

# Savali



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## Ālaoa Dam project progresses

By: Marc Membrene



Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Works, Transport, and Infrastructure Fui Tupai Simanu

One of the longest standing initiatives to alleviate severe flooding and property damage loss in the Vaimauga District during natural disasters is going ahead as initially planned.

The Vaimauga District holds 20 per cent of the total population of Samoa and the project will benefit all residents completely.

Chief Executive Officer (C.E.O.) of the Ministry of Works, Transport and Infrastructure (M.W.T.I.) in an exclusive interview with the Savali Newspaper on Friday confirmed the Alaoa Dam progress.

“We are at the stage of working on the tender document. We hope that sometime next year the tender document will be ready,” said head of the Ministry Fui Tupai Mau Simanu.

The the project is estimated to be worth USD\$100 million (but it might be more given that the project was initiated in 2014 and materials will have accumulated different prices now compared to then) and funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific (AIFFP).

An Australian consultant is currently working together with the Ministry to carry out necessary items to compile the tender documentation and is expected to have its tender documentation ready by mid-2023.

And according to Fui this is by far the biggest project that Samoa has undertaken since it was announced in 2014.

The dam is an initiative meant to address three very real issues for Samoa and especially the Vaisigano Catchment to build resilience to climate change and effects on our people he said.

This includes a large-scale solution for flood mitigation especially for the Vaisigano Catchment which is the biggest in Samoa with 20 per cent of the population living in the area.

The dam will be able to control the flow of the water, so that floods will not be a problem during heavy rains.

The other two issues that will be resolved with the construction of the dam are; Water Security, and Hydropower Generation to assist Samoa’s need to meet its renewable energy target.

The MWTI Chief explained that completion date of the whole project is unsure, as there are still many steps to take.

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### Tu’umālō Tapunu’u Niko Lee Hang



Tau’ā’aoina e le afioga i le Fofoga Fetalai o le tagāvai o Samoa o le fa’aaloalo mulimuli a le Mālō mo le ‘āiga o lenei tamālī’i o le atunu’u, e amanaia ma aloāia ai lana tautua iā Samoa i nei tausaga e tele.

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

Ua fa’afetaia e le Mālō le tautua matavela a le afioga iā Tapunu’u Papālī’itele Tepafoa’i Unasa Niko Lee Hang, i tausaga e tele sa ofo ai lana auunaga ma lona tomāi auā le atina’ega o Samoa ma lona tamāō’āiga.

E valaau le Atua iā Tapunu’u ua 68 tausaga o lona soifua, o lo’o ia tau’aveina tofiga o le Faipule mo lona Itumālō Palota o Vaimauga #3.

O ona tuāā le tamā iā Lee King Wai Lee Hang ma le tinā iā Litia Lee Hang (Ne’e Pouli), ua fa’aipoipo atu i lona faletua iā Dories Lee Hang, e to’afā ona alo, e 12 fanau a lana fanau, ae to’alua fanau, fanau a lana fanau.

I le sauniga fa’alemālō na saunoa ai le afioga i le Sui Palemia, Tuala Tevaga Iosefo Ponifasio e fa’apea;

“O le a e’etai pea ia i mauga o ao ma le atufolasa pāia sau’o ma mamalu o lenei faaauau itulau 9

### MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM SAMOA POLICE SERVICES!



Samoa’s Police Force brought the Christmas spirit to Mapuifagalele the Home of the Elderly on Wednesday when they sang Christmas carols for the residents. The Sisters and Residents also received an early Christmas present when Police Commissioner Auapaau Logoitino Filipo presented the elderly home with a donation of \$2000 and baskets of fruits and vegetables.

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# Christmas on the waterfront



By: Jasmine Netzler - Iose

The Government of Samoa is organising a spectacular show – ‘Christmas on the waterfront’ to celebrate the birth of Christ this year complete with father Christmas, firework displays and entertainment.

Samoa Tourism Authority (S.T.A.) spokesperson Fanaea Natu Taulealo confirmed in a press conference yesterday afternoon in the presence of Commissioner of Fire & Emergency Services Tanuvasa Petone Mauga and Deputy Police Commissioner Papalii Monalisa Tiai-Keti.

According to Fanaea the program is divided into two separate events; the first is organised for the first three days; 21 December to the 23 December and then again on the 31 December where fireworks will be displayed at exactly 12 o'clock to welcome 2023.

And this year the Government has also approved a display of fireworks to happen on the big island of Savaii at Amoa, Siufaga with entertainment organised by the Savaii Samoa Tourism Association.

Fanaea said the program on Upolu will start at 5pm on Wednesday 21 December with a parade from Matautu towards the Friendship Park behind the Government Building to be followed at 7pm with a Christmas show open to Church choirs and evangelistic groups.

Organisations and Government Ministries have also been invited to take part in the parade which will be led by officers from the Ministry of Police, Prisons, and Correction Services.

A fire truck will follow at the end of the parade with Father Christmas giving out candies to pedestrians and members of the public standing by the side of the road from Matautu towards the Government Building.

Given the large scale of the event where the parade will happen on beach road from Matautu towards the Government Building, FESA Commissioner Tanuvasa said safety is priority.

He referred to the use of the Fire truck and other vehicles that are expected to take part in the event and possible dangers that might occur given their will be many people there.

And because fireworks will be displayed to welcome 2023 at 12 o'clock marking the 1st day of January 2023 he urges all those who suffer from health problems not to be too close to the waterfront and seawall near to where the displays will be shot from on the deck of MV Fotu-o-Samoa II.

This is not the first time that a ferry belonging to the Samoa Shipping Corporation Limited (S.S.C.) has been utilized for this purpose, it was also done in 2018 Fanaea confirmed.

Deputy of Police Papalii again reiterated that safety is paramount in this project and urged the parents to ensure the wellbeing of their children during the event “take care of the children”.

She also stressed the importance of keeping the event alcohol free and reminded that consumption of any alcohol in public areas was illegal.

Papalii also reminds members of the public to respect and adhere to any instructions or advice from Police officers who will be at the event to ensure peace, safety and security of the programs on these days allocated for Christmas on the waterfront.

Fanaea again stressed that the program is to create happiness, joy and celebrate the start of the New Year and not initiated to be a place where incidents and problems shall arise.

## Japan assists Animal Protection Society (APS) and Samusu Primary School

By: Marc Membrere

It's the season of giving, and Japan has given the greatest Christmas gift - grants to the Animal Protection Society (A.P.S.) and Samusu Primary School that will assist with the development of the organization and institution.

The signing ceremony was held at the Embassy of Japan on Thursday, and the grants are part of Japan's Grant Assistance Grass-Roots Human Security Projects.

The APS received WST\$201,000 and this will go towards the procurement of a vehicle for new veterinary mobile clinic and ambulance, which is aimed towards expanding the outreach services on stray dog population control.

Speaking on behalf of the APS, their Treasurer Joan MacFarlane gave thanks to the Government of Japan for their assistance.

The organization has been serving Samoa for 28 years and has always appreciated the support from Japan especially through the JICA Volunteer programme.

“It's a marvelous Christmas present for us,”

she said.

Ambassador of Japan to Samoa Keisuke Senta, revealed his love for cats and dogs and that has a family member, an uncle who is a veterinarian.

Christmas also came early for Samusu Primary School who received WST\$520,000 that will go towards the construction of single-story classroom building with 8 classrooms and 1 staff room.

The current buildings at Samusu Primary School were first built in 1992 and a result there was a great need to construct a new school building and once again Japan has come to the rescue.

In the next 6 months Samusu will have a new building which President of the Samusu Primary School Parents Teachers Association (PTA) Tiotio Li'a Makiasi expressed appreciation for.

He thanked the Lord for his guidance and for the assistance from the Government of Japan.

Tiotio thanked everyone involved that has enabled them to receive the funding that will help in the education of the children for them to have a successful future.

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## Alaoa Dam project progresses

One such step is consultations as required by ADB, this time focusing on biodiversity which was held at the Ioane Viliamu Building on Wednesday.

Fui explained that to date there have been more than 20 public consultations taken to strategic areas that the project will benefit, giving the public the opportunity to voice their opinions.

Veteran Electric Power Corporation (EPC) Engineer Fonoti Perelini Perelini had worked on the project from the very beginning, and had led the consultations responding to queries put forth by the public.

Despite the mixed opening from the public on Wednesday last week, Fui stated that there will be people that will not be satisfied no matter how much is explained.

This however will not stop the Ministry which already has three consultations planned for early 2023 and will be committed to raising more awareness through the media.

The Ministry acknowledges the need to provide the public with important information to allow them to make informed decisions, and are looking at a communication strategy and how they can better engage with the community.



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# Samoa prioritises COVID recovery

By: Marc Membrere

People at the centre of recovery will ensure inclusiveness and sustainability in returning employment numbers and state of the economy to the level it was before COVID-19.

That was the message from Minister of Commerce, Industry, and Labour Leatinuu Wayne So'oiolo at the 17th Asia Pacific Regional Meeting held in Singapore last week.

According to Samoa's 2nd National Employment Policy FY 2021/2022-FY2025/2026 launched last month employment figures were estimated to stand well over 40,000 before COVID-19 hit our shores.

This was also reiterated in the 2016-2017 Labour Market Monitoring Report by the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

But, recent figures from the Samoa Bureau of Statistics reveal that employment numbers from the December 2021 Quarter stood at 24,134 indicating a drop by 0.3 per cent and making it the ninth consecutive quarter of negative growth since December 2019.

