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**Pacific Immigration Development Community**  
**RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS: 4 – 6 JUNE 2019**  
**2019 REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING**

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**SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES AND DECISIONS**

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**AGENDA ITEM 4**

**STATEMENT BY OUTGOING CHAIR AND INCOMING CHAIR**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **acknowledged** the presence of the Cook Islands Prime Minister, the Honourable Henry Puna at the opening of the 2019 Pacific Immigration Development Community (PIDC) Regular Annual Meeting (RAM);
- b) **noted** the statements of the Outgoing Chair and Incoming Chair and **acknowledged** and **welcomed** Cook Islands Immigration as the new Chair of PIDC; and
- c) **thanked** the Outgoing Chair for the work completed over the last financial year and **acknowledged** with appreciation Director Nemani Vuniwaqa's contribution and leadership in the 2018/19 calendar year.

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**AGENDA ITEM 5**

**WORKING PROCEDURES AND APPOINTMENT OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE**

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PIDC Members **approved** the appointment of a RAM drafting committee comprising of Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, New Zealand and chaired by Samoa.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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PIDC Members **endorsed** the 2019 Regular Annual Meeting Agenda.

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**AGENDA ITEM 7**

**SECRETARIAT REPORT**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **endorsed** the Secretariat Report regarding its activities undertaken in 2018/2019; and
- b) **welcomed** the significant work undertaken by the Secretariat to implement the Work Plan and commended the Secretariat staff for the hard work undertaken through the year.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8(A)**  
**PIDC BOARD REPORT**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **endorsed** the Board Report; and
- b) **acknowledged** in appreciation the collaborative work and achievements of the Board and the Secretariat.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8 (B)**  
**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the financial performance of the Secretariat;
- b) **welcomed** the continued financial support provided by Principal Donors, Host Country and Members;
- c) **thanked** and **acknowledged** New Zealand's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade for its continued support and commitment towards PIDC and the signing of a new 3-year funding agreement concluding in 2021;
- d) **thanked** and **acknowledged** Australia's continued support and commitment towards PIDC;
- e) **noted** the conclusion of Australia's 3-year funding agreement signed in 2016 and the current progress made in negotiating a second multi-year funding agreement;
- f) **thanked** and **acknowledged** Samoa's commitment under the Headquarters agreement to fund PIDC Secretariat's monthly utilities and rental obligations which concludes in June 2019;
- g) **thanked** Samoa for their expressed commitment to continue with the support of the Secretariat under its Headquarters Agreement indefinitely;
- h) **noted** the aged debtors;
- i) **noted** the significant underspend by Secretariat as at 30 April 2019 and the fluctuations of the PIDC accounts;
- j) **tasked** the Secretariat to ensure that PIDC Financial Accounts are always in a healthy state to avoid any significant exposure to financial risk for the organisation;
- k) **noted** the outstanding contributions and encouraged Members to become financial; and
- l) **noted** the expenditure breakdown provided.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8 (c)**  
**EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the successful completion of the external audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 under the guidance and leadership of the Chair and Board;
- b) **noted** the unqualified opinion expressed by the External Auditors and the recorded loss of WST 38,378 attributed to foreign currency exposure risks from donor funds receipted;
- c) **noted** the importance for the Secretariat to adopt the Auditors recommendations to avoid any future foreign currency exchange losses;
- d) **welcomed** the Secretariat's efforts to address further foreign currency losses;
- e) **tasked** the Secretariat to continually update the Board during the 2019/20 financial period including the 2020 RAM as part of its ongoing foreign currency exchange rate monitoring process;
- f) **noted** the urgent need to institutionalise a minimum monthly operating budget for the purposes of strengthening the financial viability and health of the organisation;
- g) **recognised** the importance of maintaining strong financial health of PIDC, noting that better management of finances against projects will assist with not using these contingency funds;
- h) **directed** the Audit and Risk Committee to closely monitor the financial health of the PIDC; and
- i) **noted** the actions taken by the Secretariat to resolve issues as highlighted by auditors and the subsequent amendments to Financial Regulations as endorsed by Board.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8 (d)**  
**MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** the commitment shown by Members in supporting the Member Contribution Fund to support PIDC activities;
- b) **noted** that Members contribute annually to the Member Contribution Fund based on a tiered approach with each tier linked to an agreed amount that was last changed at the 2014 Regular Annual Meeting;
- c) **noted** the placement in the current tier levels were last calculated and endorsed at the 2014 Regular Annual Meeting using data available at the time with some Members choosing voluntarily to be subjected to higher tiers;

