

Cc: Richard Dirks {
Subject: Pacific fisheries

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Hi there

Recently the Minister has had conversations with John and Gerard about coverage of Pacific fisheries issues. He is keen to follow up. I thought about rephrasing him but better that you read his comments verbatim.

"There are two major areas in which New Zealand can make its mark as a country that does stuff that matters to SIDS by the time we get to Samoa. The first is renewable energy and I am happy that we have a good story to tell here.

The second is Pacific Fisheries and by comparison we have a very ordinary story to tell.

On the energy front we are right out there dealing with the biggest economic and environmental cost facing PICs. By contrast fisheries is the biggest economic asset and opportunity and we are doing little more than throw some tens of millions of under managed dollars at it and hoping for the best.

We need an activist capacity to take the resources we are investing and assert real leadership.

It is simply not credible that we should be bystanders on this matter when we have a resource that is now worth nearly \$4b US annually returning so little value to its owners - particularly when we foot the bill for increased aid to compensate for the lack of income they confront.

We have over \$50m committed to sensible programmes and about \$8m to the new fisheries academy in Tarawa. But we are wasting our money if we don't create an activist capacity to move the region forward on the key issues.

A few well meaning officials attending the regular conferences is just not achieving enough. We need to sort this out now to give ourselves a story to tell by the time we get to the SIDS conference.

My own view is that appointing an ambassador to play an activist role is our only course forward."

Speaks for itself really. He is keen for feedback from the Ministry on how you see this issue, whether an ambassador is the best way to amplify our work and whether you have any ideas of who could be useful in the role. Happy to take informal comments for now.

Billie

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From: ALLEN, John (CEO) Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 2:08 p.m. To: 'Billie Moore' Subject: RE: Pacific Economic Development Ambassa্বীত Great thanks. I am seeing Shane tomorrow evening. I will let you know how I get on John. From: Billie Moore [mailto] parliament.govt.nz] Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 2:01 p.m. To: ALLEN, John (CEO) Cc: CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office) Subject: Pacific Economic Development Ambassador Hi John Some content that may be useful. Billie The Government has decided to appoint an Ambassador for Pacific Economic Development.

The role will be New Zealand-based and include significant interaction with other Government agencies and various divisions within MFAT. It will involve significant engagement with Pacific Governments at the most senior level.

A particular focus of the role will be to work towards lifting the returns for Pacific nations from their fisheries resources, especially the region's tuna resource currently worth around US \$5billion a year, but yielding less than 10% return to its owners. The role will also cover developing capacity in agriculture and aquaculture, supplementing the tens of millions of dollars in development funding that is programmed in fisheries and agriculture over the next few years. The role will also touch on, but not lead, New Zealand's engagement in the Pacer Plus negotiations and the highly successful Recognised Seasonal Employer Scheme.

The appointment will be for three years.

Billie Moore From: \_\_\_parliament.govt.nz> Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2014 8:28 p.m. To: CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office) Subject: Shane Jones Hi Sarah - this Q&A for TV3 looked like it would be useful reference for John. Billie i) Why was Shane Jones approached for the role? ii) Why was he selected for the role? iii) When did discussions with Jones about the role begin? iv) When was he offered the role? v) What will the role of "Pacific Economic Ambassadoy" involve vi) Was there any political motive behind the appointment (i,e) attempt to destabilise Labour?) We were keen to establish a role to leverage our considerable aid spend on economic development. When we looked at who might be best qualified for such a role Shane Jones was at the top of the list. He has not been selected. He has been asked whether he was interested. Clearly he needed to conclude his Parliamentary obligations in order to be available. If that is what is happening then I am delighted. Mr Jones and I have travelled in the region and discussed Pacific economic development issues over several years. Discussion about this particular role occurred early this year, after I had discussed the need for it with the Ministry. New Zealand spends over \$300m a year in the Pagific. An increasing proportion of that is in the economic development area, especially in fisheries, agriculture and tourism. In my view we need this role to leverage these investments more effectively both for New Zealand taxpayers and the Pacific region. However, with the Small Islands Developing States Conference taking place in Samoa later this year, our focus needs to be wider than just the Pacific. My responsibility is to appoint the best person for the job. Politics has not influenced other decisions I have made for example appointing Wike Moore to Washington - and nor would it influence this one.

### CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office)

From:

HAWKE, Craig (DS IDG)

Sent:

Friday, 23 May 2014 9:40 a.m.

To:

CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office); NEEDS, Andrew (PAC); ROWE, Jonathan (DS IDG);

ROBERTS, Liewellyn (PAC)

Cc:

CORRY, Bede (DS APE)

Subject:

Re: Shane Jones : Immediate work priorities [SEC=RESTRICTED]

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HI Sarah

Jonathan and I had a chat last night. He is looking at this and will feed in any views.

Craig

From: CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office) Sent: Friday, May 23, 2014 09:33 AM

To: NEEDS, Andrew (PAC); ROWE, Jonathan (DS IDG); ROBERTS, Llewellyn (PAC)

**Cc**: CORRY, Bede (DS APE); HAWKE, Craig (DS IDG) **Subject**: RE: Shane Jones : Immediate work priorities

### [RESTRICTED]

Gidday – I appreciate that many of you are in Auckland today. However I do need this list fleshed out in readiness for John to hand it across to Shane when he meets him Monday morning.

So could I ask you please to feed to me any additions/amendments by <u>0900 Monday morning</u> which is the very latest I will be able to turn around a refreshed draft for the CE. Obviously enough if you can get me contributions ahead of that I'd appreciate it. Needless to say this is an important exercise to get right as it will form the basis of our initial tasking of Shane.

Many thanks, Sarah

From: CORRY, Bede (DS APE)

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 5:50 p.m.

**To:** NEEDS, Andrew (PAC) **Cc:** CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office)

Subject: RE: Shane Jones: Immediate work priorities

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OK thanks - can you pse fwd to Sarah ASAP?

Tks

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From: NEEDS, Andrew (PAC)

**Sent:** Thursday, 22 May 2014 2:16 p.m.

To: CORRY, Bede (DS APE)

Subject: RE: Shane Jones: Immediate work priorities

### [RESTRICTED]

There is plenty of travel related to the key elements of his jd. He needs to be out and about early. We will put something together. There are also additional strands to some of the economic stuff that we can incorporate.

From: CORRY, Bede (DS APE)

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 12:52 p.m.

To: NEEDS, Andrew (PAC)

Subject: FW: Shane Jones: Immediate work priorities

Importance: High

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Andrew.

Are there any additional 'priorities' you can identify for Shane. It'll be particularly useful to focus on "stuff he can do" as opposed to "things he can be briefed on"

Cheers.

Bede

From: CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office)

Sent: Thursday, 22 May 2014 12:27 p.m.

To: CORRY, Bede (DS APE); HAWKE, Craig (DS IDG)

Cc: ALLEN, John (CEO)

Subject: Shane Jones: Immediate work priorities

Importance: High

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Gidday - I'm going to need help from your teams in fleshing out some of these headings - i.e. on SIDs and the fisheries piece in particular, but here's what I think we landed this morning...

### **Immediate Work Priorities**

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### Pacific Fisheries issues:

- Getting across the various interests/roles of IDG, PAC and LGL
- Being briefed on IDG project work in particular 0
- ــ ـــ Visiting the Forum Fisheries Agency, and engaging with PICs on fisheries issues

o Identifying a work programme for building a domestic constituency to support the Government's fisheries objectives in the Pacific

### SIDS issues:

Getting up to speed on planning for the SIDS Conference, including in particular NZ's objectives in respect of policy deliverables and side programme events 0

õ Supporting the SIDs team as appropriate/requested in advocating for NZ positions within the region

Attending the SIDs conference in Apia

### **Broader Pacific issues:**

o Participating in the PM's Pacific Mission 2-6 June (;

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Anything else?

