



# **KINGDOM OF TONGA**

## **COUNTRY REPORT**

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Attorney General's Office

Nuku'alofa, Tonga

## **I INTRODUCTION**

Malo e Lelei,

- 1 On behalf of the Attorney General's Office of the Kingdom of Tonga, I have the distinct pleasure of presenting the Kingdom of Tonga's Country Report for 2016 to distinguished colleagues attending the 35<sup>th</sup> Pacific Islands Law Officers' Network Meeting here in Kolonia, Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia.
- 2 First of all I would like to offer the sincere gratitude of the Tongan delegation to our gracious hosts, the Secretary of the Department of Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia, and the people of Pohnpei, for their warm hospitality and excellent arrangements. I congratulate them for hosting PILON, and very much look forward to visiting these wonderful shores again.
- 3 The main highlights for the Attorney General's Office include the on-going uncertainty from Government regarding the future status of the Office. Government has still yet to finalise its position on whether there should be a political or independent position for the post of Attorney General, and also the formal statutory recognition of the post of Director of Public Prosecutions. International cooperation work was significant level for the Office this year with two successful extraditions to the United States and Australia respectively, and also a current case of returning a US fugitive who had escaped to American Samoa.
- 4 The Courts continued to cope with a high number of cases, and the shift of the criminal workload from the Supreme Court to the Magistrates Court. Serious efforts are being focussed by the Ministry of Justice to improve judicial services and facilities to the public.
- 5 The Office managed to process a few Government legislation, and continue to face the challenges with lack of coordination with Government Ministries and Agencies in developing legislative reform.

- 6 The Office continues to provide legal support to other Government Ministries and Agencies with their internal law commitments, especially in the areas of aviation, employment, maritime, international trade, cyber-challenges and human rights.
- 7 It is hoped that this report will provide useful information to colleagues in PILON, and an insight on the developments and challenges of the Tongan legal sector.
- 8 We hope that the discussions and activities both within this Network and also individually will continue to reap success for us all collectively and individually in the provision of legal services to our respective peoples.
- 9 I wish all distinguished colleagues a very Merry Christmas, and may you all receive many more blessings for the New Year 2017!

Malo ‘aupito,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Aminiasi Kefu', written in a cursive style.

‘Aminiasi Kefu

**Acting Attorney General and Director of Public Prosecutions**

27 October 2016

## **II TONGA'S LEGAL SECTOR**

10 Tonga's legal sector is projected in the diagram set out in **Annex 1**.

11 Since the last Country Report in 2015, there have been no changes in the structure.

### **A Magistrates**

12 The Registrar of the Supreme Court was appointed a Senior Magistrate with effect from 1 September 2016, in order to maintain a sufficient number of Magistrates to serve the Magistrates Court.

13 The Ministry of Justice continues to struggle to recruit qualified and experienced Magistrates to cover all of the outer islands, especially the norther island groups of the Niuaus and the Ha'apai Island Group. The main issue is providing an attractive remuneration level.

### **B Commissioner for Public Relations and Anti-Corruption Commissioner**

14 Government is currently processing law reforms regarding the office of the Commissioner for Public Relations, and also the office of the Anti-Corruption Commissioner. The thrust of the reforms is that the Commissioner for Public Relations would be now known under the internationally recognised name of Ombudsman, and that the holder of the Ombudsman post would be able to also perform the role of Anti-Corruption Commissioner. The rationale to the reforms is to save costs, and also to have the Anti –Corruption Commissioner operating after 9 years from the enactment of the Anti-Corruption Commissioner Act.

### **C The Attorney General, Solicitor General and Director of Public Prosecutions**

15 The office of Attorney General remains vacant, and I continue to be in an Acting capacity. Government is still considering whether to have a Cabinet appointed Attorney General, or an independent Attorney General.