- d) **noted** the exercise undertaken by the Secretariat at the direction of the Board to recalculate possible tier placement of Members using more current data;
- e) **encouraged** Members to agree to the Contribution Fund rates as appropriate based on current applied rates;
- f) **endorsed** a 5% increase of Members' subscription noting the significant benefit this increase would have on the services provided to Members;
- g) **noted** the French territories administrative changes that would impact New Caledonia's former responsibility to meet Wallis and Futuna's Membership subscription;
- h) **welcomed** New Caledonia's commitment to work towards continually supporting Wallis and Futuna's Membership subscription;
- i) **strongly encouraged** Members to pay their agreed contribution in full by August 2019; and
- j) **acknowledged** those Members who voluntarily contribute at a higher tier rate.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8 (E)**  
**GOVERNANCE RECOMMENDATIONS**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the proposed amendments to the PIDC MoU and Constitution to facilitate the outcome of Tokelau's Membership application;
- b) **endorsed** the amendments to the PIDC Rules of Procedure;
- c) **noted** the significant amendments to the PIDC Employee Regulations as endorsed by the Board; and
- d) **noted** the enhancement and clarifications made to the PIDC Financial Regulations by the Board in consideration of PIDC's operational environment.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8(F)**  
**PIDC MEMBERSHIP**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the ongoing activities undertaken to engage with suspended PIDC Members American Samoa, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands and Guam;
- b) **endorsed** the application by Tokelau to become a Member of the Pacific Immigration Development Community; and
- c) **welcomed** Tokelau into the PIDC Membership.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8(G)**  
**PIDC REGIONAL FRAMEWORK TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND PEOPLE SMUGGLING**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the activities undertaken to develop the draft PIDC Regional Framework to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling (HTPS) which is to be finalised through an iterative process;
- b) **welcomed** the significant support provided by Members and partner organisations to the PIDC Regional Executive Seminar to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling hosted by PIDC in Apia, Samoa from 13 to 15 February 2018;
- c) **noted** the revised draft PIDC Framework to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling and **agreed** to review the draft framework for possible endorsement by the end of July 2019;
- d) **noted** PIDC partner organisations' core roles in responding to Human Trafficking and People Smuggling and the need to ensure that there is no duplication of activities and responsibilities;
- e) **welcomed** the complementarity approach of the PIDC Framework utilising partner stakeholders' expertise and strengthening coordination of anti-HTPS activities in the Pacific; and
- f) **noted** that there was no additional work required for the Secretariat in the administration of the PIDC Framework to combat HTPS.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8 (H)**  
**2019/20 PIDC ANNUAL WORKPLAN AND BUDGET**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **encouraged** the Secretariat to allow flexibility and a realistic approach to the work programme; and
- b) **noted** the draft 2019/20 Annual Workplan (AWPB) and tasked the Secretariat to:
  - (i) **re-disseminate** the survey requesting Members' prioritisation preference to guide the 2019/20 Annual Work Plan;
  - (ii) **use** the survey responses to guide the amended Annual Work Plan 2019/20;
  - (iii) **identify** how far activities have been completed, by indicating what's 'completed' and 'ongoing';
  - (iv) **identify** resourcing and priority assigned to each of the activity in the AWPB;

- (v) **resubmit** the revised AWPB 2019/20 to Members inter-sessionally for consideration by Members by 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019; and
- (vi) **finalise** the AWPB by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 8(i)

