Noumea.** As the meeting will be hosted in Noumea the date and time will be local time. For those SPREP Members who cannot attend the name of participants and confirmed telephone contact and email details is appreciated.

6. The Secretariat is sincerely appreciative of the hospitality conveyed to SPREP by the Pacific Community, as they celebrate an important milestone of their 70th anniversary serving our Pacific region.

Kind regards,



Roger Cornforth
Acting Director General