- 16 The Director of Public Prosecutions ('DPP') continues to be responsible for criminal prosecutions under a delegation of the Attorney General. Since the DPP is also the Acting Attorney General, and due to the workload and experience within the office, the DPP also provides direction for civil and land cases involving the Crown.
- 17 Due to the limited number of Crown counsel, the Director of Public Prosecutions is currently housed in the Attorney General's Office, and so Crown counsel also perform the role of Crown prosecutor.
- 18 The Office has leased new office space in the same building in order to prepare for the formal separation of the DPP office from the Attorney General's Office. Even if that separation is not formalised, the new office space would allow moving the criminal prosecution work to a separate space, which is much needed.

#### **D Resignation of Chief Executive Officer for Justice**

- 19 On 19 September 2016, the Chief Executive Officer resigned from her post in order to undergo further post-graduate studies. The Public Service Commission has re-advertised the post twice now to attract an appropriate candidate.

### **III MAJOR LAW AND JUSTICE SECTOR ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 20 The major law and justice achievements in 2016 were:

(1) Legal Reform

- Tonga ratified the Paris Agreements on Climate Change;
- Tonga acceded to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
- Tonga became a member of the International Labour Organisation;

(2) Judicial Reform

- The Lord Chief Justice has introduced a new system of Case Management Conferences in order to manage the administration of civil and land cases

effectively and efficiently. The main thrust is to identify the issues for each case, and progress cases to be trial-ready through a time table. One positive aspect of this system is that legal counsel for the parties meet beforehand to discuss their cases, and in some cases, there has been agreement for settlement out of Court.

#### **IV SIGNIFICANT COURT DECISIONS**

21 The following are some of the significant Court decisions in 2016:

(1) Taniela Tapueluelu v Police, AC 19/2015 [AM 27/2014]

This was an appeal to the Court of Appeal by a Police officer against the sentence imposed by the Supreme Court for conviction for two charges of causing grievous bodily harm against two male youths. The Appellant had submitted that the Supreme Court was wrong to refuse to discharge him without conviction. The Court of Appeal refused the appeal on the basis that under section 74(2) of the Magistrates Court, the Appellant could only appeal further from an appeal to the Supreme Court on a point of law. The Appeal did not disclose any point of law. Furthermore, the sentence imposed were not excessive, and that the weight to be given to acceptance of the Appellant's apologies to the victims was a matter entirely for the sentencing judge.

(2) Mateni Tapueluelu v Attorney General, AC 31/2015 [CV 45/2015]

This was an appeal to the Court of Appeal by the Appellant who is the Peoples Representative for Tongatapu 4 electoral constituency. The Appellant was declared by the Lord Chief Justice, on an application by the Attorney General, to have been disqualified under clause 65 of the Constitution from being elected and holding this electorate seat because he was held to have an outstanding judgment debt at the time of election. The Appellant appealed on the basis that his judgment debt was stayed before the election. The Court of Appeal agreed with the Appellant and held that a stay order effectively suspended the judgment debt having any effect by the time of the election. The Court of Appeal also held that the Attorney General did not have standing to challenge the election under the Electoral Act after the election.

(3) Rec v Antone Thomas Pedras, AC 8/2016 [CR 63/2016]

This was an appeal to the Court of Appeal by the Attorney General against the ruling of the Supreme Court granting the Respondent's application for habeas corpus, and discharging him from an order of the Magistrates Court that the Respondent could be extradited to the United States. The Respondent was the subject of 11 counts of 'wire fraud' and also an arrest warrant in the United States. This was on the basis that the complementarity rule was not satisfied. The Court of Appeal allowed the appeal, and held that in determining the complementarity rule, the Court must also look at the conduct alleged against the accused in order to determine that such conduct could be also charged in Tonga. The Respondent was returned to the United States under final warrant of the Prime Minister after a year and a half of the extradition process.

(4) 'Alani Afu v Rex AC 6/2016 [CR 1434/2015]

This was an appeal to the Court of Appeal by the Respondent against the ruling by the Supreme Court refusing his application for habeas corpus. The Appellant was charged in 2015 in Australia for the contracted murder of a woman in 1990, more than 26 years since. The Appellant claimed that the extradition was unjust or oppressive under section 10(3)(b) of the Extradition Act. The Court of Appeal declined the appeal, and ruled that the Supreme Court had taken into account the family circumstances of the Appellant, and that the Supreme Court was not wrong to hold that the public interest to extradite to face a charge of murder outweighed the Appellant's family circumstances. The Appellant was returned to Australia under final warrant of the Prime Minister after a year and a half of the extradition process.