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### CRAIG, Sarah (CEO Office)

From:

ROWE, Jonathan (DS IDG)

Sent:

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Cc:

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Subject:

RE: Shane Jones: Immediate work priorities

**Attachments:** 

Ambassador Pacific Eco Dev - Immediate Work Priorities.docx

### [RESTRICTED]

Hi Sarah,

The PAC and IDG teams have inputted into the immediate work priorities doc (attached – also in text form below for blackberry readers).

The doc is supported by a near-final programme and more detailed list of key contacts, meetings and support documents. These will be sent out shortly, and can be tidied up on Monday morning if necessary.

High Commissioner to

Ambassador Pacific Economic Development

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	in Honiara, to meet
	with the Director
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	Director General
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	Mission to Polynesia,
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	links with Samoa,
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	Attending the Pacific
	Cooperation
24 June	Foundation's Pacific
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	Auckland (if in
	New Zealand at this
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28 June	New Zealand at the
– 7 July	Annual Forum
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	Representing
	New Zealand at the Forum Economic and
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	Meeting in Honiara,
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Regards,

### Jonathan Rowe

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24 June	Attending the Pacific Cooperation Foundation's Pacific Wave conference in Auckland (if in New Zealand at this time)
28 June – 7 July	Representing New Zealand at the Annual Forum Fisheries Ministerial (FFCMIN10) in Atafu, Tokelau
8 – 11 July	Representing New Zealand at the Forum Economic and Health Ministers' Meeting in Honiara, Solomon Islands
28 July = 1 August	Attending the 45 <sup>th</sup> Pacific Islands Forum in Palau, the key Pacific regional meeting of the year
28-30 Aug	Presenting at New Zealand Fisheries Side Event in the pre-week of the SIDS conference
1 - 4 Sept	Attending the Conference on SIDS



### **Role Description**

**Position Title** 

Ambassador Pacific Economic Development

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CEO's Office

Location

Auckland

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Chief Executive

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May 2014

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About the Ministry

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade works to make New Zealand's voice heard overseas and contributes directly to the security and well-being of all New Zealanders.

Our vision is to give New Zealand an edge internationally.

Our mission is to create the conditions for New Zealand to thrive and to make its mark as a global citizen by:

- Being in the right places at the right time to actively drive new opportunities for New Zealand as well as to manage threats
- Building connections at home and internationally that enable us to achieve more than we could alone
- Taking a distinctively New Zealand approach, reflecting our diversity and heritage of integrity in foreign affairs
- Maintaining the highest standards of professional excellence in diplomacy, trade negotiations, international development and consular services

Our values are professionalism, leadership, respect, collaboration and innovation.

# Our role in the Pacific

New Zealand's interests in the Pacific are significant. There are international and domestic components, common economic, social, environment and security engagements, and political and constitutional links. The historical, cultural and people connections are deep. A common thread to our involvement is improving economic growth, security, governance and sustainable development outcomes for Pacific Island countries.

# About the Position

The primary purpose of the role is to engage at a senior level with key players in New Zealand and in partner countries to support the Government in fostering better economic development and growth in the Pacific.

The role is intended to leverage the significant investment of New Zealand development and diplomatic resources into coherent and effective strategies.

The role will entail conducting dialogue with Pacific Leaders and Ministers on behalf of the New Zealand Foreign Minister, advocating for improved policy responses to complement New Zealand's initiatives, and working to improve the design and implementation of New Zealand programmes.

The role extends to all areas of ecomonmic development opportunity in the Pacific and to New Zealand's engagement with Small Island Developing States more generally. The focus of the role is to advocate and provide advice on how our engagement can maximise PICs' economic benefit from natural resources, particularly fisheries and aquaculture, which are seen as real opportunities for significant and measurable improvement.

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### Delegations

Full delegations are set out in the Ministry's Instrument of Delegations. This sets out the Financial and Human Resources delegations.