In breaking down the meaning of having people at the centre of recovery the minister said capacity building to strengthening skills and to boost productivity is of high priority.

This would ensure that urban and rural communities have equal access to opportunities including strengthened PSET and TVET training delivery.

"The importance of skills in the post COVID recovery cannot be understated and will unlock the potential of each person to contribute towards the return to pre-COVID levels of productivity," he says.

The Minister also talked about labor mobility which he said will be a central theme across the region.

"The potential to absorb economic shocks and lift vulnerable families out of poverty cannot be disputed. However, the unintended impact on domestic labour supply and social issues must be addressed," the Minister said.

In regards to climate change which continues to devastate the Pacific, Leatinuu emphasised that alignment of climate action and the creation of decent employment is key for the future development of islands in the region especially for those feeling the immediate impacts of climate change.

"In this respect, we continue to place high importance on progressing the Climate Action for Jobs Initiative," he said.



Minister of Commerce, Industry, and Labour Leatinuu Wayne So'oiolo

# Ambassador of China to receive Tupa'ialofa title

By: Marc Membrere

Ambassador of China to Samoa Chao Xiaoliang will soon be bestowed a matai title if an announcement made by Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi goes as planned.

The Member of Parliament for Gagaifomauga No. 3 made the announcement at the Handover of the Samoa China Agricultural Technical Aid Project (SCATAP) on Thursday of last week.

Laauli who made known his plans while speaking on behalf of the Government of Samoa at the event revealed the ambassador was to be bestowed with a Chiefly title of Tupa'ialofa from his constituency as a token of respect for China's ongoing contribution to Samoa.

"Please accept on behalf of our people, our Constituency of Gagaifomauga No. 3, we wish to present and bestow you a title today," he said.

"When you are ready, we would like to bestow you a High Chief title as a token of your help and your contribution to Samoa."

He explained that this was also done to former United Nations Secretary General Bang Ki Moon when he visited Samoa in 2015 who was bestowed with the Tupua title.

The minister acknowledged his respect for China's contribution to Samoa and her people and felt he must reciprocate the kindness.

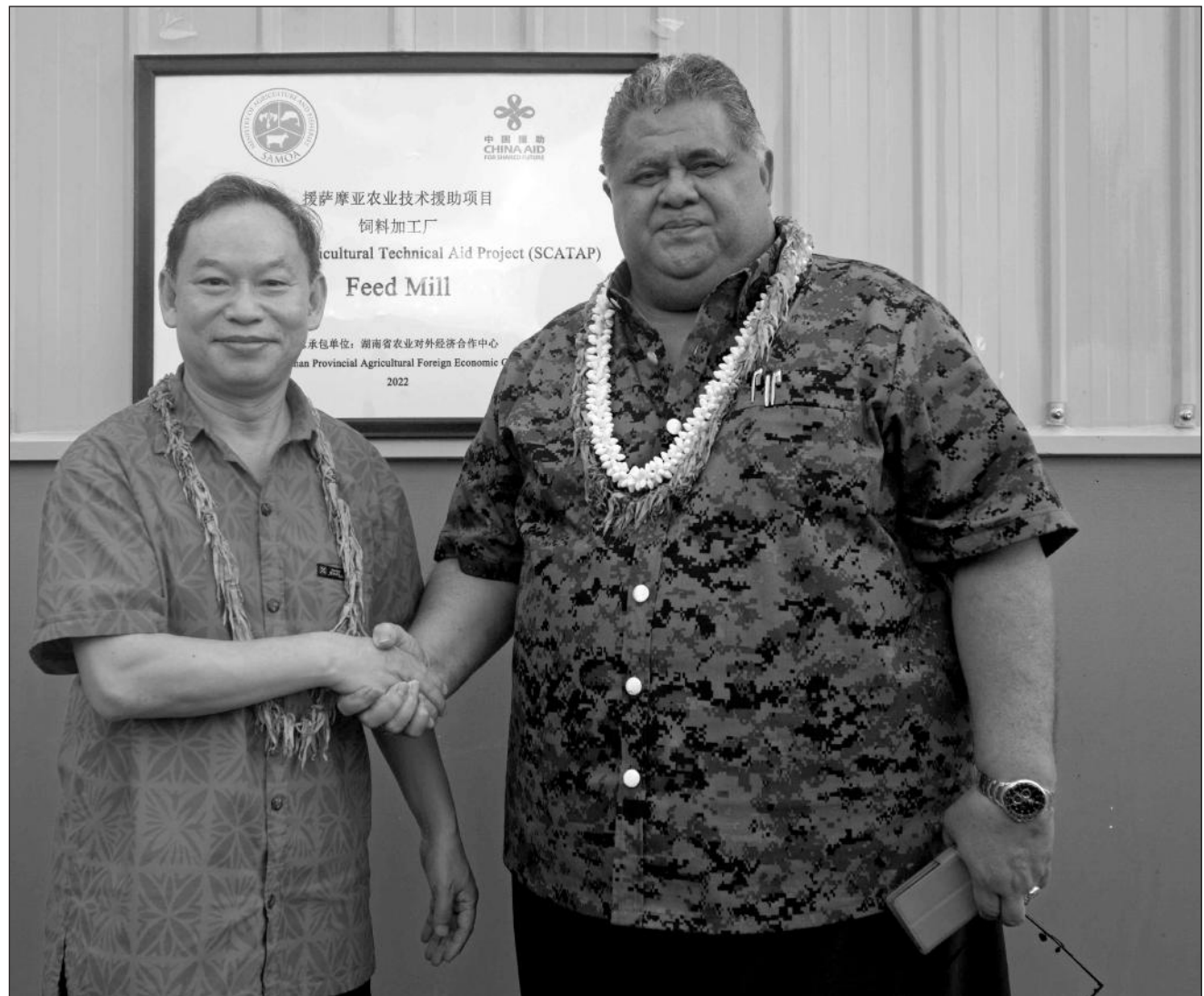
"So, on behalf of my constituency Gagaifomauga No. 3, Fagaae, Sasina and Letui we would like to bestow you the title Tupa'ialofa [and] when you're ready we go and celebrate in the village."

Contacted for a comment, the Attaché of the Embassy of China in Samoa Qi Jingsi stated that Ambassador Chao is honored and thankful for the proposal, however he did not want to comment further.

Samoa formally established diplomatic relations with China in 1975 and continues to maintain close work relations through the United Nations, and other multilateral fora in the pursuit of issues of mutual interest such as international peace and security, climate change, trade and sustainable development.

Ambassador Chao Xiaoliang presented his credentials to His Highness the Head of State of Samoa Tuimaleali'ifano Va'aletoa Sualauvi II in 2019.

He was born in Jiangxi Province of China in June 1964 and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree.



Ambassador of China to Samoa Chao Xiaoliang and Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi

His Excellency joined the civil service in 1986, starting in the Bureau of Archives of the Foreign Ministry of China and also has an extensive career as civil servant and diplomat from the Foreign Ministry that spans three decades to which he predominantly worked in the Aisa-Pacific region including Papua New Guinea.

Chao, also served in the People's Republic of China Embassies in Ethiopia, USA, and Papua New Guinea.

Furthermore, he demonstrates experience in serving his locality through his tenure as Deputy County Magistrate of Ping County, in Guizhou Province.



# Samoa opens new hatchery to generate income for farmers, and increase food security



Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi

By: Marc Membrere

Samoa's fisheries sector has taken a step forward in the bid to generate income for farmers and increase food security sources for its people with the opening of the Toloa Multispecies Hatchery Extension of sea grapes and tilapia.

The new extension officially launched last Friday is an additional feature to the existing hatchery for giant clams.

Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Resident Representative Jorn Sorensen, and members of the public were in attendance.

The project was funded by the Government of Japan in partnership with UNDP and implemented under the strategy for COVID-19 Preparedness and Recovery: Revitalization, Expansion and Diversification of Samoa's Agriculture and Fisheries Sector (REDSAF).

The project by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries will see communities in Upolu and Savaii cultivate and propagate grapes (limu fuafua) and tilapia (freshwater fish) to expand and diversify food security and income generation particularly in coastal areas around Samoa.

This new multispecies hatchery also helps increase resources status through stock enhancement, reintroduction and restocking purposes says Laauli.

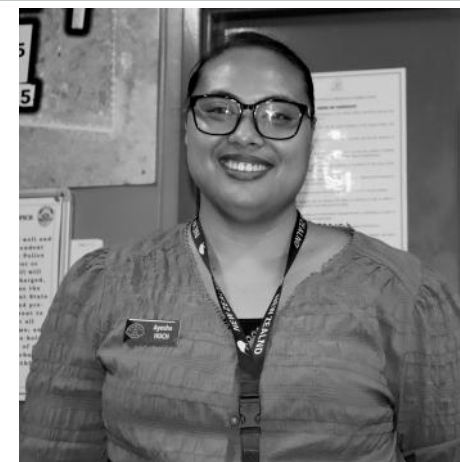
And that Fisheries and aquaculture will always remain an important contributor to the countries sustainable economic and social development.

"The value that small-scale fisheries and aquaculture contribute to food security and daily livelihoods in Samoa is by far higher in economic value at around \$70 million tala annually," he says.