(5) (1) Vaitulala Leger, (2) Velmer Ann Leger v Solicitor General, AC 3/2016 [FA 105/2015]

This was an appeal to the Court of Appeal by the Appellant against the ruling of the Supreme Court refusing an application for inter-country adoption. The Supreme Court had refused the adoption application by the Appellants in accordance with the Court of Appeal decision in *Saavedra v Solicitor General* [2013] Tonga LR 60, where it was held that inter-country adoptions 'should be approved only when all

other means of caring for a child in Tonga have been exhausted'. The Court of Appeal allowed the appeal, and took the opportunity to clarify the ruling in *Saavedra*. The Court of Appeal clarified that Saavedra was subject to the fundamental principle of the best interests of the child, and so even if there is an option in Tonga for the child to be cared, "where an inter-country adoption carries distinct benefits for the child and none of the disadvantages normally associated with a move to another country, in particular the loss of family ties and the child's inheritance of Tongan culture and language, the interest of the child are likely to favour approval of the application".

(6) Rex v 'Ahohako and ors, CR 15-18/16

This was the first case arising of Tonga Police inquiries into passport fraud. The Accused pleaded guilty to forgery and knowingly dealing with forged documents charges. The Accused had created a Tongan identity for a Middle Eastern or Asian individual, whose real identity was unknown. They managed to produce and obtain a Tongan birth certificate issued by one of the co-accused working in the office of the Registrar General. The Accused are awaiting sentence on 11 November 2016.

(7) Rex v Shinjkashvili and ors, CR 118-123/16

The Accused in this case were found to have used and travelled on stolen and forged Greek passports. They were Georgian citizens. They were discovered by the New Zealand Immigration office in Tonga, after they were denied boarding an Air New Zealand flight from Tonga to Auckland. They then took their passports to the New Zealand Immigration office to confirm that they could travel without visa to New Zealand. Fortunately New Zealand Immigration authorities suspected that the Greek passports were not genuine, and they referred them to Tonga Police. Tonga Police then confirmed with Interpol that the passports were reported stolen, and the identities were different from the original holders. The Georgians were basically destitute in Tonga, and Tonga Police were generous to pay for their rent and food. This matter was expedited from the Magistrates Court to the Supreme Court. Through an interpreter, 6 Georgians, two women, and four men, pleaded guilty each to a charge of knowingly dealing with a forged document. On 26 October 2016 the Supreme Court sentenced are each sentenced to 2 years imprisonment, fully suspended for 2 years, and also a fine of each of \$1,000.00, to be paid within

7 days, before they are removed from Tonga within 14 days. Failure to comply may result in activation of the suspended sentence.

## **V LAW REFORM: LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMME**

### **A The 2016 Laws**

22 The year 2016 was not a very busy legislative year mainly because a lack of political drive to process legislation.

23 **Annex 2** sets out the laws that the Office processed for enactment on behalf of Government.

24 The legislation enacted in 2016 are summarised as follows:

- the Legislative Assembly passed 9 Acts;
- 5 Acts have been granted Royal Assent, and have been promulgated to come into force;
- 4 Acts are awaiting processing to His Majesty for Royal Assent;
- Certain executive authorities made 9 subsidiary legislation.

### **B Legislative Drafting in the Office**

25 The Office's legislative drafting team was led by the Acting Attorney General and supported by the Solicitor General, one Senior Crown Counsel, one Assistant Crown Counsel and two translators.

26 With the assistance of the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, the Office is working to finalise a Legislative Drafting Manual for Cabinet approval, so there is a clear process and timeframe for processing legislative reform.

27 Crown counsel completed the legislative drafting training for the Post-Graduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting, offered by the University of the South Pacific, making it 12 Crown counsel now who hold a Post Graduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting.