### Relationships

The position is required to build and maintain the following relationships:

Internal (within MFAT)

### CEO

- Deputy Secretary, International Development
- Deputy Secretary, Pacific, Middle East, Africa and Europe
- Divisional Manager Pacific
- Director, Pacific Development, IDG
- Director, Sustainable Economic Development
- Multilateral and Legal Affairs Group
- Other divisional managers
- Division and group staff (including at posts)
- Other MFAT staff, both onshore and offshore and particularly those located throughout the Pacific

### External (outside MFAT)

- Minister/s
- Other government departments and agencies particularly those involved in NZ Inc and with economic and sustainable growth in Primary Industries across the Pacific
- Foreign governments and their diplomatic missions and senior government officials
- Business, academia, regional and international organisations and institutions, researchers
- Relevant commercial entities including those with demonstrated experience developing indigenous interests in fishing, aquaculture and associated natural resources.

# Key accountabilities

The following key accountabilities of this role assist in delivering the Ministry's vision and mission.

### Role specific

### Strategic leadership

- Ensure that New Zealand's role in respect of improving the economic performance of Pacific countries takes a strategic approach. Maintain a focus on all areas of economic development opportunity with a strong emphasis on improved returns from fisheries and aquaculture and through the contribution this makes to the GDP of Pacific countries.
- Ensure that this strategic approach results in actions that will support the achievement of tangible results for Pacific nations, working closely with relevant MFAT divisions and off-shore missions.
- Support the government's agenda for sustainable economic development though strategically focused aid investment, and commercial capacity building.
- Support improved conservation and management of the Pacific fisheries resource.
- Ensure that the relevant areas within the New Zealand Government take a co-ordinated / joined-up approach to our opportunities to support sustainable economic development of natural resources across the Pacific.

### Stakeholder relationship management

 On behalf of the New Zealand Foreign Minister, lead engagement with Pacific Leaders and Ministers, senior Government representatives from Pacific countries in

- relation to sustainable economic development, conservation and management of fisheries and aquaculture resources.
- Build relationships with business, government, diplomatic representatives, and regional and international organisations.
- Act as a conduit between the stakeholders and interested parties in Pacific fisheries development, management and conservation.
- Facilitate coordination between government agencies involved in fisheries management and primary industries in support of a strategy to maximise the economic benefit Pacific Island countries derive from their natural resources.
- Promote the Ministry's role in foreign policy, aid and trade in order to increase awareness of the value we add and the leadership role of the Ministry.
- Represent New Zealand as required at selected regional and international meetings (for example Forum Fisheries Agency etc).

### Stakeholder advice and development

- Develop and influence relationships with decision-makers, policy-makers, thinkers and influencers
- Develop and maintain relationships with key internal and external stakeholders in order to advance these objectives
- Provide value add advice and support to stakeholders in order to support the expansion of opportunities for development of natural resources, particularly fisheries and aquaculture.
- Facilitate business mentoring arrangements to further the development of fishing and aquaculture commercial activities under Pacific ownership and to support the growth commercial capability and capacity.
- Provide advice on the development of Pacific? fishing interests, the importance of protecting traditional subsistence fishing while pursuing sustainable commercial development and growth.
- Ensure Pacific interests in fisheries are promoted through access to relevant research, expertise, business models, advisors and relevant institutions.

### Small Island Developing States

- Lead innovation in approaches to the economic growth and development of Small Island Developing States at a Pacific and International level. Share the successes of the Pacific and the lessons learned with the international community and learn from the successes of other Small Island Developing States and adapt these to the Pacific.
- Attend the Small Islands Developing States conference in 2014 (and subsequently) and leverage this to support significant initatives that flow out of this conference.
- Build relationships with key players to grow the influence of New Zealand and to further the development agenda for Small Island Developing States.

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### Policy Delivery

- Stimulate policy development on issues relevant to improving the economic benefit derived from conservation, management and sustainable development of natural resources, particularly fisheries, by Pacific countries. Lead the agreed activity stream to achieve its strategic priorities and high-level outcomes, identifying problems and leading processes for implementing steps to resolve them.
- Work with the Minister to improve the design and implementation of New Zealand programmes.
- Proactively search out and pursue opportunities for New Zealand to work with Pacific countries to advance towards economic sustainability.
- Work to ensure a seamless NZ Inc. delivery of policy goals taking close account of the interests of key stakeholders.
- Encourage an environment where existing assumptions and policy approaches are regularly tested and challenged.
   Challenge current thinking and introduce new perspectives.