##### PIDC MEMORANDUM OF ARRANGEMENT ON INFORMATION SHARING

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** and **commended** the activities of the Information Sharing Working Group (ISWG);
- b) **noted** the information and intelligence sharing Framework that provides clarification on how information is to be shared between PIDC Members, the Secretariat, PIDC structures and partner organisations;
- c) **welcomed** the establishment of the PIDC Profiling Group and **endorsed** the draft Terms of Reference developed by the ISWG;
- d) **welcomed** the unprecedented levels of information sharing undertaken through the Profiling Group and the Secretariat;
- e) **strongly encouraged** Members to contribute to this important real time information sharing platform;
- f) **welcomed** the ISWG activities undertaken to engage the Joint Inter-Agency Task Force West (JIATFW) in trialling its All Partners Access Network (APAN) secure communication system;
- g) **strongly commended** the ongoing activities of the ISWG in developing recommendations on how to strengthen information sharing to support the PIDC Membership;
- h) **noted** the need to share Members revised Immigration Acts and Regulations to support reviews being undertaken other Members; and
- i) **agreed** to consider inter-sessionally the proposed revised draft TOR for the ISWG.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 9

##### COUNTRY REPORT: WELCOME TO THE COOK ISLANDS – AN IMMIGRATION PERSPECTIVE

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** and **noted** the Cook Islands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration briefing on the Cook Islands providing an immigration perspective highlighting in particular the varying challenges to managing different stakeholder expectations; and

- b) **thanked** Cook Islands for the delivery of a video on immigration related issues in the country.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 10

##### PANEL DISCUSSION – IMMIGRATIONS ROLE IN LARGE EVENTS

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the immigration challenges associated with hosting large regional and international events;
- b) **noted** the need to establish fundamental basic processes and maintaining internal and external relationships when managing large events;
- c) **tasked** the Secretariat to work with Members to develop a set of recommended best practices manual to support PIDC Members responsibility to host future regional or international large-scale events;
- d) **noted** the opportunity to adopt a holistic approach when developing this best practice manual by taking into account the roles and responsibilities of partner stakeholders; and
- e) **noted** the opportunity to work through the Declaration of Partnership to achieve this.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 11

##### PANEL DISCUSSION – IMMIGRATION AND THE LABOUR MARKETS

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** and **noted** the experiences shared by Members in managing the challenges of foreign workers as labour receiving countries; and
- b) **noted** the work of the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat in labour mobility and the support being provided to address Small Island States labour recipient countries in the Pacific.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 12

##### PANEL DISCUSSION – MANAGING IMMIGRATION-RELATED TRANSNATIONAL CRIME

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the ongoing transnational crime threats and trends facing the region;
- b) **welcomed** the increased collaboration between PIDC Members and also the Pacific Transnational Crime Coordination Centre in sharing information;
- c) **welcomed** efforts of PIDC Members and partner organisations to work collaboratively to combat transnational crime including through capacity

building, sharing of information, targeting and development of initiatives such as the Regional Law Enforcement Declaration of Partnership and the development of a draft Regional Framework to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling;

- d) **noted** the offer by the United States Customs and Border Protection to support information sharing on gang members and transnational related crimes in the region; and
- e) **strongly encouraged** PIDC Members to develop and support specific multi-agency targeted responses to identified threats.

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### AGENDA ITEM 13

#### PANEL DISCUSSION – PIDC REGIONAL FRAMEWORK TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND PEOPLE SMUGGLING

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PIDC Members:

- (a) **noted** Vanuatu's experience in managing the biggest human trafficking case in the region and the valuable lessons learnt to combat human trafficking;
- (b) **noted** the need to share information to better manage the irregular movement of foreign nationals into the Pacific;
- (c) **noted** the activities undertaken to develop the draft PIDC Regional Framework to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling which is to be finalised through an iterative process;
- (d) **welcomed** the significant support provided by Members and partner organisations to the PIDC Regional Executive Seminar to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling hosted by PIDC in Apia, Samoa from 13 to 15 February 2018; and
- (e) **noted** the discussions held by Members in Closed Session under Agenda Item 8(g) on the revised draft PIDC Framework to Combat Human Trafficking and People Smuggling and **agreed** to review the draft framework for possible endorsement by the end of July 2019.

