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Press Releases

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1. Taofia Taumafa Tapa'a i luga o Vaa.

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le fuafuaga a le Komiti Faatonu o le Faalapotopotoga o Vaa a Samoa e taofia ai le taumafa tapa'a o soo se tasi i luga o va'a uma a le Faalapotopotoga o Va'a a Samoa i le va o Mulifanua ma Salelologa faapea Apia ma Pago Pago.

O le a amata faamamalu lenei tapu i le aso 01 Mati 2007.

O lenei fuafuaga ua faatinoina e le Faalapotopotoga o Vaa a Samoa e lagolago ai i polokalame faalauiloa e faaititia ai le taumafa tapa'a i nofoaga faitele aemaise o le tulaga saogalemu o le mamalu lautele o le atunuu.

Tobacco consumption ban on all Samoa Shipping Services ferries.

Cabinet has approved the proposal by the Samoa Shipping Corporation Board to ban tobacco consumption on all its ferries traveling between Mulifanua and Salelologa, and between Apia and Pago Pago.

The ban will be effective as of Thursday 01st March, 2007.

The decision is an effort by Samoa Shipping Corporation to help control tobacco consumption in public places and to promote health of the general public.

2. Lipoti o le Fono Tau Feso'ota'iga a le Lalolagi.

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le Lipoti o le Fono Tau Fesootaiga i le Lalolagi, a le Faalapotopotoga o Fesootaiga Faavaomalo (ITU) na usuia i Hong Kong mai le aso 3 – 6 o Tesema, 2006.

E to'a 128 Sui mai atunuu eseese na auai ma o mataupu taua sa talanoaina e aofia ai le : fausia o ni auala faigofie e faaaogaina e atunuu matitiva mo fesootaiga tau telefoni feaveai ma le initaneti; fausia o auala mo le taumafaiga o se pisinisi lelei tau fesootaiga; fausia o ni faiga faavae e faalautele ai le ofi atu o tekonoosi faaonapo nei i soo se itu o se atunuu atoa ai ma le; fausia o ni aiaiga e faatonutonu

ai tekonoosi fou. O le tele o faamatalaga ua maua mai i lenei fonu o le a aoga tele mo auunaga eseese o telefoni feaveai ua oo mai i Samoa.

O le Susuga Tima Leavai, o le Loia mo le Ofisa o le Pule Faatonu a le Matagaluega o Fesootaiga sa fai ma Sui o Samoa i lenei Fonu.

Report on International Telecommunications Union Conference.

Cabinet has approved the Report on the International Telecommunications Union Conference that was held in Hong Kong, from the 3 – 6 December 2006.

About 128 representatives from different countries participated. Major issues discussed include: technologies and infrastructure; building the business case; extending the information society and promoting access to ICT and; regulating Next Generation Networks (NGNs). It was a better opportunity for Samoa to realize and experience new technologies.

Ms Tima Leavai, Legal Analyst for the Office of the Regulator of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology represented Samoa at this Conference.

3. Lipoti o Fonu na auai ai le Minisita o Galuega, Felauaiga ma Atinae Tetele.

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le Lipoti o Fonu e tolu na auai atu ai le Afioga i le Minisita o Galuega, Felauaiga ma Atinae Tetele, Afioga Tusigaletaua Sofara Aveau, mai le aso 22-26 o Ianuari 2007.

- Fonu ma le Kamupani a le MAN Diesel (Ausetalia): sa talanoaina ai tulaga e ao ona faaleleia atili ai tulaga tau eletise i Samoa nei.
- Fonu ma le Kamupani a le Bellingham (Niu Sila): sa faamaioio ai tulaga faatatau i le uafu mo vaa faila o lo o fausia i Apia.
- Fonu Faaitulagi a le Pasefika mo Femalaigaiga i le Sami, Uafu ma Taulaga (Fiti): sa faamautuina ai le faataunuina o le Fonu Faaletausaga lona 32 a le Faalapotopotoga o Uafu ma Taulaga a le Pasefika ma le Fonu a Minisita o le Pasefika, o le a faia mai i Samoa ia Aperila, 2007.

O le Afioga i le Minisita, o le Pule Sili o le Pulega o Uafu ma Taulaga, Toleafoa Elon Betham ma le Pule Sili o le Faalapotopotoga o Malosiaga Tau Eletise, Mua'ausa J Walter sa auai atu i nei faamoemoe.

Report on Meetings attended by Hon. Minister of Works, Transport and Infrastructure.