- Lead the effective gathering of information, analysis, and reporting on issues relevant to Pacific fishing and Pacific countries' strategic priorities and high level outcomes.
- Represent New Zealand in bilateral, regional, and international meetings and/or negotiations as required.

### Ministerial Servicing

 Ensure any required input and contribution to the work of the MFAT's Executive Services Division is given the necessary priority and meets the high standard required

### Advocacy

- Advocate for New Zealand's interests in supporting Pacific development (in particular sustainable fisheries development), and report to Wellington on outcomes.
- Advocate for improved policy responses to complement New Zealand's initiatives in relation to sustainable economic development in the Pacific and in relation to Small Islands Developing States.

### Public Diplomacy

 Assist in the development and implementation of an effective, integrated programme of activities using relevant modes of delivery including social media to strategically promote New Zealand's influence in the Pacific.

### Visits and Events

- Assist Pacific Posts with visits and events within the remit of this position.
- Escort key high level visitors as required and ensure accurate reporting and follow-up

### Organisational Responsibilities

- Demonstrate and lead alignment with the organisation's values, goals, policies and procedures
- Understand and apply the strategic context in which the Ministry operates, including priorities and perspectives of the Ministers, partner agencies and external stakeholders
- Contribute to the preparation and reporting requirements of the Ministry's accountability documents
- Actively input into and support the Ministry's strategic priorities and high-level outcomes framework
- Foster strong working relationships across the Ministry
- Contribute to Ministry-wide projects and emergency

### response situations

- Apply tikanga and Treaty of Waitangi principles, ensuring the Ministry Māori dimension is applied in a way that is relevant to the context of our business and underpinned by Ministry values
- Actively lead and promote Ministry health and safety policies and procedures
- The role specific accountability set out in this position description may be amended from time to time by the employer where necessary to ensure alignment with the Ministry's priorities.
- All other duties as requested by the employer

### Knowledge Management

 Contribute to the continuous development of the Ministry's knowledge base by using the Ministry's internal systems, sharing information and data with relevant internal stakeholders, including contributing to/presenting at internal learning and development opportunities

Qualifications, skills, knowledge and experience

You must have the following qualifications, skills and experience:

- Relevant post graduate degree or conjoint/double undergraduate degree
- Understanding at a strategic level, the political, economic and social structures of Pacific countries and territories and the ability to apply this to high quality delivery of policy advice
- Understanding at a strategic level, the key opportunities and risks for New Zealand in its bilateral and regional relationships in the Pacific
- A high level of leadership and influence. This includes:
  - Leading and having influence over those you do not manage or control
  - Showing the drive and resilience to lead proactively and deliver sustainable high performance
  - Demonstrating the drive and ability to improve own capability. Includes self-awareness and selfimprovement focus
  - Ability to lead, implement and champion organisational change

- Demonstrated ability to lead government-wide projects and implement initiatives.
- Excellent written and verbal skills with the ability to communicate issues and concepts clearly, succinctly, and with influence.
- Demonstrated ability to build, maintain, and leverage relationships with key contacts, particularly at the political level, and with peers to secure influence for New Zealand and the Pacific.
- Strong business acumen and the ability to work effectively in a commercial context.
- Sound knowledge of and experience with fisheries issues and management.
- Appreciation of indigenous fishing interests, the importance of protecting traditional subsistence use and sustainable commercial development and growth.
- Experience working with others to develop agreed solutions.
- Well-developed planning and organisational skills, including the ability to prioritise tasks effectively and work under pressure.
- Strong client focus, with the ability to communicate effectively with a range of people.
- Demonstrated understanding of tikanga and the Treaty of Waitangi principles and an appreciation of Te Reo Māori.
- Demonstrated commitment to continuous improvement, including adaptability and openness to change.
- Ability to anticipate issues and problems and think of and implement creative solutions.
- Demonstrated ability to promote and model New Zealand and Ministry values and behaviours.
- Strong personal integrity and an honest and ethical approach.
- Competence in Microsoft Office suite, including strong skills in Outlook, Word, and Excel.
- Financial proficiency and successful budget management experience.
- Where relevant to the role, demonstrated language ability would be an advantage.

