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SUBJECT: STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

SPREP is pleased to announce the following appointments:

- **Dr. Robert Duncan McIntosh, Oceanography Officer**
- **Mr. Peter McDonald, Environmental Monitoring and Reporting Specialist**
- **Ms. Julie Callebaut, Environmental Monitoring and Reporting-GIS Specialist**



Dr. Robert Duncan McIntosh, a national of the United States of America (USA), has been appointed to the position of Oceanography Officer (OO) within the Climate Change Resilience Programme. He brings with him years of experience in the oceanography, climate change and marine fields in the USA and the Pacific region. Robert joined SPREP from the University of Rhode Island where he has been working as a PhD Research Assistant and Adjunct Faculty for the past four years. He holds a Doctorate of Philosophy in Marine Affairs from the University of Rhode Island and a Master in Meteorology and Physical Oceanography from the University of Miami. Robert started in his new role on 14 May 2018.



Mr. Peter McDonald has been appointed to the position of Environmental Monitoring and Reporting Specialist (EMRS) within the Environmental Monitoring and Governance (EMG) Programme. He is a national of Australia with extensive background and experience in environmental and natural resource management within Australia. Peter will join SPREP from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Northern Territory where he has been working as a Senior Scientist, Threatened Species for the last five years. He holds a Bachelor of Applied Science from Charles Sturt University, Australia. Peter started in his new role on 11 June 2018.



Ms. Julie Callebaut, a national of Belgium, has been appointed to the post of Environmental Monitoring and Reporting-Geographic Information System Specialist (EMRGISS) within the Environmental Monitoring and Governance (EMG) Programme. She joins SPREP from Tractebel Engie & International Marine and Dredging Consultants in Belgium where she has been working for the past year as an independent GIS consultant. Julie brings with her years of experience in GIS mainly in the environmental and conservation sectors within Europe and Africa. She holds a Master in Biology from Ghent University, Belgium. Julie will start official duties on 18 June 2018.

We congratulate Robert, Peter and Julie on their appointments and we look forward to these positions increasing and strengthening relevant support and services to the region.

Yours sincerely,

Kosi Latu
Director General