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### AGENDA ITEM 14

#### PANEL DISCUSSION – SMALL CRAFT MOVEMENTS AND FISHING VESSELS

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** Members experiences and lessons in working with maritime law enforcement counterparts;
- b) **reiterated** the need to proactively further strengthen the joint law enforcement Declaration of Partnership and **encouraged** the Secretariat to continue progressing joint activities under the regional partnership MOU;



- c) **noted** the need for PIDC to work with FFA to proactively address transnational crime activities in the Pacific in light of FFA's role;
- d) **recognised** that there was more work needed on Maritime Domain Awareness and the need to support maritime information sharing in spite of its complexities;
- e) **tasked** PIDC to continue to invite FFA to future PIDC meetings; and
- f) **welcomed** Australia's invitation for PIDC to participate in Australian supported Maritime Awareness training activities.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 15

##### PANEL DISCUSSION: AIRCRAFTS

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** Members best practises in managing airline operational relationships;
- b) **recognised** that airline relationships are based on a "required necessity";
- c) **encouraged** Members to invest in strengthening airline relationships as this would build more long-term returns;
- d) **noted** the value of legislating aircraft responsibility to obligate airline roles; and
- e) **encouraged** the Secretariat to simplify the language of the relevant Standard Operating Procedures for ease of reference of operational staff.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 16

##### PANEL DISCUSSION: COMPLIANCE

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PIDC Members:

- (a) **noted** Members' best practices in undertaking immigration compliance work;
- (b) **considered** developing Standard Operating Procedures for immigration compliance activities;
- (c) **encouraged** Members to ratify the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime and its associated Protocols on People Smuggling and Human Trafficking;
- (d) **noted** the obligations in ratifying international conventions and **encouraged** UNODC to work with PIDC on those Members that had not signed and what interim measures could be put in place to support the progression of this ratification process; and
- (e) **recognised** the efforts put in by New Zealand to address processing times for criminal deportee information and **further encouraged** partnerships and facilitation with "Receiving" Countries.

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**AGENDA ITEM 17**  
**PANEL DISCUSSION: BORDER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** the experiences shared by Nauru, Republic of Marshall Islands (RMI), and Vanuatu in implementing new Border Management Systems (BMS) and contributions from observer organisations, International Office of Migration and United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD);
- b) **noted** the major BMS challenges of Member countries including managing immigration data, understanding BMS training requirements and sustaining maintenance costs of BMS systems in the long term; and
- c) **tasked** the Secretariat to assist Small Islands State Members in exploring options for support to introduce a Border Management System appropriate to their national environments.

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**AGENDA ITEM 18**  
**UPDATE REPORT: DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT**

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PIDC Members:

- (a) **welcomed** the ongoing activities undertaken by the Secretariat to assist Members develop mechanisms to collect and manage data;
- (b) **noted** the feedback provided by pilot countries (Solomon Islands and Palau) using the PIDC Enforcement Data Collection Tool;
- (c) **endorsed** additional funding support for Palau and the Solomon Islands next phase of their data management programme with PIDC; and
- (d) **endorsed** the request by Members for continued support for assistance in strengthening data collection and management capacity.

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**AGENDA ITEM 19**  
**PANEL DISCUSSION: INFORMATION SHARING AND CHALLENGES**

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This agenda item reflects discussions undertaken in Closed Session during Agenda Item 8(i) where PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** and **commended** the activities of the Information Sharing Working Group (ISWG);
- b) **noted** the information and intelligence sharing Framework that provides clarification on how information is to be shared between PIDC Members, the Secretariat, PIDC structures and partner organisations;

- c) **welcomed** the establishment of the PIDC Profiling Group and **endorsed** the draft Terms of Reference developed by the ISWG;
- d) **welcomed** the unprecedented levels of information sharing undertaken through the Profiling Group and the Secretariat;
- e) **strongly encouraged** Members to contribute to this important real time information sharing platform;
- f) **welcomed** the ISWG activities undertaken to engage the Joint Inter-Agency Task Force West (JIATFW) in trialling its All Partners Access Network (APAN) secure communication system;
- g) **strongly commended** the ongoing activities of the ISWG in developing recommendations on how to strengthen information sharing to support the PIDC Membership;
- h) **noted** the need to share Members revised Immigration Acts and Regulations to support reviews being undertaken for other Members; and
- i) **agreed** to consider inter-sessionally the proposed revised draft TOR for the ISWG.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 20