# Additional Comments

### You must also:

- Hold New Zealand citizenship
- Be able to obtain and maintain an appropriate New Zealand Government security clearance

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### AMBASSADOR FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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### HIGH COMMISSIONER DESIGNATE

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### **IMMEDIATE WORK PRIORITIES**

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16-17 June Oceans Conference new york

### **Briefing Plan for**

### High Commissioner

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### Ambassador Pacific Economic Development

Issue	Key Documents	Participants
Meeting with CEO	Immediate work priorities	John Allen (CEO)
	Position description	Sarah Craig (CEO Office)
		Craig Hawke (DS IDG)
		Bede Cory (DS APE)
Lunch with DS	Work plan for first 100 days	Craig Hawke (DS IDG)
		Bede Cory (DS APE)
Sustainable Economic	To be confirmed	Mike Burrell (SED)
Development in the		David Nicholson (PACDEV)
Pacific		Andrew Needs (PAC)
Fisheries	NZ International Fisheries Strategy	Mike Burrell (SED)
	Pacific Fisheries - matrix of activity and	Paul Wallis (SED)
	options, Feb 2014.docx	Penny Ridings (LGL)
	Pacific fisheries matrix cover note, Gerard	Rosemary Patterson (LGL)
	van Bohemen, Feb 2014.docx	Rebecca Wood (PAC)
	MFA Sub on PNA CE visit, amended May	Llewellyn Roberts (PAC)
	2014.docx	Nathan Glassy (ENV)
		Jane Willing (MPI)
		Don Syme (MPI)
		Jo Anderson (MPI)
Small Islands Developing	SIDS background brief (FTMM)	Jonathan Kings (SIDS/SRU)
States (SIDS) Conference	Fisheries Side Event - Concept Note for	Stuart Horne (SIDS)
	MFA.docx	Callie Stewart (SIDS)
		Rebecca Wood (PAC)
ID Cards	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Paul Holmes (SEC)
Payroll Briefing	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Suzanne Wilson (HRG)
Security Briefing	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Mary-Anne Crompton (SEC)
ICT Training	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Clive Glasgow (IMD)
Accreditations Briefing	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Mary Oliver (PRD)
Audit Briefing	To be provided at briefing (if required)	Richard Leverington (AUD)
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# Pacific Regional Meetings and Events - June to August 2014

This document provides a high level overview of key Pacific regional meetings and activity over the next three months, and highlights in blue those in which the Ambassador for Pacific Economic Development and could play a key role.

Date	Meeting, Event or Issue	Purpose and Objectives	Attending	Action division
27-28 May	Forum Trade Ministers Meeting (FTMM) Tarawa, Kiribati	The FTMM provides trade ministers with the opportunity to discuss trade issues affecting Forum members, and to channel recommendations to leaders. PACER Plus negotiations will be the key discussion point at FTMM.	Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs John Hayes Deighton Conder	PAC regional
June (visit and date TBC)	Visit: Transform Aqorau, CE of the Parties to the Nauru Agreement (PNA) office Auckland/Wellington	The proposed visit would focus on exchanging fisheries management experience and ideas $\Box$	MFA (subject to availability) Ambassador Pacific Economic Development Rebecca Wood	PAC regional
June (visit and date TBC)	Visit by Ambassador Pacific Economic Development to the Forum Fisheries Agency	The proposed visit would provide an early opportunity for the Ambassador to engage with the leadership of the Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA), to discuss the current fisheries environment (stocks, economic outlook etc), the key opportunities and the challenges facing the region. The visit will ideally take place prior to the FFC Ministerial (see below).	Ambassador Pacific Economic Development	PAC regional and SED
1-5 June	<b>PM's Polynesia mission</b> Samoa, Tonga, Niue	The Prime Minister's visit to Polynesia reinforces the close links New Zealand shares with its Pacific neighbours, specifically Samoa, Tonga and Niue. The objectives for the mission include; emphasising the	Prime Minister Business delegation Bede Corry Andrew Needs David Nicholson	PAC bilateral

