

Pacific Immigration Development Community

2023 Regular Annual Meeting 20-22 June, Port Vila, Vanuatu

Agenda item 18: Workshop Session – Strengthening our Information Sharing

Network: Capturing Member Priorities and Needs and taking

ownership of our intelligence network

Recommendation

Members are invited to:

- (a) **note** the findings from each group's presentation;
- (b) **agree** to a way forward nationally and regionally in addressing major issues that have been identified in the group presentations and workshop discussions; and
- (c) **task** the Secretariat to review and consider opportunities or options to implement recommendations.

Facilitator: TBC

1. Objectives

The objective of this workshop session is for Members to work collaboratively in sub-regional groups to:

- Identify how we can further strengthen our immigration intelligence operations at the national level to subsequently support the regional PIDC intelligence network;
- Support PIDC in collecting and sharing information; and
- Identify national and regional strategies to strengthen our immigration intelligence network.

2. Format

The session will open with the facilitator outlining the objectives of the workshop session and will invite the regional law enforcement agencies to briefly provide an overview of their intelligence networks and current programme of activities being undertaken to strengthen their respective intelligence networks.

Conference participants will be divided into the subregional groupings (Melanesia, Polynesia, Micronesia and the Small Island States). Each group will discuss the workshop question and will have five minutes to report the key points of their discussion back to the Conference. Groups will report back to the plenary with the view to identifying any common themes for future work that may be incorporated within the PIDC work program.

3. Group discussions (40 minutes)

Guiding questions based on the objectives:

- What issues including staff capacity, immigration processes, systems or structures are limiting our department's ability to share information or contribute to the intelligence cycle ((i) Direction, (b)Collection, (c) Processing, (d)Analysis, (e)Dissemination and (f)Feedback)?
- What can we do better at the national level to improve our intelligence capacity?
- What can we do better through a regional approach to further strengthen the PIDC intelligence network?

4. Feedback to Conference

Each group presents back to Conference (five minutes per group).