##### PANEL DISCUSSION: BORDER AGENCIES AT THE FRONT LINE

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the strengths and challenges of sharing immigration border roles with customs and police;
- b) **noted** how PIDC can support Members in improving their shared border responsibilities;
- c) **noted** the need to access Advanced Passenger Information (API)/ Passenger, Name Record (PNR) to support front line border operations;
- d) **noted** the need for Donors to better coordinate regional systems support for frontline operations in the region; and
- e) **tasked** the Secretariat to document lessons on how to best manage the primary line and the important border relationships.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 21

##### PANEL DISCUSSION: EVIDENCE-BASED DECISION MAKING

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the importance of evidence-based decision making for the effective and efficient operation of PIDC immigration agencies;

- b) **welcomed** the experiences shared by the panellists highlighting their processes undertaken to collect evidence as a basis to guide measurement of performance or justify key institutional decisions such as allocation of resources;
- c) **noted** the various resources, approaches and tools that can be used to collect data and information as an evidentiary basis to support critical decision-making; and
- d) **tasked** the Secretariat in consultation with partner organisations to develop a simple to use PIDC research tool kit containing simple but useful resources, guidelines and tools to measure and record critical immigration related data to support evidence-based decision making at the various levels.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 22**

##### **PANEL DISCUSSION – CHANGES TO LEGISLATION**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the panellist discussions and learnings regarding their legislation review project;
- b) **welcomed** the work undertaken as part of the PIDC Legislation Strengthening and Modernisation Programme;
- c) **welcomed** the experiences shared by Kiribati and Tuvalu to review and modernise their immigration legislation; and
- d) **encouraged** the Secretariat to continue providing support in advancing this important work noting the activities undertaken in the 2019/20 Work Plan.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 23**

##### **PANEL DISCUSSION: KEY IMMIGRATION POLICY DRIVERS FOR THE PACIFIC ISLAND COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the key immigration policy drivers identified by panellists; and
- b) **welcomed** the ongoing drafting of the PIDC Policy Development Framework to provide a high-level resource for Members with a guide on relevant evidence-based approaches to support implementation of priority policies.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 24**

##### **THE BOE DECLARATION ON REGIONAL SECURITY AND RELATED REGIONAL INITIATIVES**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **noted** the ongoing activities being undertaken to implement the Boe Declaration on Regional Security through the development of a regional Action Plan;
- b) **noted** ongoing efforts to develop regional initiatives such as the Pacific Fusion Centre and the Pacific Security College to strengthen regional security;
- c) **tasked** the Secretariat to continue providing support to these important activities to ensure that PIDC Members can contribute to and benefit from the regional initiatives;
- d) **tasked** the Secretariat to ensure Members remain briefed on the activities being undertaken to develop the Boe Declaration Action Plan, Pacific Fusion Centre and Pacific Security College;
- e) **noted** the security coordination reporting restructure that PIFS is adopting to support the communication of strategic security issues in the region to leaders;
- f) **welcomed** the establishment of the Forum Officials Sub-Committee (FOC) on Regional Security Cooperation (similar to the former FRSC) that has been expanded to include other regional and international stakeholders in the security space;
- g) **welcomed** Australia's ongoing investment on the establishment of the Fusion Centre, **noting** its appreciation of Members sovereignty on national security issues; and
- h) **encouraged** Members to support these regional mechanisms through provision of direct feedback to guide in their development.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 25**

##### **WORKSHOP 1: HIGH RISK WAIVER COUNTRY BEST PRACTISES**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **discussed** Members' experiences and lessons in monitoring high risk visa waiver countries;
- b) **tasked** the Secretariat to consolidate best practises and standards to manage high risk visa waiver countries as part of the Model PIDC Standard Operating Procedures Manual; and
- c) **tasked** the Secretariat to analyse the RAM workshop outcomes to develop recommendations for the Board to consider at its first meeting in the 2019/20 financial period for possible inclusion in the Annual Work Plan.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 26**

##### **INTEGRATED BORDER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS OF THE FUTURE**

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** the presentation provided by the International Organisation for Migration regarding integrated border management systems of the future;
- b) **noted** the key issues raised and the possible impacts to PIDC Members and the regional environment;
- c) **noted** that Members are immigration experts and should proactively work towards recommending sound advice to develop and strengthen immigration agencies through integrated approaches for the future;
- d) **welcomed** the commitment for partnership approaches between IOM and UNCTAD regarding BMS interoperability; and
- e) **tasked** the Secretariat to engage with partner organisations to highlight technological advances that may impact PIDC Members and their operations in the next 5 to 10 years.

