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SIXTH MEETING OF THE PACIFIC METEOROLOGICAL COUNCIL (PMC-6) THIRD PACIFIC MINISTERIAL MEETING ON METEOROLOGY (PMMM-3)

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## Sixth Meeting of the Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC-6)

Sustaining Weather, Climate, Water and Ocean Services for a Resilient Blue Pacific

14-16 August 2023, Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa, Denarau, Nadi, Fiji

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### Agenda item 27: Venue of the Seventh Meeting of the Pacific Meteorological Council

#### Purpose:

1. Provide information to the council to guide the decision and timing of the next meetings

#### Background:

1. Rule 3.1 of the Rules of Procedures outlines that “ Each meeting shall decide the venue and timing of the next meeting”
2. At the PMC-5, the meeting
  - a. **nominated** Cook Islands to be the host of the Fifth Pacific Meteorological Council Meeting;
  - b. **agreed** that the PMC and the PMMM will Meet in 2020 in Cook Islands
3. Due to COVID-19 and unforeseen circumstances, the meeting was not held in 2020 and after borders were open, Cook Islands confirmed that they are not able to host the PMC meeting as planned.
4. Rule 8.2 outlines that *in unforeseen circumstances, the Secretariat shall consult with the Chair of the meeting and the members, about changing the venue and timing of the next meeting.*
5. The secretariat approach Fiji as a central location to host the PMC-6 and PMMM-3 meetings and Fiji agreed
6. The PMC-4 was briefed on the frequency of the next PMC. It is noted at the PMC-4 in Honiara that the PMC and the Ministerial meeting falls in the same year as the SPREP Meeting. The Secretariat’s preference is for the PMC Meeting to fall in an off year from the biennial SPREP Meeting. The Secretariat proposed that the PMC next meet in 2019 and then meet in 2020 including the Ministerial Meeting. The PMC would meet every two years after and the Ministerial Meeting would be held every four years.
7. The Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Meteorology in the Honiara Ministerial Statement
  - a. **DECIDE** to hold the sessions of the Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Meteorology at least once every four years and REQUEST SPREP, with the support of WMO and development partners to convene the Meetings;
8. PMC-7 will be convened in 2024 as per decision from PMC-4 at a venue agreed by the meeting and PMC-8 and PMMM-4 in 2026

#### Recommendations:

The Meeting is invited to:

- **Note** the decisions from the PMC-4 and the PMMM-2 when nominating the next host
  - **Agree** that the PMC-7 will Meet in 2024 and that the PMC-8 and PMMM-4 will meet in 2026, and that the PMC will meet every 2 year thereafter and that the PMMM with meet every 4 years as agreed to by PMMM-2. The secretariat to work with the nominated member to confirm a date.
  - **REQUEST** SPREP, with the support of WMO and development partners to convene the Meeting;
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