



Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme
TWENTY-FIRST SPREP MEETING
 Madang, Papua New Guinea
 6 – 10 September 2010

Agenda Item 2: Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

Purpose of Paper

1. The “*Rules of Procedure of the SPREP Meeting*” (Rules 8.1 and 8.2), provides that where the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall rotate alphabetically, and where the Meeting is not hosted by the Secretariat, the Chair shall be provided by the host country.

2. Accordingly, the **Chair** of the Twenty-First SPREP Meeting shall be **Papua New Guinea**, the host country.

3. Rule 8.3 also provide that the Vice-Chair shall rotate alphabetically whether or not the Meeting is hosted by the Secretariat. The Vice-Chair of the Twentieth SPREP Meeting was **Tokelau**. Under the principle of alphabetical rotation, therefore, **Tonga** should be appointed **Vice-Chair** of the Twenty-First SPREP Meeting.

Recommendation

4. The Meeting is invited to:

- **confirm** the Representative of **Papua New Guinea** as **Chair**; and
- **confirm** the Representative of **Tonga** as **Vice-Chair**.

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