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**Press Release**

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### **1. Malaga le Palemia mo le Faaaliga Tele i Saina ma le Fono a Taitai o Malo o le Pasefika**

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le auai atu o le Afioga i le Palemia, Susuga Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi i le Aso Faapitoa o Samoa, i le Faaaliga Tele e faia i Shanghai, Saina i le aso 01 o Aukuso 2010.

O lenei aso o loo faamoemoe e sisiina ai le tagavai o Samoa ma taina ai le Vi'i o le Saolotoga ma faailoa faapitoa ai tapenaga ma faaaliga faasamoa.

O le aumalaga e aofia ai le Minisita Lagolago o le Matagaluega a le Palemia ma le Kapeneta, Vaeolenofafia Tapasu Leung Wai ma le Ofisa Sili o le Matagaluega o le Va i Fafu ma Fefaatauaiga, Aiono Mose Pouvi Sua.

E mae'a lea asiasiga i Saina, ona auai atu lea o le Afioga i le Palemia i le Fono a Taitai o Malo o le Pasefika e faia i Port Vila i Vanuatu i le aso 3 - 6 Aukuso 2010.

O le fono faaletausaga lenei a Taitai o Malo o le Pasefika e aofia ai Ausetalia ma Niu Sila e soalaupule ai mataupu o loo aafia ai le Pasefika. E le auai le Malo o Fiti i le fono lenei, ona o loo faasala i le taimi nei. O le a faia ai foi fono faapitoa a Taitai o Malo o Atumotu o le Pasefika ma sui o Malo o Aferika ma Karipiane (ACP), e le aofia ai Ausetalia ma Niu Sila.

E taua tele fono a le ACP e talanoa ai mataupu agai i le va o Malo o le Pasefika ma le Iuni a Malo Europa.

### **Prime Minister to attend Shanghai Expo 2010 and Pacific Forum Meeting**

Cabinet has approved the participation by Prime Minister, Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi at the Samoa National Day, Shanghai Expo 2010 in China on 01 August 2010.

On Samoa National Day, the flag of Samoa will be raised and the National Anthem will be played. Promotions and cultural display will also be featured on this day.

Samoa's delegation includes the Ministry of Prime Minister and Cabinet Associate Minister, Vaeolenofoafia Tapasu Leung Wai and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Chief Executive Officer, Aiono Mose Pouvi Sua.

After the Expo visit, the Prime Minister will head on to the Pacific Islands Forum Leaders' meeting in Port Vila, Vanuatu on 3 – 6 August 2010.

The annual Forum Leaders' meeting including Australia and New Zealand will discuss matters concerning the Pacific. Fiji is currently suspended from the meeting. The African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) meeting will also be held in Port Vila.

The ACP meeting focuses on issues that involve Pacific countries and the European Union.

## **2. Malaga Faatonu o le Savali a le Malo i le Fono a Taitai o le Pasefika**

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le malaga atu o le Faatonu o le Savali a le Malo, Afioga Tupuola Terry Tavita mo le lipotiina mai o taualumaga o le Fono a Taitai o le Pasefika e usua i Port Vila, Vanuatu i le aso 3 – 6 Aukuso 2010.

O lenei fono o le a auai uma i ai taitai o Malo o le Pasefika, vagana le Malo o Fiti lea ua faatula'i ese ona o le le tausisia o faavae faatemokalasi o loo limataitaiina uma ai faigamalo o lenei itulagi.

E tele ni mataupu ogaoga e aofia ai ma fesoasoani i atumotu o le Pasefika o le a lauliliuina i lenei fono ma e manaomia ai le lipotia ma faamaumauina e le Savali.

### **Savali newspaper Editor to cover Forum Meeting**

Cabinet has approved the participation by the Savali newspaper Editor, Tupuola Terry Tavita for coverage of the Pacific Leaders Forum Meeting to be held in Port Vila, Vanuatu on 3 – 6 July 2010.

The meeting will be attended by leaders of all Pacific countries except for the ousted Fijian Government which failed to comply with democratic principles which guides Governments of the region.

There will be many important issues expected to be discussed at the meeting including aids for Pacific countries that needs to be reported on by the Savali.

## **3. Maliega mo Faiga Faapaaga i le va o Samoa ma Ausetalia i Mataupu Tau i Puipuiga**

Ua taliaina e le Kapeneta le Maliega mo le Faiga Faapaaga i le Va o Samoa ma Ausetalia i Mataupu Tau i Puipuiga

O lea maliega o le a sainia e le Palemia o Samoa, Afioga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi ma le Palemia fou o le Malo o Ausetalia, Julia Gillard i le fono a Taitai o Malo o le Pasefika e faia i le masina fou i Port Vila, Vanuatu.

O lenei faamoemoe ua amata i Samoa faapea ma Kiribati ma faasolo atu ai i isi atunuu o le Pasefika.

#### **Samoa-Australia Security Partnership**

Cabinet has endorsed the Samoa-Australia Security Partnership agreement.

This agreement will be co-signed by Samoa's Prime Minister, Susuga Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi and Australia's Prime Minister, Julia Gillard in the Forum Leaders meeting in Port Vila, Vanuatu next month.

The partnership starts with Samoa and Kiribati and will involve all Pacific countries.

#### **4. Faatau mai Afi Eletise Fou e Lua mo le Faalapotopotoga o le Malosi Tau Eletise**

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le Faatauina mai o Afi Eletise Fou e Lua mo le Faalapotopotoga o le Malosi Tau Eletise mai le Kamupani a le Cummins China Ltd.

