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SUBJECT: STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

SPREP is pleased to announce the following appointments:

- **Ms Rebecca Polestico, Monitoring and Evaluation Adviser**
- **Mr. Gregory Barbara, Environmental Assessment and Planning Officer**



Ms. Rebecca Polestico has been appointed to the Monitoring and Evaluation Adviser (MEA) position within the Strategic Planning, Project Coordination and Information Services Department. She is a national of the Philippines and she brings to SPREP extensive international experience in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of institutional performances in a number of organisations including UNESCO, ADB, FAO, Care International and UNDP in the Middle-East and Asia Pacific region. Rebecca joins us most recently from UNESCO, Iraq where she was the Senior Monitoring and Evaluation Adviser for the past two years. In her new role, she will be leading the design and development of SPREP's M&E framework and systems and provide ongoing M&E support across the organisation. Rebecca started in her new role on Monday, 5th March 2018.



Mr. Gregory Barbara has been appointed to the Environmental Assessment and Planning Officer (EAPO) position within the Environmental Monitoring and Governance Programme. He brings with him over 20 years of experience as a marine scientist specialising in coastal, benthic and pelagic systems as well as monitoring and remote survey work, within Australia and the Asia Pacific region. Gregory will join us from Jacobs where he has been the Marine Technical Leader for the past 7 years. He will start official duties on 17 April 2018.

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

Yours sincerely,

Roger Cornforth
Acting Director General