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SUBJECT: **Introducing our new staff:**

- **Mr. Michael Donoghue (Threatened and Migratory Species Adviser)**
- **Mr. Stewart Williams (EDF10 Hazardous Waste Project Manager)**

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



Mr. Michael Donoghue has been appointed to the position of Threatened and Migratory Species Adviser (TAMSA) in the Biodiversity and Ecosystem Management Division. Michael is a New Zealand national and holds a Bachelor of Science from London University, United Kingdom, a Master of Science in Oceanography from Southampton University, United Kingdom and a Postgraduate Certificate of Education. He has held a number of senior positions in the Department of Conservation in New Zealand including postings as Senior Marine Mammals Policy Adviser, Senior Relationship Officer and Marine and International Relations Adviser. He was recently the Executive Director of the Pacific Islands Programme for Conservation International based in Samoa. He is married to Kate with one son and 2 granddaughters. Michael will start official duties on 16 October 2013.

The Threatened and Migratory Species Adviser will oversee and facilitate the implementation of SPREP regional policies and programmes related to threatened and migratory species, including the Regional Marine Species Programme. This position is funded by NZAID.

Mr. Stewart Williams has been appointed to the position of EDF10 Hazardous Waste Project Manager (HWPM) in the Waste Management and Pollution Control Division. Stewart is an Australian national and holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Newcastle, Australia, and a Master of Science in Environmental Toxicology from the University of Technology, Sydney. He has held a number of positions with Australia's Environment Protection Authority and the Department of Environment and Conservation in New South Wales, specialising in the management of hazardous waste. Stewart was the Chief Technical Advisor for the United Nations Environment Programme in the Western Balkans for 5 years and is currently



completing consultancy work and a Masters Degree in International Environmental Law. Stewart is married to Leanne and has four children. He is scheduled to start official duties in early November 2013.

The EDF10 Hazardous Waste Project Manager will manage the implementation of the EDF10 PacWaste Project and provide technical advice, support and assistance to SPREP Members on regional E-waste, asbestos and healthcare waste management issues. This position is funded by the European Union.

We welcome our new staff to SPREP and looking forward to these positions increasing relevant support and services to the region.

Yours sincerely,



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Director General