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## AGENDA ITEM 27

### OBSERVER ORGANISATION PRESENTATIONS

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** and **noted** the presentations provided by observer organisations to support the Regular Annual Meeting and also updates provided under this Agenda Item by:
  - (i) Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police (PICP);
  - (ii) Oceania Customs Organisation (OCO);
  - (iii) Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS);
  - (iv) Pacific Transnational Crime Coordinating Centre (PTCCC);
  - (v) United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Regional Centre for East Asia and the Pacific;
  - (vi) International Organisation for Migration (IOM);
  - (vii) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR);
  - (viii) Bali Process Regional Support Office (RSO);
  - (ix) United States Customs and Border Protection (USCBP),
  - (x) Platform on Disaster Displacement;
  - (xi) UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD);
  - (xii) Joint Inter Agency Task-Force West; and
  - (xiii) University of the South Pacific (USP).
- b) **welcomed** the attendance of observer organisations including:
  - (i) Canada Citizenship and Immigration General of Canada; and
  - (ii) Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).
- c) **recognised** the value of cooperation and strengthening of relationships between PIDC, Members and other regional and international agencies working in the area of migration; and
- d) **encouraged** Members to access and take advantage of the services and expertise provided by Observers and recommended that Members utilise what observers have to offer.

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## AGENDA ITEM 28

### PANEL DISCUSSION: CAPACITY BUILDING IN THE PIDC REGION

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PIDC Members:

- a) **welcomed** the capacity building activities undertaken by PIDC Members, Secretariat and partner organisations to advance the 2018/19 PIDC annual work plan;
- b) **encouraged** the Secretariat to continue engaging with partner organisations in delivering capacity and capability development programmes for Members;
- c) **welcomed** the update provided on the University of the South Pacific's (USP) proposed Post Graduate Certificate and Diploma on Border Security academic programme for immigration officers in the Pacific;
- d) **noted** the need to incorporate into the USP Post Graduate Certificate and Diploma on Border Security modules on "climate change" and "Immigration Border Management Systems and Processes"
- e) **supported** and **endorsed** the proposed USP academic programme;
- f) **tasked** the Secretariat to continue working with USP to develop the proposed academic programme for commencement in 2020; and
- g) **strongly encouraged** Members to nominate appropriate officers to form the first cohort of funded PIDC students.

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## AGENDA ITEM 29

### WORKSHOP II: WORKPLACE WELLBEING

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PIDC Members were **encouraged** to support well-being initiatives in the work place.

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## AGENDA ITEM 30

### WORKSHOP III: HOW CAN I GET THE MOST OUT OF PIDC

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PIDC Members **tasked** the Secretariat to undertake a regional survey to obtain Members preference on what Members require in the annual work plan.

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## AGENDA ITEM 31

### 2020 REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

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PIDC Members:

- (a) **welcomed** Tuvalu's offer to host the 2020 Regular Annual Meeting pending a final decision from the capital, and **tasked** the Secretariat to work with Tuvalu to obtain approval from the capital and advise Members inter-sessionally; and

(b) **endorsed** Tuvalu becoming the In-coming Vice Chair

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**AGENDA ITEM 32**

**ELECTION OF PIDC BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2019/2020**

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PIDC Members **endorsed** the Board Members for the 2019/20 period as follows:

- a) Chair – Cook Islands
- b) Incoming Vice Chair – Tuvalu
- c) Outgoing Vice Chair – Fiji
- d) Micronesia – Federated States of Micronesia
- e) Polynesia – Tonga
- f) Melanesia – Vanuatu
- g) Small Island States – Kiribati
- h) Host country – Samoa
- i) Principal Donor – Australia
- j) Principal Donor – New Zealand

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**AGENDA ITEM 33**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

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PIDC Members discussed additional training and **welcomed** New Caledonia's offer to provide specialist trainers to support PIDC Members capacity building programmes.

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**AGENDA ITEM 34**

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PIDC Members **adopted** the 2019 Regular Annual Meeting Communiqué and Summary of Outcomes and Decisions.