He ended his speech with the UNDP project will provide assistance and support for the:

- Construction of the hatchery facility for both sea grapes and tilapia
- Enabling Fisheries Staff to carry out farming trials at 20 selected sites in both Upolu and Savaii
- Raising awareness on sea grape farming around Samoa through community consultations and TV advertisements

Laauli then extended his gratitude to the Government of the People of Japan and UNDP for their continuous support for the development of fisheries and aquaculture in Samoa.



## Police planned Media Unit in progress: Deputy Police Commissioner

By: Jasmine Netzler - Iose

The Ministry of Police has elected a former television journalist to head their Media Unit with the intentions of ensuring that accurate, reliable information is relayed to the general public for transparency, awareness and safety.

Ayesha Huch is the new Media Coordinator of the Ministry of Police, Prisons and Corrections Services Media Unit as confirmed by Deputy Police Commissioner Papali'i Monalisa Tiai-Keti.

According to Papali'i work is in progress to develop the unit with staff already being sourced from different divisions of the Ministry to strengthen its core functions.

But its speedy establishment is something the management looks to put some attention to so that the unit will be well established to cater to an international meeting Samoa will play host to in the next two years

According to Papali'i Ayesha was previously hired by the Ministry for a different role under the Planning and Police Division of the Ministry.

However, management had taken serious consideration of her background experience in the media and realised she would aid tremendously in strengthening of the Ministry's media and awareness programs.

Already the media has a well followed Facebook Page with consistent information to aid in the general public's information and obtaining community assistance to build the Ministry's work.

The Ministry also provides livestream talk show programs with heads of communications from other ministries affiliated to Police to establish community understanding about various projects.

This is just one of several developments that the Ministry has invested in to be prepared to cater to the 27th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in 2024.

The meeting will bring together delegations from 56 nations from across Africa, the Caribbean and the Americas, Europe, Asia and the Pacific.

Leaders of the Commonwealth meet bi-annually with member countries hosting on a rotating basis.

Since 1971, a total of 26 meetings have been held, with the most recent being in Kigali Rwanda in June 2022. The recent CHOGM in Rwanda recorded more than 6000 delegates and 29 heads of government.

Ayesha Huch was previously the Ministry's Senior Planning Officer for the Policy and Planning Unit under the Human Resource Management and Strategic Governance Division before being elected to the post.

She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Art with a double major in Sociology and English from the University of Samoa (N.U.S.).

# Fiji Pathologist in Samoa to execute post mortems

Jasmine Netzler - Iose

A Pathologist from Fiji arrived in Samoa on Wednesday evening solely for the purpose to carry out post mortems for Police investigations currently pending confirmation for cause of deaths.

Deputy Police Commissioner Papali'i Monalisa Tiai-Keti confirmed in the Ministry's weekly Press Conference with the media on Wednesday afternoon.

The surgeries will be executed at the Tupua Tamasese Meaole Hospital by the

pathologist who hopes to be able to complete all post mortems on all 9 bodies currently at the morgue before he returns to Fiji on 23 December.

But Papali'i said a 49-year-old woman was reported by members of her family to the Ministry of Police on Saturday last week.

She suffered from bruises to her face that seems to have been caused by an injury to her jaw but investigations are still underway into the matter.

The woman is from Siumu and Salailua Savaii but died in the village of her husband's family

at Fasitoo-uta.

An approval from the coroner is pending confirmation whether a post mortem can be carried on her to.

According to Papali'i the pathologist was also in the country mid of this year and has completed all required post mortem ordered by the coroner at the time.

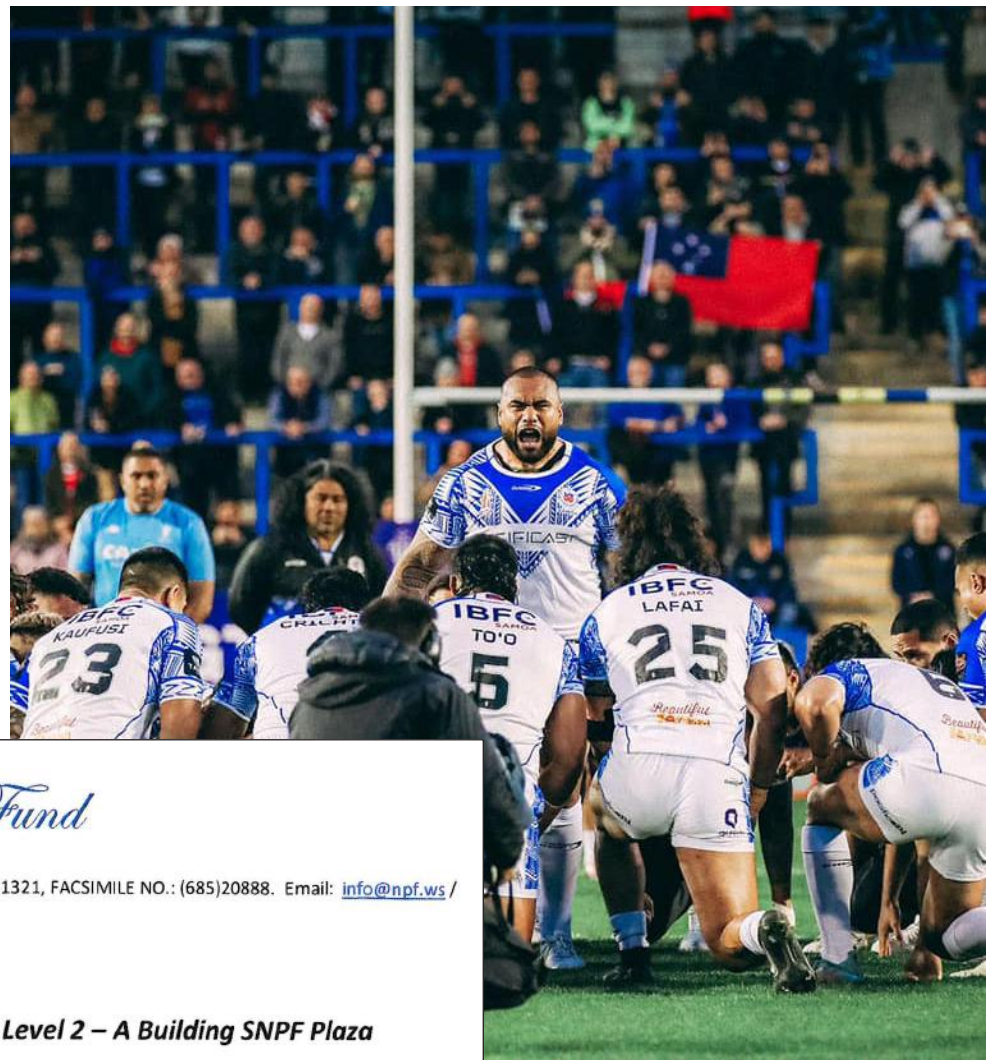
The cost of funding the pathologist to come over is very costly and thus the purpose behind why they do not come over as frequent as possible.



# Rugby League Samoa to raise funds to bring the "heroes" home



The Toa Samoa team will be travelling to Samoa on the 27th of December



By: Marc Membrere

Toa Samoa is coming home!  
 Only fitting since they took us to the finale of the 2021 World League Rugby Cup.  
 But there is a catch! The President of Rugby League Samoa, Tagaloa Fa'afouina Su'a has announced they will be hosting a radiothon and television fundraising this Saturday to raise funds to welcome the team home on 27 December 2022.  
 In a press conference late Wednesday evening Tagaloa announced the radiothon and tvthon will be held in partnership with Samoa's national television station, Samoa Broadcasting Corporation Ltd TV1 at Malae I Tiafau at 8am until 4 in the afternoon where a break will resume before commencing again at 8pm to 10 in the evening.  
 He explained that there will be numbers available for people to call if they wish to contribute.  
 Tagaloa however is mum on a target the fundraising hopes to raise but estimated that airfares for the team would add up to \$600,000, accommodation \$100,000, and meals \$60,000 and other logistics perhaps 1.2  
 "Government has already made a huge contribution," he said however declined to reveal to the press at the conference how much this is.  
 He said this shouldn't stop many who want to financially provide support.  
 Tagaloa also revealed that there is already a plan set in place for the arrival of the team but it is currently being fine-tuned before the details can be publicly released.  
 He confirmed that the team will be arriving on the 27th of this month, and will meet with Government before the planned event where the public will meet the team will take place.  
 Toa Samoa's achievements at the Rugby League World Cup is one of many Samoa has accomplished this year.  
 The event according to Tagaloa will also be an opportunity to acknowledge the achievements of the Boxers, and Rugby Sevens Team, including the Oceania Under 20s team for their achievements.



## Samoa National Provident Fund

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### Request for Tenders (RFT) **READVERTISEMENT**

**Contract Name: Air Condition System Upgrading (Replacement) Level 1 & Level 2 – A Building SNPF Plaza**  
**RFT No: NPPFZ001 Date Issue: 23/11/2022**

The **Samoa National Provident Fund** has available funds for **Upgrading of Air Condition System at Level 1 & 2 A Building at the SNPF Plaza** and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this to payments under the contract. **The Tender is in two parts – Lot A. Supply and Delivery of equipment. Lot B. Installation of the equipment in Lot A.**

The **Samoa National Provident Fund (SNPF)** now invites sealed tenders from eligible and qualified Tenderers for **Upgrading (replacement) of Air Condition System at Level 1 & 2 A Building at the SNPF Plaza.**

Tendering will be conducted through the **open competitive tender (OCT)** procedures specified in the Government of Samoa Tenders Board Guidelines for Procurement and Contracting: Goods and Works (GWGS) and is open to all Tenderers from Eligible Source Countries as currently defined in the by the Government of Samoa.

