

Pacific Immigration Development Community 2022/23 Board Meeting 1 (Teleconference) 26 and 27 October 2022, Apia, Samoa

Agenda item 4(a): Secretariat Report

Proposed Recommendations

The Board is invited to **note** and **endorse** the Secretariat Report.

Purpose

The purpose of the Secretariat Report is to inform the Board of the progress and achievements against planned annual activities as outlined in the 2022-23 Annual Work Plan and any specific challenges faced.

Background

2. In light of the short turn around period from the recent Regular Annual Meeting held in August 2022, the Secretariat will present a progress report on the Activity update including progress on the Annual Work Plan outcomes using a summarised traffic light reporting format.

3. The major focus of the Secretariat's tasks following the 2022 Annual Conference has been the activation of the HOS recruitment process, handing over of the Former HOS, adjustments and finalisation of Staff Individual Work Plans and progressing bilateral with individual members to confirm scheduling of approved activities and in-country technical assistances in this financial year. The lateness in hosting this year's Regular Annual meetings from the normal June window to August to accommodate reopening of borders and normalisation of border operations so that all members could hold their first face to face meeting impacted our workplan deliverable schedules. The late scheduling of this year's RAM has forced the Secretariat to (i) delay its Audit (ii) realign its Annual Work Plan schedule to the later Financial Quarters of this financial reporting year; being Quarter 2, 3 & 4.

4. Quarter 1 has primarily been taken up focussing on RAM and Board preparations, wrapping up of activities under the former HOS and our delayed Audit process. However, despite these challenges, the Secretariat has continued to implement PIDC activities such as:

- Board Meeting: Fiji August 2022
- PIDC Regular Annual Meeting: Fiji August 2022
- One online Intelligence Management Training seminar: Online August 2022
- One Intersessional Board Meeting: Virtual September 2022
- Niue Phase One Legislation Review national consultations: Niue September 2022

- Solomon Islands Phase One Legislation Review national consultations: Solomon– October 2022
- Auditing: Samoa September-October 2022
- Activation of HOS Recruitment Process: Virtual August 2022 and ongoing

5. In spite of competing priorities and a congested work schedule after the 2022 Regular Annual Meeting, the Secretariat has sought to advance a number of activities as directed by Members. Central to the Secretariats ability to deliver these activities has been the support provided by Members who have supported the Secretariat in their work.

A Traffick lights report is summarised in the next section of this report for ease of reference for the Board.

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Core Activity	Countries Solomon	Priority Core	Progress Update Completed national consultations and scheduled to complete
Policy & Legislation Support	Islands	Core	last consultations in February 2023
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	Niue		Drafting Instructions
	Palau	Secondary	Monitoring UNDP's support to review Palau's immigration Act
	Tonga	Core	Tonga to confirm recruitment of local drafter
Drafting of Legislation	Solomon Islands	Core	Dependent on phase 1 completion timeframe
Support	Palau	Secondary	Monitoring UNDP legislation support to Palau
Strategic Plan Development		Core	Request for Quotation sent out to region consultants with plan
	Fiji		to deliver Fiji Strategic Plan support in November
Support	Vanuatu	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 4
	Nauru	Core	Undergoing Procurement process to contract Consultant Scheduled for Quarter 3
			Scheduled for Quarter 3
	RMI	Core	
			Scheduled for Quarter 4
Training Curriculum Support	Solomon Is.	Secondary	
	Tuvalu	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 3
	Samoa	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 3
SOPS Support	Tokelau	Secondary	Scheduled for Quarter 3
	Kiribati	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 3
BMS Support to review systems&	Tuvalu	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 3
operational environment	Tokelau	Secondary	Scheduled for Quarter 4
		Core	In process of reviewing quotations from website developers
			and intend to roll-out development of Fiji website in November
	Fiji		after issuance of contract to website developer
Website Support	Vanuatu	Core	Scheduled for quarter 4

(a) Traffick Light Summary of Secretariat Report

	Core		
Core Activity	Countries	Priority	Progress Update
COVID-19 Regional Support	All Members	Core	Ongoing: Australia confirmed roll over of funds and PIDC COVID-19 and recovery support progressively provided to all members
Regional Training Programme	l	COTE	members
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1. Online Leadership Training	All Members	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 3 in February 2023. Discussions on programme and speakers being finalised
 Online intelligence Management Programme 	All Members	Core	Completed 1 seminar session of 4. Intend to tie in the remaining 3 sessions to the face-to-face NCP/Profiling and ISWG Workshop
3. Online National Immigration Codes of Conduct Training Workshop	All Members	Core	Scheduled for Quarter 4
 NCP & Profiling Group Regional Workshop 	All Members	Core	Date to be determined in Quarter 3 Exploring with partner stakeholders on holding joint training
5. USP Postgraduate Diploma in Border Security	All Members	Core	Ongoing with USP confirmed for delivery of next course in 2023 academic year
6. Stakeholders Engagement		Core	Ongoing - Engagements completed and ongoing with OCO, PICP, IOM, UNDP, UNODC, APSC, PIFS, FFA, Pacific Fusion Centre & PTCN
7. Research	1 regional research	Core	Quarter 3: Members 3 yearly Training Needs Analysis
Governance/ RAM & Board Meetings			Ongoing One intersessional Board meeting completed First Board meeting to be completed

Key

Completed		
In progress		
To be completed/Delivered		
Delayed/Can't Complete		