- 28 The Office continues to benefit from the efficiency and effectiveness of its electronic legislative template developed for drafting Tongan laws. All the laws are published in the website [www.crownlaw.gov.to/cms](http://www.crownlaw.gov.to/cms), in both final and draft form. The public and relevant stakeholders are notified of new laws through the relevant Ministry and through email notifications from the Office. Where necessary, the Office has published in the local newspapers the new laws that are being processed or have been enacted for public submissions or dissemination.
- 29 The Office has also utilised social media through a Facebook page and a Twitter account to provide updates on new laws, and other activities of the Office.
- 30 However, the main challenges in the Office's legislative drafting programme continue to be the time required to translate laws into Tongan, and also meeting Government's changing legislative priorities.
- 31 Work continues on the finalisation of the consolidation of the laws of Tonga up to 2015. Since the resignation of the Attorney General, he has agreed to continue to drive the consolidation process. We are now hoping that the consolidation would be completed by July 2017.

## **VI LEGAL SECTOR ISSUES**

- 32 The challenges faced by the Tongan legal sector are as follows:

### The Judiciary

- (1) The main challenges for the Judiciary include the following:
- (a) State of Court facilities;
  - (b) Judicial training to develop Magistrates;
  - (c) Remuneration for Magistrates;
  - (d) Backlog of cases in the Magistrates Court.

### Ministry of Justice

- (2) The main challenges for the Ministry of Justice are:
- (a) a lack of specifically skilled practitioners and technical expertise;
  - (b) lack of information sharing within the legal and justice sector.

### Attorney General's Office

- (3) The main challenges for the Office include the following:
- (a) Interference with independence;
  - (b) Maintenance of confidence from Government;
  - (c) Retaining legal staff;
  - (d) Continued legal education for Crown counsel and Crown prosecutors;
- (4) The Office has also been challenged in providing representation to official regional and international meetings to support Government Ministries and Agencies. **Annex 3** sets out the training and international meetings that the Office attended.
- (5) The final report of the Remuneration Authority was approved by Cabinet, and so all legal staff are on a slightly increased salary structure.

### Tonga Police

- (6) The main challenges for Tonga Police are as follows:
- (a) Investigation skills, ethics and resources;
  - (b) Prosecution skills;
  - (c) Tonga Police discipline; and
  - (d) Interference with Tonga Police operational independence.

### Contact Details

- (7) **Annex 4** contains contact details for officers in the Ministry of Justice, the Attorney General's Office and the Director of Public Prosecutions.

## **VII PILON LEGAL POLICY AGENDA: UPDATE**

### **A Environmental Crimes and Corruption**

- 33 Tonga remains committed to fighting corruption at all levels of society.
- 34 Tonga has prosecuted environmental crimes in relation to illegal fishing and smuggling of agricultural products, but these have been at a minor level.
- 35 The positive aspect of these cases was that there was a multi-agency approach including the Ministries Agriculture and Fisheries, Ministry of Customs and Revenue, Tonga Police and the Attorney General Office under the mandate of the Tonga Law Enforcement Agencies Committee.

### **B Sexual and Gender based Violence**

- 36 Tonga continues to implement and enforce the Family Protection Act since it came into force on 1 July 2014.
- 37 Of concern, there has been a number of cases involving Police committing domestic violence. There are also concerns about skills of Police prosecutors to prosecute domestic violence in the Magistrates Court, and also the Magistrates' capability to deal with such cases. The Attorney General's Office is seriously considering taking over these prosecutions in the Magistrates Court.
- 38 The RRRT is in the process of proposing an access to justice pilot project to create 'domestic violence advocates' to assist victims to apply for protection orders and other related legal work.

### **C Cybercrime**

- 39 Tonga is currently seeking policy approval to accede to the Council of Europe's Convention on cybercrime, and become the first Pacific Island country to do so.

