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## MULIAGATELE ANNOUNCES MANU SAMOA 7s SQUAD For the Hamilton 7s & Sydney 7s 2023 Hamilton 7s: 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> January | Sydney 7s: 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023

TUANAIMATO (17 January 2023)

### Starts

Head Coach: Muliagatele Brian Lima announces the Manu Samoa 7s squad for the Hamilton 7s on 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> January and Sydney 7s on 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023 - HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series 2023.

### Manu Samoa 7s squad:

| Manu Samoa 7s squad               |                                     |   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <i>Name</i>                       | <i>Club</i>                         | <i>Villages</i>                                 |
| 1 VAAFAUESE APELU MALIKO (CC)     | Tepatasi, Samoa                     | Lotopue, Lufilufi, Laulii & Fusi Saolufata      |
| 2 VAOVASA AFA SU'A (CC)           | Tamauli Salelologa, Samoa           | Salelavalu, Salelologa & Faala Palauli          |
| 3 MELANI MATAVAO (CC)             | Marist St. Josephs, Samoa           | Fasitoo Uta, Laulii & Saaga Siumu               |
| 4 PAUL ETI SLATER                 | Laulii, Samoa                       | Lalomalava & Laulii                             |
| 5 NEUELI LEITUFIA                 | Laulii, Samoa                       | Laulii, Faleasiu & Sapapalii                    |
| 6 MOTU OPETAI                     | Siumu, Samoa                        | Siumu, Leauvaa & Vaimoso                        |
| 7 OWEN NIUE                       | Tamauli Salelologa, Samoa           | Taga, Gataivai, Siufaga & Sapapalii             |
| 8 PAUL SCANLAN                    | Moataa, Samoa                       | Moataa & Satuimalufilufi                        |
| 9 STEVE ONOSAI                    | Vaiala, Samoa                       | Vaiala & Falelima                               |
| 10 UAINA SIONE                    | Tamauli Salelologa, Samoa           | Faala Palauli, Sapapalii, Salelologa & Saleimoa |
| 11 LEVI MILFORD                   | Waverley College, Sydney, Australia | Lotofaga & Falelatai                            |
| 12 TAUNUU NIULEVAEA               | Safotu, Samoa                       | Fasitoo Tai & Vailuutai                         |
| 13 FAAFOI FALANIKO                | Tepatasi, Samoa                     | Lotopue, Salelesi & Samusu                      |
| 14 TUNA TUITAMA                   | Apia, Samoa                         | Mulifanua & Faleasiu                            |
| Management                        |                                     |   |
| <i>Name</i>                       | <i>Position</i>                     | <i>Villages</i>                                 |
| 15 MULIAGATELE BRIAN LIMA         | Head Coach                          | Letogo, Afega & Avao                            |
| 16 TAUSA FAAMOE FAAMAONI LALOMILO | Assistant Coach                     | Safotu, Falefa, Leusoalii & Sinamoga            |
| 17 JUNIOR NARAYAN                 | Analyst                             | Poutasi Falealili, Vaivase, Sinamoga            |
| 18 TUALA LEAEGA PAT LEOTA         | Team Manager                        | Leauvaa, Lotofaga, Faleula, Gautavai & Sili     |
| 19 SOPHIE WILSON                  | Physiotherapist                     | Auckland, NZ                                    |

### Note:

CC Co-Captain

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