Cabinet has approved the Report on Meetings attended by Hon. Minister of Works, Transport and Infrastructure, Afioga Tuisugaletaua Sofara Aveau, from the 22-26 January 2007.

- Meeting with MAN Diesel Company (Australia): discussed options concerning the development of power generation assets currently used in Samoa.
- Meeting with Bellingham Company (New Zealand): discussed alternatives to better carry out Samoa Ports Authority's plans to build the yachting marina in Apia.
- Association of Pacific Ports Meeting (Fiji): confirmed Samoa's position to host the 32nd Association of Pacific Ports Meeting and Forum Ministers' Meeting in April, 2007.

The Hon. Minister, General Manager of Samoa Ports Authority, Toleafoa Elon Betham and General Manager for Electric Power Corporation, Muaa'usa Joseph Walter represented Samoa at these meetings.

4. Aso mo le Faamamaina o le Taulaga.

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le Talosaga a le Komiti mo le Faamatagofieina o Samoa ina ia avea le Aso To'anai, 10 Fepuari 2007, e fai ma Aso mo le Faamamaina o le Taulaga o Apia.

O se tasi lenei o polokalame faatino e faia i tausaga taitasi. O lenei talosaga ua faia ma le agaga naunau ina ia faamatagofie atili ai le taulaga o Apia.

O lea la ua i ai nei se finagalo mai le mamalu o le Kapeneta mo Faauluuluga o Matagaluega ma Faalapotopotoga uma a le Malo, ina ia auai ma limalima faatasi mo lenei faamoemoe taua. O le a ta'atia atu i Matagaluega ma Faalapotopotoga taitasi le itu i le tausiga o a latou lava tagata faigaluega.

National Clean Up Day

Cabinet has approved a request by the National Beautification Committee for the allocation of Saturday 10th February, 2007 as the National Clean Up Day for the town of Apia.

This beautification initiative is carried out every year and is part of the country's response to beautify the town of Apia.

Cabinet Ministers, Heads of Government Ministries and Corporations and all public servants will be working together to ensure the 'national clean up' is a success. The Ministries and Corporations will be responsible for their own refreshments.

5. Umusaga o le Falemai Fa'aitumalo i Safotu

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le tatala aloa'ia o le Falemai Faaitumalo i Safotu i le Aso Tofi 08 Fepuari, 2007.

O lenei galuega sa faatupeina i lalo o Polokalame o Fesuiai'ga ma Fetu'unaiga mo le Soifua Maloloina a le Malo lea sa aofia ai le toe faafouina o le falemai, faatotogaina i masini ma moega, faatuina o le pa ma le toe fuaina o le fanua.

E amata le Sauniga e tatala ai lenei faamoemoe i le itula e iva i le taeao. O le Afioga i le Palemia, Susuga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi, o le a fofogaina le Saunoaga Autu o le Aso.

Opening of the Safotu District Hospital.

Cabinet has approved the opening of the Safotu District Hospital on Thursday 8th February, 2007.

This project was carried out under the Samoa Health Sector Management Project. It included renovation works for the Hospital; furnishing it with machines and beds; fencing and resurveying of the land.

The ceremony will take place at 9:00 am. The Honourable Prime Minister, Susuga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi, will deliver the official opening address.

6. Tatala Aloai'a Auala Laupapa i Safai ma Lano

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le tatala aloai'a o auala laupapa i afioaga o Safa'i ma Lano i le Aso Tofi 8 Fepuari, 2007.

O nei galuega o se vaega o Polokalame Faatino a le Matagaluega o Galuega, Felau'a'iga ma Atina'e Tetele ina ia faatumauina pea le saogalemu ma le malutia o femalagaiga a le mamalu o le atunuu. Sa fausia nei auala laupapa i lalo o le fesoasoani a le Faletupe o le Lalolagi i vaega na afaina i le afa o Heta i le tausaga 2004.

O le afioga i le Palemia, Susuga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi o le a saunoa faapitoa e tatala aloaia nei faamoemoe. O le itula e sefulu lua i le aoauli e tatala ai le auala laupapa i Safa'i sosoo atu ai ma le tatalaina o le auala laupapa i Lano i le afa o le lua i lea lava aoauli.

Opening of Safa'i and Lano Bridges.

Cabinet has approved the opening of two bridges in the villages of Safa'i and Lano on Thursday 8th February, 2007.

The constructions of the two bridges were carried out under the Cyclone Emergency Recovery Project.

Honourable Prime Minister, Susuga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi will deliver the keynote addresses for both occasions. The ceremony to open the new bridge at Safa'i will take place at 12pm followed by the opening of the Lano bridge at 2:30pm

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