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Govt. To Seek Pacific Leaders Views On R.S.E.

By: Nanai Taofiga Laveitiga Tuiletufuga

As Government continues with its reforms to recruit locals for seasonal employment overseas, Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mata'afa plans to raise the R.S.E. issue on the regional level, when the Pacific Forum Leaders meet in Fiji later this month.

The Prime Minister told a Press Conference that like Samoa, the region is experiencing the same challenges surfacing from the lucrative temporary jobs.

And like Samoa, Forum countries challenges include their respective skilled labors attracted to work in New Zealand and Australia on a temporary basis for higher income.

She feels that a regional approach is more equitable and can be more effective in addressing the delicate issue as a region and not as individual Forum countries.

With Government Leaders from New Zealand and Australia attending the upcoming meeting, the Prime Minister Fiame also sees this as the opportune time for views from both the recruiting partners and the sending Pacific Island countries to brainstorm in hopes to reach a common ground of compromise.

She noted that Pacific Island countries are feeling the pinch with the recruitment of skilled workforce to meet the labour

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Hurricane Gabriel's aftermath under Govt. Surveillance

MEETING THE PRESS; Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mataafa.

By: Nanai Taofiga Laveitiga Tuiletufuga

The welfare and security of close to 80 Samoan Seasonal Workers in New Zealand affected by Hurricane Gabriel is under Government surveillance, Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mataafa has assured the country in her weekly Press Conference last night.

Reportedly, a number of farms and orchards where the Samoan workers are employed suffered severe flooding over the weekend and

Government agencies which includes the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade complemented by the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Labor have seen been put on alert monitoring the aftermath of the Hurricane.

"All our Seasonal workers are accounted for and there are no casualties," reassured the Prime Minister.

Responding to media inquiries, the Prime Minister notes that whether the RSE workers will be evacuated home is a question which is subject to a review with their New Zealand employers due to contractual

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30 Itumālō ua fa'amatu'u i ai 15% o le \$1 miliona



Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi

Ua tomua le amataga o lenei tausaga i le saina lea o le 15% o le \$1 miliona mo Itumālō Palota e lima, ina ua fa'amalieina aiaiga ma tu'utu'uga fa'aletulafono e tusa o lea fuafuaga mamao a le Mālō.

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Mo le silafia e le atunu'u, e na'o le to'a 17 Itumālō Palota ua agava'a i le 50% o le polōketi \$1 miliona mo atina'e a Itumālō ta'itasi, ina ua fa'amalieina uma aiaiga

fa'aletulafono o lo'o ua fa'ata'oto.

O lea 17, e 8 Itumālō ua mae'a saina lea maliega i le tausaga ua mavae, a'o le isi 9 ua fuafuaina e fa'ataunu'u le saina o lea maliega i lenei tausaga.

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O ia Itumālō e aofia ai Gagaifomauga #3, Siumu, Lefaga & Falese'elā, Anoāma'a #1 ma Vaimauga #3.

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By: **Nanai Taofiga Laveitiga Tuiletufuga**

On top of updating the Governments' National Workforce Plan which expired 16 years ago, the ongoing review by the Public Service Commission of the Government workforce is also in line with the "Samoa Pathway for

Development 2021/22 – 2025/26," Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mata'afa announced at a recent Press Conference.

"It is crucial that Government is well informed of the current status of our work force, in line with the Samoa Pathway for Development 2021/22 – 2025/26," says the

Prime Minister.

Details supporting the Government packed PSC review were also revealed in Parliament recently by then Acting PM and Deputy Prime Minister Tuala Tevaga Ponifasio.

And there were several layers which prompted Cabinet to give the green light to

PSC to review the Governments' workforce.

The first, to establish a new National Workforce Plan for the next 10 years targeting the Government's people development and skilled workforce.

Tuala also told the House that statistics also show a 21.2% increase in new jobs created in the public service since 2019.