Qualifications requirements includes: **technical, financial, legal and other requirements.** A margin of preference for domestic contractors shall not be applied. Additional details are provided in the Tender Documents.

A complete set of Tender Documents in English can be uplifted for a non-refundable fee of **ST\$100.00** from **SNPF Office – Investment Department (Vanita Semisi Fanolua or Talava Leavasa).**

Tenders must be delivered to the address below at or before **23/12/2022.** Electronic tendering is not permitted. Late tenders will be rejected. Tenders will be opened on **23/12/2022 at 3pm,** in the presence of the Tenderers (or Tenderer's representatives), representatives of contracting/procuring entity and SNPF Procurement Team, at the address, **below.**

The address(es) referred to in above is(are):

Attention: **Chief Executive Officer**  
**Samoa National Provident Fund**  
 Floor/Room number: **Level 4**  
 City: **Apia**  
 Country: **SAMOA**

A pre-tender meeting will be held on **(Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2022) -; 10:00am at SNPF Office Board Room Level 4.**

**Previous tenderers Do not need to resubmit bids.**

Yours Sincerely  
  
**Pauli Prince Suhren**  
**Chief Executive Officer**



# 21 Districts receive first payment of \$1 million

By: Marc Membrere

The current administration's \$1 million project promise has finally bore fruit with more than 20 districts already distributed part of the funds to kick off their approved developments as part of the second phase of the initiative.

Minister of Women, Community, and Social Development Leota Laki Lamositele who also oversees the Ministry that manages the Government's \$1 million tala project revealed in an interview with the Savali Newspaper and Radio 2AP on Tuesday afternoon.

According to Leota the first phase involved the \$200,000 this was the amount disbursed to each district after they had provided all requirements needed to be eligible for the funds to the Ministry of Women, Community and Social Development.

But the funds were to be allocated towards the financing of District Councils and their District Centers (Ofisa Tutotonu o le Itumalo) together with the employment of permanent staff to work the program and developments in the 51 Districts.

Eighteen of the 51 districts were distributed these funds on 27 May this year. The \$200,000 totals up to \$10.2 million.

According to Leota there are three reports that Districts must submit before they receive funds for their development projects.

These reports are;

- Financial statements on the use of the initial \$200,000 and a Letter from the auditor
- 4-year District Development Plan
- And a report on how the \$1 million will be utilized during the current financial year

The disbursement of the \$1 million will not be distributed all at once, the first lot will be \$150,000 to be utilized for the wages of the employees at the District Development Center and the allowances of the Committee members, including operational costs of the office such as furniture and other equipment.

This leaves \$850,000 and the first half of this left-over amount, \$425,000 will be distributed to kick off the projects within the districts with the remaining \$425,000 to be disbursed before the end of the financial year.

Districts who have successfully submitted all three reports will be entitled to withdraw



Minister of Women, Community, and Social Development Leota Laki Lamositele and Minister of Finance Mulipola Anarosa Ale

\$150,000 and \$425,000 of the \$1 million, however for districts who have not completed all three reports they will only be eligible to receive the \$150,000.

To date, 19 districts are eligible to receive \$150,000 while 2 districts are now eligible to receive \$150,000 and \$425,000.

Opposition leader Tuilaepa Dr. Sailele Malielegaoi in a Letter to the Editor dated 12th December 2022 titled "\$1 million not equal to \$150,000" published in the Samoa Observer criticized the project questioning the remaining funds for the FAST administration's first year in Government.

"Only \$200,000 was paid to Districts from

the first million dollars in the first year of FAST's Term, leaving \$800,000 per District for 5 Districts not yet paid out," said Tuilaepa.

"Again, the Minister promised not to worry. It will be available some day in the future. What is amusing is that, Cabinet from top to bottom and vice versa, do not seem to worry. Is it because, there is another secret source of cash to prop up the Minister's spending spree?"

Clarifying the \$200,000 that was disbursed earlier this year, the Minister overseeing the \$1 million project explained that Government only came into administration six months after the first year.

"We could not distribute the \$1 million

because there was no framework to monitor how the money was to be spent," he said.

As a result, Government had come to the conclusion it was best to disburse \$200,000 first.

They had then opted to disburse \$200,000 which comes under the Ministry's "Polokalame mo atinaega o itumalo".

Dispelling rumors of the lack of funds, Leota is confident that the project will go through and money will be available as the economy recovers with opening of borders, remittances from seasonal workers coming in, including the arrival of tourists that will bring cash into the country.

## Early Christmas gift to Elderly Home

By: Marc Membrere

The Ministry of Police, Prisons, and Corrections brought the Christmas spirit to Mapuifagalele Home of the Elderly on Wednesday, surprising the Little Sisters of the Poor and the Residents with a gift of \$2000, fruits and vegetables.

The Samoa Police Services Brass Band and members of the Police force including Police Commissioner Auapaau Logoitino Filipo and Deputy Commissioners Papalii Monalisa Tiai-Keti and Afamasaga were present to present the gift.

Members of the Police Force performed dances and songs that they had performed during the opening of the 13 Days of Christmas programme televised by TV1 Samoa.

This brought smiles to the faces of the residents with laughter following shortly after as a few upbeat songs from the band saw the residents join in the entertainments reflecting their appreciation of the event.

The joy did not end there however, Santa came to the home of the elderly, when Police Commissioner Auapaau presented a \$2000

tala donation to the caretakers of the home in the order of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

But the surprises didn't end there! More followed when the Police Commissioner further offered to aid in the keeping of the home's grounds – inmates from the Tanumalala Prison will continue their service of cleaning the grounds every fortnight.

"I would like to thank the sisters because I heard that you have been feeding the guys who have been coming to clean the grounds," said the Commissioner of Police.

He said that there was no agreement that the sisters would provide them with lunch however the home has continued to extend their services and care of love to the prisoners supplied by the Ministry to aid in the keeping of the grounds at Mapuifagalele.

"We thank you for your respect to the inmates who are cleaning the grounds!"

Auapaau said members of the Ministry prayed for God's love upon them all and even though they are not with their close families during the festive season they were together at Mapuifagalele.

"We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!"



The Samoa Police Services presented a donation of \$2000 and baskets of fruits and vegetables to Mapuifagalele Home of the Elderly



mai le itulau muamua

## Tu'umālō Tapunu'u Niko Lee Hang

Sauniga. Susū lau susuga i le Ta'ita'i o le Sauniga, Rev. Inu Amosa, fa'apea le pāia o Ositaulaga ua o tatou poto i lenei taeao;

“Afio lau afioga i le Ao Mamalu o le Mālō ma lau Masiofo;

Afio le Sui o le Fono a Sui Tofia; Afio Minisitā o le Kapeneta ma Minisitā Lagolago;

Afio lau afioga i le Fa'amasino Sili ma le Vasega o Fa'amasinoga;

Afio lau afioga i le Fofoga Fetalai ma Sui Mamalu o le Fono Aoa Fautulafono;

Afio lau afioga i le sa avea ma Palemia o Samoa, Hon. Tuila'epa Dr. Sa'ilele Malielegaoi

Afio le pāia o 'āiga, paolo ma gafa na sausu sema, uō ma e masani;

Aemaise le susū mai o le Faletua ia Doris ma le nofoaalo.

“O ituaso fa'apenei, na agi fa'asulu ai le tala na momoli mai, ma tutulu ai le Toa ma fa'apea ane mauga o Kilepoa e, 'aua ne'i toe i ai se ua, pe toe totō ifo se sau ia te oe. Ae tautino le solo a le Tupu fa'amasino tonu, 'e sili le aso e oti ai, nai lo le aso na fanau ai'. Auā o i latou uma e momoe o iā Iesu Keriso, e ui ina oti, ae soifua pea.

“Ua mumutu vanu ma ala o le la. Talofa ua ifo le toega o le malama i Sinave ma Uluomoto'otua. Ua to ai le timu, tafea le tauofe, ua paū le masina, ma gasetoto le la. Ua lāgia ai le afio'aga o Usoali'i ma lāua Matua, ae usu le fono iā Atoamafuāupolu, le Faletolu ma le Vainalepa. O le lagi lea, auā le Tapaaufa'asisina, Susū Papāli'i ma To'oā, ma le fa'autaga iā Mago ma Luasiufanua. A ua pogisā Ti'afau, o le Malae o le fa'autugātagi a Samoa; auā ua tu'ua le Mālō e le afioga i le Sui Mamalu o le Fono Aoa Fautulafono o le Mālō Tuto'atasi o Samoa - le Fetalai iā Tapunu'u Papāli'itele Niko Lee Hang.

“E lasi lā'au o le vao, ae iloga lā'au anagatā, e manomano fo'i fetu o le lagi, ae iloga fetu ta'iala ma fetu fa'atonu folau. O le ala lea o le tula'i atu i lenei taeao, e fai ai ma fofoga'aga o le afioga i le Palemia, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa, ou te fa'aleoina le molimau a le tatou Mālō i le soifua auauna o le afioga i le Faipule o le Itumālō Palota o Vaimauga #3.