- 40 Tonga is also processing a new bill to replace the current Computer Crimes Act, in order to upgrade Tonga's cybercrime legal framework to meet international standards.
- 41 Tonga has set up a Computer Emergency Response Team to monitor and deal with cyber-attacks.
- 42 Tonga Police, IT officials, judicial officers and prosecutors continue to benefit from the Council of Europe's Global Action against cybercrime project (GLACY), and at the end of October 2016, will transition to an extension of that project to GLACY+. Under this project Tonga would benefit from technical assistance and training in relation to developing legislation, skills and capabilities of cybercrime officials.

## VIII INTERNATIONAL LAW

- 43 The Attorney General's Office has been heavily involved in international law matters for Government. The following are the pertinent international law matters:

(1) Asia Pacific Group on Money Laundering

The Office attended the APG annual meeting that was re-scheduled from Bangladesh to San Diego, USA. The Office is also working on finalising a project on illicit drugs trafficking through the Pacific and associated AML risks.

(2) Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime

The Office continues to support and implement Government policy to combat cybercrime to allow Tonga to benefit from the potential of cyber-space to increase livelihoods.

(3) International Seabed Authority

The Office was part of the Tonga delegation to the 2016 annual meeting of the ISA. Ms Rose Kautoke, Assistant Crown Counsel, is currently on a 12 months fellowship under the Pacific Small Islands Development States, and is placed at Tonga's Permanent Mission to the United Nations, and focusses on the work of the United Nations on oceans and the seas.

(4) Commonwealth Secretariat

The Office continues to be engaged and support the work of the Commonwealth Secretariat, mainly in cybercrime and other legal and justice sectors.

## **IX LEGAL SECTOR INITIATIVE/PROJECTS**

44 The following were the legal sector initiatives for 2014:

(1) 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Law Week 2016

The Office will hold the 9<sup>th</sup> Law Week in the week of 8 November 2016. The theme will be on the rights of persons with disabilities.

(2) Tonga Law Reports Update

The Tonga Law Reports are now updated to 2015, bringing the volumes up to date. Work is underway to publish the 2016 volume in the first quarter of 2017, and to continue this on a regular basis annually.

