

## Fifteenth meeting of the Noumea Convention

### Fifteenth ordinary meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region and related protocols (Noumea Convention)

Apia, Samoa  
29 August 2019

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: Country reports**

##### **Purpose**

1. To provide the opportunity for Parties to the Convention to report on the implementation of their obligations over the period since the last Ordinary Meeting of the Parties (July 2017 – July 2019).

##### **Background**

2. An agenda item calling for country reports on the implementation of obligations under the Convention became standard at the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties.
3. Additionally, at the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties, the Parties endorsed the Secretariat's simplified guideline for National Reports. The Parties agreed that Reports be lodged biennially and deposited with the Secretariat no less than three months prior to the relevant Ordinary Meeting of the Parties. The format for the National Report can be downloaded from: <http://www.sprep.org/legal/noumea-convention>.
4. At the time of drafting, no reports had been received for the relevant period. Parties are encouraged to deposit their reports with the Secretariat prior to the Meeting.

##### **Recommendation**

5. The Parties are invited to:
    1. **table** their respective reports on the implementation of their obligations under the Convention for the period of July 2017 – July 2019.
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