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SUBJECT: STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

SPREP is pleased to announce the following appointments:

- **Ms Tagaloa Cooper-Halo, Director Climate Change Resilience**
- **Mr. Franck Connan, Marine Environment and Conservation Specialist (MEEM Secondment)**



Ms. Tagaloa Cooper-Halo has been appointed to the Director, Climate Change Resilience position within the Climate Change Resilience Programme. She has been with SPREP for the past five years initially as the Climate Change Coordination Adviser and most recently as the Climate Change Institutional Strengthening Adviser. Tagaloa brings to this role a wealth of regional experience having worked in senior positions with the South Pacific Applied Division (SOPAC) of SPC and the Government of Niue before she joined SPREP. She started in her new role on Monday, 5th February 2018.

Tagaloa joins SPREP's Senior Management Team in her new role where she will provide strategic leadership and management of the Climate Change Resilience Programme.



Mr. Franck Connan will join SPREP under a Secondment from the Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Marine (MEEM), France. He will be working with the Island and Ocean Ecosystems Programme as the Marine Environment and Conservation Specialist with a focus on actions to foster and support the implementation of marine conservation and management programmes with SPREP members as well as increased engagement between SPREP and French government initiatives. Franck will start official duties on 1 March 2018.

We congratulate Tagaloa and Franck on their appointments and we look forward to these positions increasing and strengthening relevant support and services to the region.

Yours sincerely,



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Director General