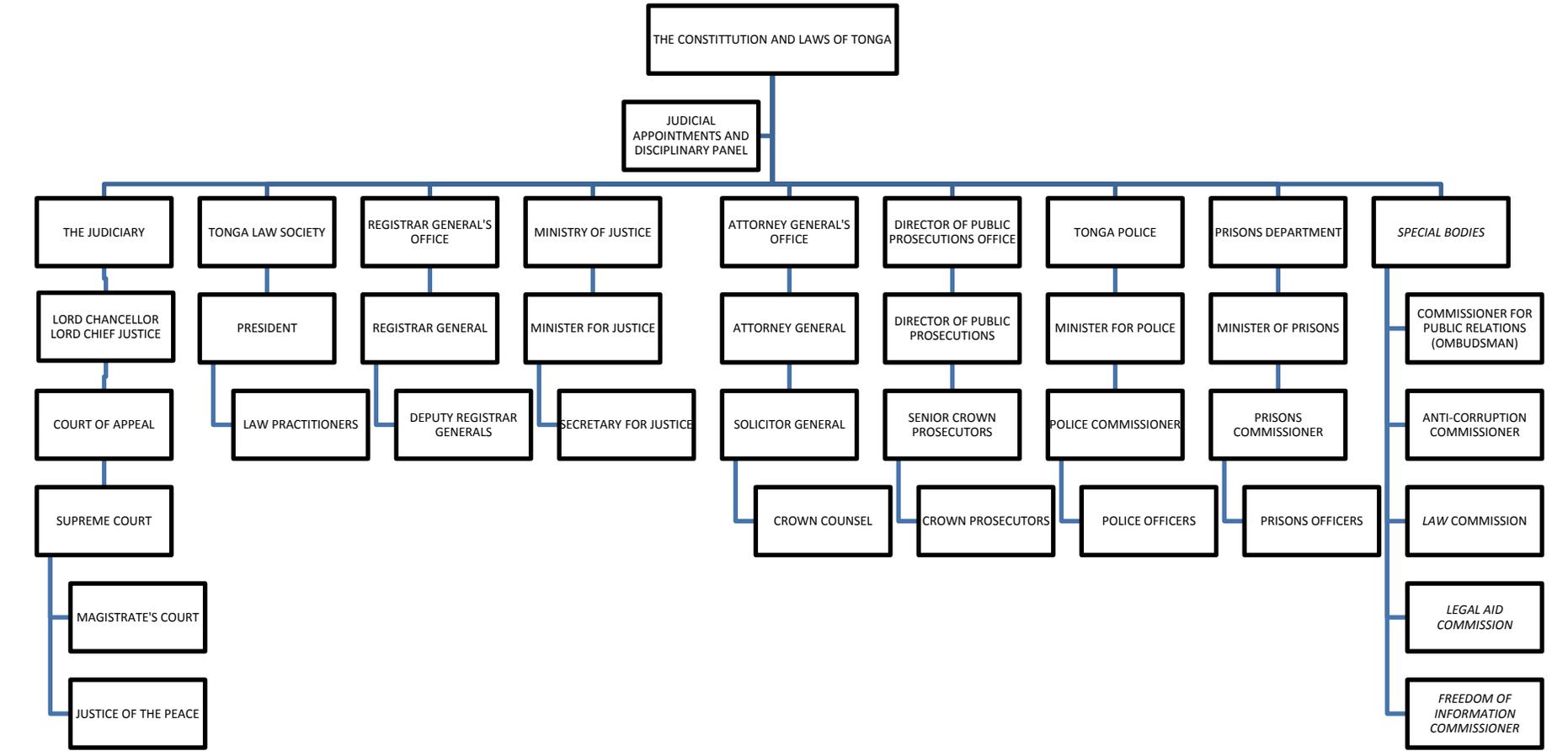
(3) Laws Consolidation

As mentioned earlier in this report, the Office is committing to complete the consolidation of its laws in English and Tongan up to 2015, with a release date of 1 July 2017.

(4) Continued Legal Education

The Office sponsored a civil litigations course delivered by Mr John Hardie of Christchurch and the New Zealand Law Society. The course was at a basic level provided for law practitioners practising in the Courts.

**ANNEX 1**  
**TONGA'S LEGAL SECTOR**



**ANNEX 2**  
**2016 LEGISLATION**

<b>2016 ACTS</b>	
(1)	Tobacco Control (Amendment) Act 2014
(2)	Communications Act 2015
(3)	Communications Commission Act 2015
(4)	Order in Public Places (Amendment) Act 2016
(5)	Foreign Exchange Levy (Amendment) Act 2016
(6)	<i>District and Town Officers (Amendment) Act 2016 *</i>
(7)	<i>Public Service (Amendment) Act 2016 *</i>
(8)	<i>Criminal Offences (Amendment) Act 2016 *</i>
(9)	<i>Evidence (Amendment) Act 2016 *</i>

\* Awaiting Royal Assent

<b>2016 SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION</b>	
(1)	Districts (Animal Enclosure) (Amendment) Regulations 2015
(2)	Customs and Excise (Amendment) Regulations 2016
(3)	Retirement Fund (Administration) (Amendment) Regulations 2016
(4)	Environment Management (Litter and Waste Control) Regulations 2016
(5)	Foreign Exchange Levy Regulations 2016
(6)	Sandalwood Regulations 2016
(7)	Election Petition Rules 2016
(8)	Customs Duty (Amendment) Order 2016
(9)	Excise Duty (Amendment) Order 2016