And it's creating an additional expenditure of \$58 million tala a year to fund the 900 new jobs but shockingly it "was not a planned increase."

There's also the question of duplication of duties and responsibilities but most importantly, credentials and academic qualifications of the workforce.

"Like any responsible Government we are accountable to the people, and we want to ensure that our public services are effective, productive and efficient and it's all for the interest and benefit of the public," he reassured.

Since the PSC initiative came to light with a freeze to recruit replacements for vacant positions from the senior ranks to Principal Officers level, fear amongst the ranks surfaced, many concerned that their job security was on the line.

But whispers following a recent CEOs only meeting with PSC leaked to public servants indicate that government employees need not fret as there are no talks or plans of a redundancy or layoffs since the reviews' priority is to restructure the current force to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the workforce to serve the people.

From the Mulifanua WSTEC Plantation to the 4th Floor

By: **Nanai Taofiga Laveitiga Tuiletufuga**

Seuula Ioane is not ashamed to tell his life story, his walks of life which started from the WSTEC farmlands to rise to the fourth floor of the government building where he now sits as Minister of Education, Sports and Culture.

"I am not ashamed to say that I am from a poor family.

"My family did not have the luxuries that our children are enjoying today.

"I did not grow up with a silver spoon in my mouth," said the 66-year old, sole survivor of a family of two brothers.

In fact, the Education Minister has no regrets but thankful to have been exposed to the life of struggle to make ends meet because it played a pivotal role in building his character to be who he is today.

"I am also a firm believer, that it was God's will to test my resolve.

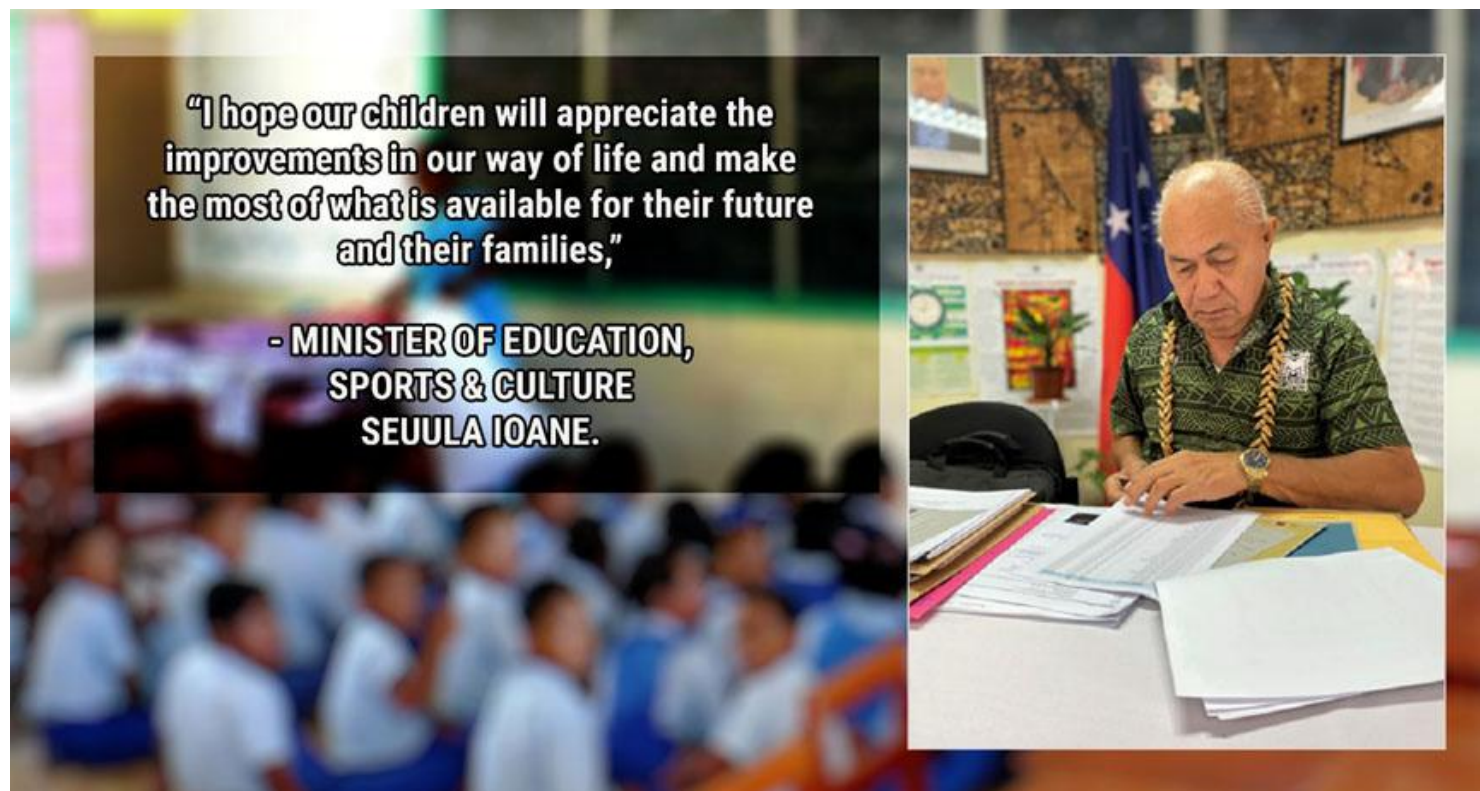
"And without his guidance and endurance, I would not be where I am today."