“O fa'amaumauga o le soifua galue o le afioga iā Tapunu'u i lo tatou Mālō, sa mua'i avea ma Tausitusi (Accountant) i le Fa'alapotopotoga o Inisua a le Mālō se'ia o'o atu i le 1990; ona tofia lea e avea ma Pule Lagolago i le Vaega e Fa'afaeina Tupe (Financial Controller) mai i le 1990–1997. O le 1997 se'ia o'o atu i le 2000 na tofia ai Tapunu'u e avea ma Public Trustee po'o le Tausi Mavaega a Samoa mo le Ofisa o Tausi Mavaega. O Tapunu'u, o se tamāli'i a'oa'oina lelei ma sa ia umia fa'ailoga mauālugaga mai i le lunivesite o Waikato i Niu Sila, ma le lunivesite a New England i Ausetalia.

“Na ulufale Tapunu'u i le Palemene i le Paeā'iga #13 i le 2001, e auala i se palota la'ititi. O ia sa avea ma Sui o le Au Palota Taito'atasi i lona suafa o Niko Lee Hang. Na filifilia ai i lea lava paeā'iga e avea ma Minisitā Lagolago o Fa'amasinoga se'ia o'o atu i le 2004; ona toe fetu'una'i ai lea o tofiga, ma avea ai ma Minisitā Lagolago o Tupe Maua se'ia o'o atu i le 2006.

“Na toe pale mai Tapunu'u i le faigāpalota o le 2006 i le Paeā'iga #14 a le Palemene, ma filifilia ai e avea ma Minisitā o Tupe. O le Paeā'iga #15 i le 2011 na toe filifilia ai fo'i o le Sui mo le Au Palota Taito'atasi, i lona suafa o Papāli'itele Niko Lee Hang, ma tofia ai e avea ma Ta'ita'ifono o le Komiti o Tupe a le Palemene.

“O le 2016 ina ua suia nofoa mo Palota Taito'atasi, na tula'i mai ai Papāli'itele Niko Lee Hang o le Sui o le Paeā'iga #16, mo Nu'u Tu Taulaga i Sasa'e. Sa tofia ai e avea ma Minisitā o Galuega, Felauā'iga ma Atina'e Tetele. E



Afioga i le Sui Palemia, Tuala Tevaga Iosefo Ponifasio

tu'umālō nei le afioga i le Faipule, o avea ma sui o le Komiti o Tupe i le Paeā'iga #17 lenei a le Palemene.

“O le saunoaga fa'ataupou a Tapunu'u i le Maota Fono o le Palemene i le Aso 17 Ianuari, 2002 na ia fa'aigoaina o se lauga e vavae ai foe, o se fa'afiafiaga umi o lo'o fa'aaau. O lana saunoaga lea, e atagia ai nisi vaega tāua e fa'amatalaina ai le afioga iā Tapunu'u ma lona soifua galue. O Tapunu'u, o le tagata loto mauālugaga, laufofoga fiafia ma tusa'afia. Na te silafia pe a fausala lona finagalo, ma e vave ona fa'amālūlū, ma teuteu ma fofō alamea se matā'upu. O Tapunu'u fo'i o se tamāli'i loto tele ma e finau malosi, pe a fuafua atu i fa'amaumauga o ana saunoaga i le Palemene, ma ana galuega ma su'esu'ega sa ia fa'ama'ite, na afua ai nisi o fa'ai'uga tetele a le Mālō i tausaga ua mavae.

“O lana ulua'i fa'afetai lava i le Palemene na 'ave i le Atua i le filifilia o ia e taula mai i lona Itumālō, e avea ma Faipule o le Maota Fono o Samoa. Na tula'i mai e fai ma Sui o le au palota ta'ito'atasi o e pāpā 'ā'ao i le talafatai o Apia ma nu'u tuāoi. Sa matauina lona finauina o matā'upu tau i le atina'e o pisinisi ma fefa'ataua'iga, ma le si'itia o tomā mo'omia e tagata faigaluega.

“O lona fa'atoā tula'i mai i le Palemene, na ia talosagaina ai nisi o vaega ua fa'ataunu'uina nei mo tagata palota ta'ito'atasi, lea e aofia ai le tu'uina atu o nisi o fanua o le Mālō i Tafā'igata mo nisi o i latou sa alala ma pāpā 'ā'ao i Sogi, fa'atūina o le Sui o le Mālō ma le Sui Tama'ita'i mo Elise Fou, tu'uina atu o le suāvai mamā mo A'ele, Aleisā ma isi afio'aga o lona Itumālō. O lana saunoaga lava lea, sa ia fesiligia ai pe aisea ua lē resitala uma ai tagata ua atoa le 21 tausaga ma ua agava'a e palota. O lea fesili,

na fa'atupu manatu i teuteuga o le Tulafono o Faigāpalota, mo i latou ua atoa le 21 tausaga.

“E anoanoa'i Tulafono a le Palemene sa lotolotoi ai Tapunu'u. E lē gē fo'i e fa'aali lona finagalo e tusa lava pe le o gatasi ma ni fa'atatauga a le to'atele.

“I ona tofiga fa'aMinisitā, sa tau'aveina e Tapunu'u nisi o Matāgaluega tupito ma tāua a le Mālō. Sa gafa ma le lufilufiina o le tamāo'āiga ina ua avea ma Minisitā o Tupe, ma galuega tetele a le Mālō ina ua tofia e avea ma Minisitā o Galuega. O le tamāo'āiga o le malosi'aga lea o so'o se atunu'u, auā e fa'alagolago i ai ana atina'e ma le soifua lelei o tagata uma. Ou te taofi, sa matuā fa'aāoga lelei e le afioga i le Ali'i Faipule ona tomā fa'atausi tusi ma su'etusi, e fa'asoasoa ai lo tatou tamāo'āiga i lenā vaitau.

“O galuega tetele e pei o le fausia o le malae va'alele i Faleolo, fa'aleleia o Uafu fa'avāomālō ma va'a e femalaga'i ai le atunu'u, fa'ao'oina atu o le suāvai mamā ma le 'eletise i 'āiga o le atunu'u, auala galue, 'apovai ma auala simā u'amea i le atunu'u, o nisi ia o galuega iloga sa ta'imua ai Tapunu'u a'o avea ma Minisitā o Galuega i le Paeā'iga talu ai. E tele isi galuega o lo'o fa'amauina, aemaise lona tali atu i manaoga e autova'a mai ai le atunu'u mo se fesoasoani.

“E tu'umālō nei le Ali'i Faipule ua 21 tausaga o avea ma Faipule o le Palemene. O lona uiga o se tasi o toe ulutaia o le Palemene. Ua lava fo'i lona tomā ma le silafia i galuega fa'apalemene ma galuega fa'aMinisitā.

“Ina ua si'isi'i le tai i se tasi o matā'upu talu ai nei i le Palemene, ma se tasi o afioga i Minisitā, na fa'ai'u lava le saunoaga a Tapunu'u e faapea, “o ā tā'ua galuega lelei, tau ia ina ia ta mitamita ai ma omiomi i lalo, ina ne'i lē maua ai se vi'iga

o le Atua”. O se tamāli'i na ia amanaia le va lelei o Faipule o le Palemene, ma le mamalu o felafolafoā'iga a le Maota. Ae sa ta'i lana silasila ia sili le vi'iga o le Atua i lana tautua mo Samoa. O lea o lo'o silafia e le Susuga iā Pastor Inu ma le Ekalesia, o Tapunu'u sa tautua mo le Atua ma fa'aāoga lelei ana taleni e auauna ai i le galuega a le Atua.

“Le pāia o 'āiga, paolo ma gafa, le Faletua ma le nofoaalo, e lē ititi le fa'afetai o le tatou Mālō i la outou lupe fa'alele – le Tōfā iā Tapunu'u. Fa'afetai le tapua'i, fa'amālō le faitatalo, a'o feagai le Ali'i Faipule ma ona tiute fa'alemālō. O la outou taulaga lava lea ma le tautua mo si o tatou atunu'u. Lau afioga i le Faletua ma le nofoaalo, fa'afetai le lototele ma le onosa'i i le tele o nei mau tausaga sa ofoina ai le soifua o Tapunu'u, e tautua ai lona atunu'u. E tele fatia ma fitā, o lu'itau o le galuega sa feagai ma Tapunu'u. A'o tofiga a le Atua, e faae'e atu i lē ua tatai i ai, ina ia galueā'ina ma le fa'amaoni. Lea ua mae'a ana galuega, ua tautalaaso, ma e manatua pea.

“Amuia oe Tapunu'u, ua tuta lou sa folau ma ua tau i matagofie. Mālō fa'afetai mo au galuega ma lau tautua mo Samoa. Fo'i ia le agaga i le Atua, se'ia o'o i le aso o le Toetu.

“O le toe 'upu, ia fa'amafanafanaina le pāia o 'āiga, le Faletua ma le nofoaalo, lau Susuga i le Fa'afeagaiga ma le Ekalesia, fa'apea le tatou Mālō. Ia tatou maua pea le filēmū ina ua o tatou mautinoa 'o le lagi o lo'o tatou nu'u moni o lo'o fa'atali mai ai lo tatou Fa'aola o Iesu Keriso.

“Ia manuia tele toe sauniga o le afioga i le Ali'i Faipule.

“SOIFUA”



# Lumana'i o le Fa'atanoa vai tele ua fuafua i Ālaoa

**Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi**

O le fausia o le fa'atanoa i Ālaoa, o se tasi lea o atina'e tele a le Mālō o lo'o tālia lona fa'ataunu'uina.