**ANNEX 3**

**NATIONAL AND OVERSEAS TRAINING**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MEETING</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>AGO PARTICIPANT</b>
24-26 February 2016	Pacific Regional Cybercrime Criminal Justice Training and Network	Nuku'alofa, Tonga	Commonwealth Secretariat, International Association of Prosecutors, Council of Europe, AGO
21 - 23 March 2016	Second International workshop on adaption and update of the Electronic Evidence Guide through development of the Standard Operating Procedures for digital forensics.	Port Louis, Mauritius	Ms. Leotrina Macomber Crown Counsel
24-25 March 2016	CERT-MIU	Port Louis, Mauritius	Ms. Leotrina Macomber, Crown Counsel
11-13 April 2016	International Workshop on Integration of Judicial Courses	Johannesburg, South Africa.	Ms. Leotrina Macomber, Crown Counsel
25-27 April 2016	International workshop and training for 24/7 points of contact of the GLACY countries	Colombo, Sri Lanka	Ms. Leotrina Macomber, Crown Counsel
16-19 May 2016	Bali Process follow the money Forum	Bangkok, Thailand	Mr Tevita 'Aho, Assistant Crown Counsel
16-20 May 2016	Regional Consultation on Gender and the Law	Nadi, Fiji	Ms Halaevalu Aleamotu'a, Assistant Crown Counsel

18 – 19 May 2016	Regional Workshop on the Forum Model Provisions on the Counter Terrorism and Transnational Organized Crimes	Auckland, New Zealand	Mr James Lutui, Senior Crown Counsel
8 June – 2 July 2016	32 <sup>nd</sup> Session of the United Nations Human Rights Council	UN headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland	Ms ‘Akanesi Katoa, Assistant Crown Counsel
1-5 August 2016	Intensive Legal Training Programme run by McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer in partnership with UNDP Pacific Centre, WHO and Secretariat of the Pacific Community	Nadi, Fiji	Ms ‘Akanesi Katoa, Assistant Crown Counsel
8-19 August 2016	Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) 2016 Training Course on Executive Certificate for Strategic Management of Anti-Corruption Programme	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Ms Marina Moa, Assistant Crown Counsel
13-15 September 2016	Pacific Capacity-Building Workshop for the Implementation of the Arms Treaty	Nadi, Fiji	Ms Halaevalu Aleamotu’a, Assistant Crown Counsel
28-30 September 2016	The India Conference on Cyber Security and Internet Governance	New Delhi, India	Ms Marina Moa, Assistant Crown Counsel
11-14 October 2016	Regional Consultation on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) for Pacific States	Lautoka, Fiji	Ms ‘Akanesi Katoa, Assistant Crown Counsel

17-20 October 2016	Anti-Money Laundering Training for Law Enforcement Agencies and Prosecutors	Nuku'alofa, Tonga	Asia-Pacific Group on Money Laundering, UNODC, New Zealand Police, Australia Attorney General's Office
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**NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MEETING</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>AGO PARTICIPANT</b>
7 June 2016	Working Group on Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime	Suva, Fiji	Mr James Lutui, Senior Crown Counsel
8-9 June 2016	Forum Regional Security Committee	Suva, Fiji	Mr James Lutui, Senior Crown Counsel
5-8 September 2016	19 <sup>th</sup> APG Annual Meeting	San Diego, USA	Mr Tevita 'Aho, Assistant Crown Counsel
22-23 September 2016	Commonwealth Network of Contact Persons	London, United Kingdom	Ms. Leotrina Macomber Crown Counsel
17-19 September 2016	2016 Pacific Prosecutors Association Conference	Nadi, Fiji	Mr 'Aminiasi Kefu, Acting Attorney General and Director of Public Prosecutions Mr 'Inoke Finau, Assistant Crown Counsel
3-5 October 2015	Senior Officials of Commonwealth Law Ministries	London, United Kingdom	Mr Sione Sisifa, Solicitor General
6-7 October 2016	Law Ministers and Attorneys General Meeting of Small Commonwealth Jurisdictions	London, United Kingdom	Mr Sione Sisifa, Solicitor General

25-28 October 2016	35 <sup>th</sup> Pacific Islands Law Officers Network Meeting	Kolonia, Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	Mr ‘Aminiasi Kefu, Acting Attorney General and Director of Public Prosecutions
14-18 November 2016	Council of Europe Octopus Conference and Cybercrime Convention Committee Meeting	Strasbourg, France	Mr ‘Aminiasi Kefu, Acting Attorney General and Director of Public Prosecutions

**ANNEX 4**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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