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TO: Parties to the Noumea and Waigani Convention (Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, France, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and United States of America)

SUBJECT: **Revised Date - Eighteenth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to Noumea Convention and Twelfth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Waigani Convention - Saturday 6 September 2025.**

Dear Contracting Parties,

The Secretariat wishes to inform the Contracting Parties that due to the General Elections in Samoa on the 29 August 2025, we have been asked by our hosts Samoa to defer the 18th Conference of the Parties Meeting to the Noumea Convention and the 12th Conference of the Parties Meeting to the Waigani Convention, are now scheduled to **6 September 2025**.

The new date will follow directly from the Thirty Second SPREP Meeting to allow Parties to be represented in the two Convention meetings. The meetings will take place either concurrently or jointly. Further information on the modalities will be shared in due course.

For additional information, please contact Mr. Clark Peteru, Director Legal Services and Governing Bodies at (clarkp@sprep.org) or Ms. Kathleen Taituave-Afereti, Environmental Law and Policy Officer at (kathleent@sprep.org.).

Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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