Mo le silafia, o le tau fuafuaina o lea galuega tele, e \$100 miliona ma o le a fa'atupeina e le Faletupe o Atina'e a Asia (A.D.B.), o le Mālō Ausetalia fa'atasi ai ma le Mālō o Samoa ma o lo'o ta'imua ai le Matāgaluega o Galuega Tetele, Fela'uā'iga ma Atina'e 'Ese'ese (M.W.T.I.)

Ua i ai le fuafuaga mamao a le Mālō, e tatau ona o'atu i le tausaga e 2025 ua mae'a atoatoa lenei galuega tele.

A'o fa'agasolo fuafuaga mo le fa'ataunu'uina o lea galuega, sa faia e le Matāgaluega se fa'atalanoaga lautele ma le mamalu o le atunu'u, e soālaupule ai finagalo e mafai ona tā'iala ma fa'avae ai fuafuaga i le tulaga o a'afiaga e ono o'o i ai le tamāo'āiga o le si'osi'omaga.

I le feiloā'iga a le Savali ma le Ofisa Sili o Pulega a le M.W.T.I. iā Fui Tupa'i Mau Simanu na ia saunoa ai i le fuafuaga o lea galuega.

"O le taimi nei o lo'o fa'agasolo le pepa o tauofoga, lea o lo'o galulue fa'atasi ai le Matāgaluega nei ma le Kamupanī mai Ausetalia.

Fa'ailoa e Fui, atonu o le tausaga fou, ua mae'a le galuega o lo'o fa'atino ma 'ave ai loa

e sa'ili se kamupanī e tusia le ata fa'apea ma le va'aiga o le galuega.

"Sa fa'atino fa'atalanoaga fa'alaua'itele fa'apenei muamua i tua i nu'u ma afio'aga lea sa tele ina a'afia i timuga ma tafega.

"O lo'o tumau pea ona amanaia fa'ai'uga o fa'atalanoaga ua tuana'i, ma le mamalu lautele o le atunu'u.

Peita'i, ona o a'afiaga o le tamāo'āiga o le si'osi'omaga o vaomatua, vaitafe, manu felelei ma isi, o lea sa fa'ataunu'u ai lea fa'amoemoe.

"O le fa'amoemoe o lea atina'e, e mo le puipuiga o tagata lautele mai suiga ma'ale'ale o le tau.

"O se atina'e e mafai ai ona taofiofi le malosi o tafega ma lologa e māfua mai uta i Ālaoa, i taimi e mamafa ai timuga ma fa'alavelave fa'alenua.

"O lea fa'atanoa vai, o le a ia pu'eina le suāvai i taimi o timuga mamafa e fesoasoani i le Pulega o Suāvai auā taimi o fa'alavelave fa'alenua.

"A'o le Fa'alapotopotoga o Malosi'aga tau 'Eletise, ina ia fa'aogaina malosiaga fa'afouina mo le gaosia o le 'eletise.

"O sini autū e tolu o lea polokalame, o atina'e e aofia ai le puipuia o nu'u ma alalafaga mai lologa ma tafega, maua pea le suāvai mamā i taimi o lologa, fa'alavelave fa'alenua, ma le taimi o le lamala (drought / dry season)



**Ofisa Sili o Pulega a le Matāgaluega o Galuega Tetele, Fela'uā'iga ma Atina'e 'Ese'ese (M.W.T.I.) iā Fui Tupa'i Mau Simanu**

fa'atasi ai ma le maua o le 'eletise fa'aopoopo e fa'aitiitia ai le fa'aleagaina o le si'osi'omaga mai kasa 'o'ona."

O le 2014 sa amata fuafua mai ai lea galuega, ma sa fa'alauiloa ai fo'i i le taimi o fa'atalanoaga fa'alaua'itele le telē o le fanua o le Mālō o le a

fa'atino ai lea atina'e i Ālaoa.

E 4,573 eka le telē o le fanua o le Mālō o lo'o i Ālaoa peita'i e 500 eka o lea fanua, ua fuafua e fausia lenei fa'atanoa vai tele, ma e 60 mita lona mauālua ae 320 mita lona lautele.

# Ia manino Tala o le Tupe a'o le'i fa'asafua le \$1 miliona

**Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi**

O le tula'i mai o le Faigāmālō a le Fa'atuatua i le Atua Samoa ua Tasi (F.A.S.T.) e tau'aveina le sa o Samoa mo lenei lima tausaga, o se tasi lea o a latou fa'amamafa ma le fa'atāua ina ia tu'u atu sa'o seleni i lima o tagata lautele o Itumālō, e fa'asoasoa ai lava atina'e mana'omia mo le manuia o nu'u ta'itasi.

O le va'aiga mamao lenā o le fuafuaga mo le \$1 miliona ua fa'ata'atia i tausaga ta'itasi mo Itumālō.

I le feiloā'iga a le Savali ma le Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o Tinā ma Tama'ita'i, Atina'e o Nu'u ma Agafeso'ota'i iā Leota Laki Lamositele, sa ia fa'amanino atili ai le fa'asoasoina o seleni o le \$1 miliona fa'atasi ai ma le \$200,000 sa mua'i fa'asafua i Itumālō mo le fausia o Ofisa o Fono Fa'avae.

"O le \$200,000 lea sa fa'amatu'u atu muamua e le Matāgaluega e pei fo'i ona i ai sainigāluma sa fai, e mo le fausia o Ofisa o Fono Fa'avae a Itumālō, o le fa'atogaina o le Ofisa, o totogi o le afaigaluega sa gafa ma le galuega fa'atasi ai ma alauni o le Komiti auā e totogi ta'i masina.

O lea vaegātupe sa aumai totonu o le paketi a le Matāgaluega o Tinā ma Tama'ita'i, Atina'e o Nu'u ma Agafeso'ota'i i le vaega o le Polokalame mo Atina'e o Itumālō.

I nai vaiaso ua mavae sa toe saina 'ā'ao ai fo'i le Mālō ma Sui mai nisi o Komiti o Fono Fa'avae a nisi o Itumālō mo le fa'amatu'uina atu o le 15% o le polōketi \$1 miliona tusa lea ma le \$150,000 lona tau aofa'i.

Saunoa Leota, e tolu vaega e mo'omia e le Mālō e mafai ai ona agava'a Itumālō e 51 mo le talaina i tua o ā latou \$1 miliona mo atina'e ua fuafua.

"Vaega Muamua o le Tala o le Tupe o le \$200,000 lea sa fa'amatu'u atu muamua, e aumai ai ma le tusi fa'amaonia a le Su'etusi ina ua mae'a iloiloina le Tala o le Tupe pe o talafeagai lona fa'aogaina e tusa ma aiaiga o lo'o fa'ata'oto atu e le Matāgaluega.

"E aofia ai ma le su'esu'ega fa'apitoa a le Matāgaluega, ina ia mautinoa o lo'o sa'o fuainumera o lo'o tu'uina mai i le Tala o Tupe a Itumālō ta'itasi.



**Afioga i le Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o Tupe iā Mulipola Anarosa 'Ale – Molio'o ma le Afioga i le Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o Tinā ma Tama'ita'i, Atina'e o Nu'u ma Agafeso'ota'i iā Leota Laki Lamositele i le sainia o maliega mo le fa'amatu'uina atu o seleni o le atina'e \$1 miliona i Itumālō ta'itasi.**

"Vaega Lua, e tatau i Itumālō uma ona fai a latou fuafuaga mamao i luga o le fa (4) tausaga.

"O lona uiga o atina'e uma e fuafuaina e tatau ona fa'atino i totonu o lea 4 tausaga.

"Ma le vaega tolu, o le Tala o le Tupe i lona fa'aogaina i totonu o le isi ono masina o lo'o totoe o lenei tausaga fa'aletupe.

"Afai ua fa'amalieina le vaega muamua e ala i Tala o le Tupe ua tu'uina mai, o i latou uma na lea ua agava'a mo le 15% o le \$1 miliona lea sa sainia, tusa lea ma le \$150,000.

"O le \$150,000 o le tupe lenā e fa'agaioi ai le Ofisa o le Fono Fa'avae ma totogi ai pili mo le Ofisa o Itumālō.

"O le \$850,000 lea e totoe, e fa'aogaina mo

atina'e ua mae'a fuafua e Itumālō, e fa'avae i luga o le latou fuafuaga mamao ma le Tala o le Tupe ua fa'ata'oto.

"O lea seleni, e tala muamua le \$450,000 ona fa'aogaina lea, a mae'a ona toe avatu lea o le isi \$450,000 pe a tu'uina mai i le Matāgaluega le lipoti o le fa'aogaina o le \$450,000 muamua.

"O lea lava e taumafai e unā'ia atu Itumālō, ina ia uma ane le tausaga lenei, ua mae'a mai a latou Ofisa.

"Se'iloga lava e mautū a latou Ofisa ma le afaigaluega ona fa'atoā fa'amatu'u atu lea i ai o le \$850,000 lea.

"E mafai ona fa'amatu'u i ai le \$150,000, ona o la e i ai le afaigaluega ma le Komiti e

faia galuega i le taimi nei, a'o le isi vaega o le seleni, e faigatā ona toe avatu i ai pe afai e le'i mautū lelei Ofisa ina ia mafai ai ona fa'atino a latou galuega."

E 21 Itumālō ua saina le 15% o le polōketi o le \$1 miliona e pei ona i ai le sainigāluma sa fa'atautaia i le Maota o le To'oā Salamasina i le vaiaso ua mavae.