O le manaomia vave o le okaina mai o nei afi eletise o lea sa tuuina mai ai le talosaga a le Faalapotopotoga mo le Malosiaga Faaeletise (EPC) mo le iloilogia a le Komiti o Tauofoga.

E tusa o mafuaaga na tuuina mai e le Komiti o Tauofoga, ua faamaonia ai le faatauina mai o nei afi faaopopo e lua mai le Cummins China Ltd.

#### **Purchase of Two New Generators for the Electric Power Corporation**

Cabinet has approved the purchasing of Two New Power Generators for the Electric Power Corporation (EPC) from the Cummins China Ltd.

The Electric Power Corporation submitted a proposal to the Tender Board because of the urgent need to order the generators.

The approval for the purchase of the generators from Cummins China Ltd was based on justification forwarded by the Tender Board.

#### **5. Lipoti Fono a le Komiti o le Faalapotopotoga a Malo o le Pasefika e faafeagai ma le Mataupu i Fiti**

Ua faamaonia e le Kapeneta le lipoti o le Fono a le Komiti o le Faalapotopotoga a Malo o le Pasefika e faafeagai ma le Mataupu i Fiti lea na usuia i Aukilani i le aso 31 Me 2010.

I le molimau a le Secretariat, sa faailoa ai le solo pea i tua o tualga o loo aliali mai i faigamalo a Fiti, e le gata i le faaleaogaina o le Tulafono Autu ma le faataape o le Palemene faatemokarasi a Fiti, a e ua atili ona faia gaioga e aveesea ai aia tatau a tagata, faapea ma le saolotoga o tusitala e lipoti ai ni tala e le fialia i ai le Malo o Fiti.

Ua taua foi i le lipoti le afaina ma le solo i tua o le tamaoaiga o Fiti, ma ua lata i le 40 pasene tagata Fiti ua o'o atu i le tulaga o le matua mativa a'ia'i.

Ua faaalua aafiaga foi i le va o Fiti ma isi malo tetele o le lalolagi atoa ai ma le Faalapotopotoga o Malo o le Taupulega ma Malo Aufaatasi. Taua ai foi le taumafai o le Palemia o Fiti, Josaia Voreqe *Bainimarama* e valaaulia nisi Malo o le Pasefika e auai i le Fono a Atunuu Melenisia, ma o se tulaga lea e ono aafia ai le maopopo o le Fono a Taitai o le Pasefika (Pacific Leaders Forum).

I se saunoaga a le Minisita o le Va i Fafo a Fiti, Ratu Inoke Kubuabola na toe agai ai i tapenaga a Fiti e faia ni feutagaiga faalauaitete e aofia atoa ai Fiti. Peitai e le i mafai ona faamanino mai ai le aofia ai i nei feutagaiga o vaega faaupufai e tete'e ia Bainimarama.

Na fesiligia ai e le Komiti pe talia e Fiti le o'o atu o le Komiti a Minisita o le Pasefika e asiasi ma feutagai ma le Malo ma vaega faaupufai tete'e, a e na tali le Minisita e talia le asiasi atu o le Komiti pe a faapea e gasolo ai i luma le famoemoe o le taitaiga a Bainimarama mo le lumanai o faigamalo a Fiti. E le i ma'oti ane foi se tali pe mafai ona feiloai le Komiti ma vaega faaupufai tete'e i totonu o Fiti, ae e mafai ona feiloai atu le Komiti i tagata ta'ito'atasi.

O le Minisita o Galuega, Felauaiga ma Atina'e Tetele, Tuisugaletaua Sofara Aveau na fai ma sui o Samoa i lea Fono faapea ma le Ofisa Sili o le Matagaluega o le Va i Fafo ma Fefaatauaiga, Aiono Mose Pouvi Sua.

### **Report on the Forum Ministerial Contact Group (MCG) Meeting on Fiji**

Cabinet has approved the report on the Forum Ministerial Contact Group (MCG) Meeting on Fiji, which was held in Auckland on 31 May 2010.

The meeting saw presentations by the Forum Secretariat and the Minister of Foreign Affairs for Fiji.

Findings from the Secretariat revealed that Fiji's governance status not only in discarding its Constitution and the dissolving of its elected Parliament, but also reforms that breach human rights and media freedom.

Also mentioned in the report is the decline in Fiji's economy and that nearly 40 percent of the Fijian population is living below the poverty line.

Concerns on Fiji's relations with other countries of the world which include Countries of the Commonwealth and the United Nations were also highlighted. Fiji's Interim Prime Minister, Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama's effort to invite Pacific leaders as observers to the Melanesian Spearhead Group meeting was noted as a threat to the well-being of the Pacific Leaders Forum.

Fiji's Foreign Minister Ratu Inoke Kubuabola's presentation included his country's preparation for nationwide consultations but didn't say if the consultations will include opposition parties.

The Committee asked if Fiji could allow a visit by the Ministers of the Pacific to hold consultations with the Government and the opposition parties, but the Minister said such visit is only necessary if the committee supports Bainimarama's leadership for the future of Fiji's Government. Fiji's Foreign Affairs Minister said the Committee can visit individuals but was not definite if the Committee can visit opposition parties.

Representing Samoa to the meeting was the Minister of Works, Transport and Infrastructure, Afioga Tuisugaletau Sofara Aveau and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Chief Executive Officer, Aiono Mose Pouvi Sua.