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		importance New Zealand places on these bilateral relationships, discussing current priorities in development assistance and advancing specific bilateral initiatives as identified by host governments.		
2-6 June	Forum Regional Security Committee (FRSC)	The annual meeting of the FRSC is the principal regional forum on political security and governance	Llewellyn Roberts Duncan McDonald	PAC regional
	Suva, Fiji	issues. The meeting discusses regional security issues such as civil unrest, transnational crime, terrorism, and coordinates regional responses to identified		
		threats and concerns. The FRSC prepares recommendations for the annual Forum Officials Committee Meeting.		
3-6 June	PNG SOE Minister Micah and PNG State Services Minister Temu			PAC bilateral (PNG)
	New Zealand			
10-13	Pacer Plus Intersessional meeting		Liewellyn Roberts	PAC regional
June	Adelaide, Australia		Deighton Conder	
16-17	Secretary John Kerry's "Our Ocean" meeting		MFA	ENV/AMER
June	Washington DC, USA		Gerard van Bohemen	
18-20 June	Pacific Islands Development Forum		Mark Ramsden (TBC)	
	Nadi, Fiji			
18 June	Pacific Day Washington	Pacific Day is the annual celebration of Pacific ideas, cultures and food, in Washington DC. Pacific Day is	Ulu of Tokelau	PAC regional and
	Washington DC, USA	hosted by the Washington Pacific Committee, which is made up of embassies and offices of Pacific Island	Jonathan Kings	SRU
		countries, states and territories in Washington and New York, and has been held at the New Zealand Embassy for the past three years.		

24 June	Pacific Wave conference "Accelerating Export Growth and Entrepreneurship" Auckland	PCF's Pacific Wave Conference will aim to promote the development of partnerships between Pacific and New Zealand businesses (and other stakeholders) and highlight opportunities for investment into the region. The event will lead with a number of key note addresses by prominent Pacific people and stakeholders, to be followed by panel discussions and workshop sessions. The Conference will bring together region-wide members of the private sector, members of the Business Councils, and Government. Around 100 participants are expected.	Pacific Cooperation Foundation Manager PHM (TBC) Judy Wan Min Kee Adam Linnell	PAC regional
29 June (TBC)	Polynesian Leaders' Group Meeting Tahiti, French Polynesia	The Polynesian Leaders Group (PLG) was established in 2011 as a means to provide a forum for Polynesian solidarity, particularly in the cultural cocial and economic spheres. It	TBC	PAC bilateral
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30 Jun- 4 July (TBC)	Minister's Micronesia Mission RMI, FSM, Palau, Guam, Nauru		MFA	PAC bilateral
30 June 2 July	Annual Forum Fisheries Ministerial (FFCMIN10)  Atafu, Tokelau  Note: Due to the location of this meeting, travel requirements will require a more significant time commitment, approx. 28 June – 4 July.	The Forum Fisheries Ministerial Meeting is the highest decision making body of the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA).  The Ministerial meeting provides oversight of the region's fisheries decisions, and endorses a statement of outcomes for consideration by leaders at the Pacific Islands Forum.	Ambassador for Pacific Economic Development Chris Carson (MPI) Don Syme (MPI) Rebecca Wood (MFAT)	PAC regional

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August - TBC 28-30 August	RAMSI ECM meeting Honiara, Solomon Islands SIDS pre-week fisheries side event	[New Zealand is proposing a side event at the 2014 Conference on SIDS that focuses on the sustainable economic development potential of fisheries. Delivered in conjunction with the FFA, the event will bring together key actors from small island developing states and regional fisheries organisations to share best practices, underlining the importance of a partnership approach to the sustainable development of the		SIDS and PAC regional
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