O ia Itumālō Palota e aofia ai Fa'asaleleaga 3, Gagaemauga 1, Vaimauga 2, Faleata 2, Gagaemauga 2, Fa'asaleleaga 4, Falealili 2, Palauli 3, Falealili 1, Falealupo, Palauli 1 ma Palauli 2, Safata 2, Faleata 1, Satupaitea Aana Alofi 3, Vaisigano 1, Sagaga 2, Sagaga 4, Aana Alofi ma Aleipata Itupa i Luga.





**Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Labour**  
Matagaluega o Pisinisi, Alamanuia ma Leipa



**FA'ASILASILAGA FA'ALAU'ITELE**  
**ASO MALOLO MO TAGATA UMA MO LE FA'AMANATUINA O LE KERISIMASI**  
**2022 MA LE TAUSAGA FOU 2023**

E tusa ai ma aiaiga o le Fuaiupu e 2 o le Tulafono o Aso Malolo mo Tagata Uma 2008 e fa'asilasila atu i le mamalu o le atunuu, afaipisinisi, pule o galuega ma tagata faigaluega, o le a avea Aso o le a taua i lalo ma Aso malolo mo le faamanatuina o le Kerisimasi 2022 ma le Tausaga Fou 2023:

- |                              |                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1) Aso Sa, 25 Tesema 2022    | 4) Aso Sa, 1 Ianuari 2023    |
| 2) Aso Gafua, 26 Tesema 2022 | 5) Aso Gafua, 2 Ianuari 2023 |
| 3) Aso Lua, 27 Tesema 2022   | 6) Aso Lua, 3 Ianuari 2023   |

E mafai ona tatalaina pisinisi i Aso Malolo i lalo o aiaiga o le Tulafono o Aso Malolo mo Tagata Uma 2008. E fautuaina i latou e pulea galuega ina ia mulimulitaia Vaega talafeagai o le Tulafono o Sootaga Va Lelei o Leipa ma Galuega 2013 mo le totogiina o tagata faigaluega i Aso Malolo.

Mo nisi fa'amatalaga fa'amolemole fa'afesootai le Vaega o le Va Fealoai i Galuega, Pemitia mo tagata faigaluega mai fafo, Saogalemu ma le Soifua Maloloina i Galuega i le telefoni 20441,20442.

Fa'afetai

**Leituala Lisi Faletutulu Asuao**  
**SUI OFISA SILI O PULEGA**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS FOR CHRISTMAS 2022 AND NEW YEAR 2023**

In accordance with section 2 of the Public Holidays Act 2008, the public, Government agencies and the private sector are hereby advised that following dates are to be treated as Public Holidays to celebrate Christmas 2022 and New Year 2023:

- |                                |                              |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1) Sunday, 25th December 2022  | 4) Sunday, 1st January 2023  |
| 2) Monday, 26th December 2022  | 5) Monday, 2nd January 2023  |
| 3) Tuesday, 27th December 2022 | 6) Tuesday, 3rd January 2023 |

Businesses may open during a Public Holiday in accordance with the provisions of the Public Holidays Act 2008. Further, employers are advised to comply with relevant provisions under the Labour and Employment Relations Act 2013 regarding payment of Public Holiday pay.

For further information, please contact the Industrial Relations, Employment Permits and Occupational Safety and Health Division at telephone (+685) 20441/20442.

Thank you,

**Leituala Lisi Faletutulu Asuao**  
**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**





**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Komisi o Galuega a le Malō

Please address all  
correspondence to the **Chairman**

Faamolemole faatuātusi uma  
feso'otā'iga i le **Taitaifono**

## SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT

The Public Service Commission, on behalf of the Government of Samoa, invites applications from qualified applicants for the following Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director position:

**\* CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries**

**Salary: CEO Grade C SAT\$119,033.00 to \$123,361.00 per annum**

**Position Code: AG001640**

*(Due Date: Wednesday 21st December 2022)*

*See Conditions below*

**\* EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**Samoa Law Reform Commission**

**Salary: CEO Grade C SAT\$119,033.00 to \$123,361.00 per annum**

**Position Code: LC000001**

*(Due Date: Wednesday 21st December 2022)*

*See Conditions below*

The above appointments are on a contractual basis for three (3) years and are advertised at the end of each 3 year term.

All Application Packages can be uplifted from the Office of the Public Service Commission or downloaded from the PSC website <https://www.psc.gov.ws/employment/special-advertisements/>

How to apply:

**1. Making an Application (Please read carefully)**

(a) For your application to be considered you must complete ALL requirements of the Application Package

1. Letter of Application
2. Complete and signed Application Form (Form 2)
3. Certified Copies of all academic achievements/qualifications.
4. Recently updated Curriculum Vitae (last updated within 12 months)
5. Three most recent written references (within the last 12 months)

**ALL INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR SHORTLISTING!!!**

**2. Submission of Application**

**(a) All Applications should be addressed to:**

The Chairman  
Public Service Commission  
Level 2, FMFMII Government Building  
Apia, Samoa

- (b) Applications can be submitted via email: [jhisatake@psc.gov.ws](mailto:jhisatake@psc.gov.ws) and/or address specified in the application package
- (c) All Applications for the position will be closed on Wednesday 21st December 2022 at 5:00pm
- (d) For more information, please do not hesitate to contact Jason Hisatake on email [jhisatake@psc.gov.ws](mailto:jhisatake@psc.gov.ws) or SES Division on telephone 22123.

**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!!!**



# Ia malu puipuia aiā tatau a tagata Samoa

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

**Ua fa'ailoa e le afioga i le Palemia, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa e tumau pea le mau a Samoa, ina ia malu puipuia aiā tatau a ona tagatanu'u i so'o se auunaga o le soifuaga.**

**O le fa'amanatu ai i tausaga ta'itasi o le fa'atāua mo lea aso fa'apitoa i le Aso 10 Tesema, o se itu lelei lea mo Samoa ina ia mautinoa le soifua manuia o ona tagata ma ola fiafia.**

Saunoa le Ta'ita'i o le Mālō;

“O lea ua tatou tuvae i le tau fa'ai'uga o galuega fai o lenei tausaga i le manuia ma le filēmū o le Atua, a'o le aso fo'i na atofa, e sunu'i tonu ai lau o le fo, mo le fa'atāuaina o Aiā Tatau mo Tagata Soifua o le lalolagi atoa, ae o le aso fo'i e muta ai galuega fa'atino o le 16 aso o galuega fa'alauiloa i taumafaiga e taofia ai sauaga fa'asaga i Tinā ma Tama'ita'i.

“E tumau pea le malosi o Samoa e lagolago le malu puipuia o aiā tatau fa'aletagata soifua ma ua galulue mulumulu aufoe i le agaga e tutūfa'atasi i taumafaiga a le lalolagi atoa i le aso lenei, Aso 10 o Tesema, e fa'atāua le fa'amanatuina ma le taliaina o Le Ta'utinoga Fa'avāomālō tau i Aiā Tatau a Tagata Soifua 1948.

“O se matātī'a mauālugā i le tala fa'asolopito o le lalolagi lea Ta'utinoga, o lo'o ta'utino ai sa'olotoga ma aiā tatau tau le tagata soifua e laugātasia ai tagata uma i lona puipuiga, auā o tatou o tagata soifua.

“O le fa'aaauai ai pea ona fa'amanatu e Samoa i tausaga ta'itasi e fa'amautū ai pea lo tatou lagolago i faiga tutusa, puipuiga o le filēmū, fai meatonu, sa'olotoga, ma le amanaia o le mamalu fa'aletagata soifua, tusa lava po'o le a le 'ese'esega o tapuā'iga, atunu'u, lanu, po'o le itu'āiga tagata.

“A'o i ai Samoa i le fa'amanatuina o le 60 tausaga o lana folauga talu ona tuto'atasi i le manatu autū “Folau ma le Fa'atuatua” e avea ai fo'i lenei aso tatou te fa'amanatu ma patipatia ai aiā tatau fa'aletagata soifua ma sa'olotoga ua fa'atāua aloā'ia i totonu o le Fa'avāe o Samoa e tiu ai so'o se tagatanu'u o Samoa e tusa lava po'o fea e alala ai.

“Avea lenei avanoa e momoli atu ai fa'amanuiga o le aso mo aiā tatau o tagata soifua i Samoa nei. Aemaise o le fa'amālō i pā'aga ma Fa'alapotopotoga galulue fa'apea Matāgaluega a le Mālō o lo'o gafa ma galuega faifaipea e unā'ia ma amanaia ai aiā tatau o tagata soifua ma le faiga tutusa o tagata uma i so'o se vaega.

“Aua lava ne'i galo iā te oe a tatou tu ma agaifanua masani i le tausiga o le va tu'utu'u nonofo ma le va tu'utu'u fafau, tainane le va tu'utu'u tutū. E fai fo'i o lea, a'o le va tapuia ma le ava fatafata o le tasi i le isi, o le ogātotonugālēmū lenā o aiā tatau fa'aletagata soifua, e tausi i le tu fa'aaloalo ma aga tausili uma, ina ia laugātasia ai le fealofani, fetausia'i, feavata'i, faimeatonu, ma atagia ai pulega lelei e fa'avāe i tulafono mautū ma fa'akerisiano aemaise o tu ma aganu'u masani a Samoa. “E le sesē le 'upu - E mamae le tava'e i ona fulu e fa'apenā le

Samoa i lana aganu'u. E tamāli'i le tufanua ae iloa i ona fua. E lē a'oā'ia e Laupuā ia Tamafaigā, auā o tama a manulele e fafaga i fuga o lā'au, a'o tama a le tagata e fafaga i 'upu ma tala.

“O vaega lava ia aupito i tāua o aiā tatau fa'ale tagata soifua, o ki fo'i lea i faitoto'a o le fa'anofo filēmūina o so'o se matā'upu i totonu o faigāmālō, faigānu'u ma ekalesia.

“Ava ma fa'aaloalo i faiga fa'atemokalasi, aiā tatau fa'aletagata soifua, pulega lelei ae noanoa mau i la tatou tu ma aganu'u mamalu fa'atasi ma le fa'atuatua na fai ma malu o si o tatou atunu'u talu mai ona tuto'atasi; ma e tumau pea lo tatou tūtūmau i nei faiga e avea ai pea si o tatou atunu'u ma tā'iala pupula i totonu o lo tatou itulagi ma fafo atu.

“Manuia le Aso mo Aiā Tatau mo Tagata Soifua.”



Afioga i le Palemia o Samoa, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa



**SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**SAMOA HOUSING CORPORATION**

Applications are invited from interested qualified candidates for the above-mentioned position.

**Salary:**

Commensurate with the Salary Package for CEO's of Government Ministries and Public Bodies.

**Duration of Contract:**  
**Application Package:**

A term of three (3) years.

Detailed information are included in the Application Package which can be uplifted from the Ministry for Public Enterprises ('MPE') or downloaded from the MPE website [www.mpe.gov.ws](http://www.mpe.gov.ws).

Applications must be marked “**Confidential – Application for CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SAMOA HOUSING CORPORATION**”

**and addressed to:**

The Chairman  
Board of Director  
Samoa Housing Corporation  
Apia, Samoa

**and delivered to MPE Office**

Level 1, NPF Plaza  
Tel 34500  
Beach Road, Apia

**Closing Date & Submission of Applications:**

Completed applications should be received by the Ministry for Public Enterprises, Level 1, NPF Plaza Building on or before **Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023, by 4.00 p.m.**

It is important to note that ALL applications received after the time and date stated in the advertisement **WILL NOT** be accepted and considered during the short listing process.

Applications can be submitted via email [cam.wendt@mpe.gov.ws](mailto:cam.wendt@mpe.gov.ws). A hard copy of an electronically submitted application received after the due date may be accepted given the electronic copy was received on time.

For more information, please contact the Assistant Chief Executive Officer (Public Bodies Governance Division) Manu'a Dr. Cam Wendt of the Ministry for Public Enterprises on phone 34500 ext 206 or email [cam.wendt@mpe.gov.ws](mailto:cam.wendt@mpe.gov.ws).



# A lelei i Upolu, e lelei fo'i mo Savai'i

Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi

E mauālugā le va'ai a le Mālō i le tapuā'iga a Puleono i Salāfai, aemaise o galuega sa fitāituga i ai i le tausaga atoa, o lenei ua fa'ai'uina ma le manuia.

O le ala lea, ua manatu ai le Mālō ia faia fo'i ni fa'afiafiaga a'o ni mea fa'apāpā (fireworks) mo Savai'i e fa'amanatu ai le a'e manuia o galuega o lenei tausaga ma le ulufale atu i le tausaga fou 2023.

O lea fa'amoemoe tele, o lo'o taulāmua ai le Matāgaluega o Leoleo, Falepuipui ma le Ola Toefuatā'ina, Pulega o Tagata Tafafao Maimoa Mai Fafo (S.T.A.) ma le Pulega o Tineimū ma Fa'alavelave Fa'afuase'i (S.F.E.S.A.).

I le feiloā'iga a Sui o lenei Komiti Galue ma Tusitala;

“O le vaiaso fou ua fuafua e fa'agasolo ai polokalame o fa'afiafiaga, ina ia maua ai le avanoa o le mamalu lautele o le atunu'u e maimoa ma tafafao ai i le Matagalalua Friendship Park i tuā maota o le maota o le Mālō.

“O le savali (parade) o le a faia i le Aso Lulu, 21 Tesema amata mai luma o le Ofisa o le Pulega o Tineimū se'ia pā'ia lumā maota o le maota o le Mālō.

“O fa'afiafiaga o le a fa'atautaia i Matagalalua Friendship Park fa'atasi ai ma mea fa'apāpā o le a faia i luga o le sami i gatai ane o le uafu i Matā'utu.

“O le polokalame o le savali e na'o Upolu lava, a'o fa'afiafiaga ma mea fa'apāpā, o le a fa'atino le isi vaega mo Upolu nei, a'o le isi vaega mo Salāfai.

“E fai fa'afiafiaga i Savai'i fa'atasi ai ma mea



Mea fa'apāpā i le tausaga 2020

fa'apāpā i le po o le vaeluaga, Aso To'ana'i, 31 Tesema 2022 i Amoa Resort.

“O tausaga ua mavae, sa na'o Apia sa fai ai mea fa'apāpā ma polokalame nei, peita'i o lenei tausaga, ua a'e se tōfā i le Mālō ina ia 'ave nei polokalame i Savai'i, se'i maimoa fo'i le mamalu lautele o lo'o i Savai'i i le fa'apāpāina o mea fa'apāpā.

“O polokalame fa'ata'atia a le tatou Mālō, tatou te fiafia fa'atasi ai ma turisi tafafao mai aemaise o 'āiga o lo'o malaga mai fafo mo tafaoga.

O ia polokalame uma, o le fa'amamafa a le

Matāgaluega o Leoleo ma le Pulega o Tineimū ina ia tautuana le saogālēmū o le atunu'u lautele i le taimi e fa'apāpā ai mea fa'apāpā.

“O tatou mea fa'apāpā o le a fai i luga o le va'a o le Fotu o Samoa.

“O le tausaga ua mavae, o luga lava o le mauga o Vaea e fa'apāpā ai, peita'i o le tausaga lenei ua toe se'e mai ai i luga o le va'a.

“E le'i i ai se fa'afitaili na tula'i mai i nofoaga sa fa'atautaia ai le fa'apāpāina o mea fa'apāpā i luga o le mauga o Vaea, ae i ai le talitonuga o le Komiti, e manaia ae fai ma suisui nofoaga e fa'atino ai lea fuafuaga ina ia mafai ona iloa

mai e le isi itu o Samoa.

“O mea fa'apāpā fa'atoā fai lava i le vaeluaga o le Aso To'ana'i, 31 Tesema 2022, tatou te fa'atali ai le toai taunu'u mai o le tausaga 2023.

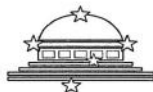
“E fautuaina ai le mamalu lautele o le atunu'u, aemaise lava i latou e taumafa 'ava malosī, ina ia tautuaga le saogālēmū i taimi uma.

“O lea ua tatou aga'i atu mo le Kerisimasi, e fautuaina ai le atunu'u ina ia fa'amuumua le saogālēmū i taimi uma, ina ia maua uma e Samoa se Kerisimasi fiafia ma se Tausaga Fou manuia.”



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**FAASILASILAGA**

**AVANOAGA O LE NOFOA O LE PALEMENE**

E tusa ai ma aiaiga o le Fuaiupu 148(2) o le Tulafono o Faiga Palota 2019, ua ou tuuina atu ai nei le Faasilasilaga ua avanoa nei le Nofoa o le Palemene mo le Itumalo Palota o Vaimauga 3 ona ua tuumalo le Afoga Hon TAPUNUU Niko Lee Hang i le aso 29 Novema 2022.

TUUIINA atu i Mulinu i lenei aso 14<sup>th</sup> Tesema 2022.

Hon PAPALII Lio Oloipola Taegu Masipau  
**FOFOGA FETALAI O LE FONO AOA O FAITULAFONO**



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**VACANCY IN PARLIAMENT**

In pursuance to Section 148(2) of the Electoral Act 2019, Notice hereby given that the Seat in Parliament for the Electoral Constituency of Vaimauga 3 is now vacant following the passing away of Afoga Hon TAPUNUU Niko Lee Hang on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

GIVEN at Mulinu this 14<sup>th</sup> day of 12 2022.

Hon PAPALII Lio Oloipola Taegu Masipau  
**SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SAMOA**



# IA MAUA LE AGAGA O LE KERISIMASI

O tausaga uma, e fa'afiafia ai lava le Matāgaluega o Leoleo, Falepuipui ma le Ola Toefuatā'ina i le Maota o Mapuifagalele e momoli ai le feau ma le agaga moni o le Kerisimasi i nai tamā ma tinā mātutua o lo'o i lea mofoaga fa'apitoo.

O pesepesega ma vi'ivi'iga fa'aleagaga, e momoli ai le feau tāua i le fanau mai o le pepe o le Kerisimasi ma o se vailā'au suamālie lea a'o se fa'aola

totoga i nai o tatou matua tausui.

O lea fa'amoemoe, sa foa'i ai e le Matāgaluega o Leoleo, Falepuipui ma le Ola Toefuatā'ina le seleni e \$2,000 fa'atasi ai ma taumafa o fuālā'au 'aina ma fuālā'au faisua.

**Pu'e Ata: Marc Membrere**





# IA MAUA LE AGAGA O LE KERISIMASI