"Life was hard," reminisced Seuula whose biological parents are from Satuimalufilufi and Satapuala but adopted at a young age.

From WSTEC the family returned home to Tufutafoe Savai'i, where the young Seuula became infatuated with teaching.

From the Tufutafoe Primary School to the Itu-Asau Intermediate to Leulumoega-Fou College and eventually landing at the Teacher Training College in Malifa, Seuula boyhood dream to teach was on the verge of reality.

And after a one year internship as part of the Teachers Training College curriculum, he



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- MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SPORTS & CULTURE SEUULA IOANE.

started his journey as a teacher returning to his home village of Tufutafoe to begin his career.

And as they say, the rest is history.

"In the beginning, I was fascinated seeing teachers at work and wondered what it would be like," said the 66-year old education stalwart.

"And the more I studied, the more I learned, the more I became obsessed to be a teacher, an educator both in school and at home."

Even at 63-years old, while serving his 20th anniversary as School Principal for Tufutafoe

Primary School, his passion to study and learn did not change.

Last year, he graduated with a Bachelor from the National University of Samoa at Papaigalagala.

And says his returning to the classroom as a student is his message to motivate young and aspiring teachers that "they are never too old to learn and that piece of paper will go a long way in their young careers," added Seuula.

Compared to his hey days, he says educational opportunities available today

were rare and sometimes did not exist.

"I hope our children will appreciate the improvements in our way of life and make the most of what is available for their future and their families," he added.

In a nutshell, looking back at his life of trials and tribulations, he feels that as the Education Minister he is now more than a teacher, but a leader with thousands of children and parents counting on him to provide the best education that Government provides for the future of Samoa.

\$1 million tala Development Project on the roll

By: Jasmine Netzler-Iose

According to the Ministry of Women, Community and Social Development (M.W.C.S.D.) 30 Electoral Districts eligible for the \$1 million tala Development Grant stand to receive \$150,000.

This is on top of \$425,000 which 17 of the 30 Districts are entitled to receive subject to meeting the requirements articulated in the Grants Standard Operating Procedure.

From the 17 Districts, 8 have so far received their second payment of \$425,000. The remaining 9 are still in process.

This week Tuesday, despite information confusion, five of the 30 Electoral District Offices signed off to collect the \$150,000 payout that will cover wages and operational costs, (etc. electricity, water.)

And the five are also included in the 30 District Development Offices which are entitled to the second payment of \$425,000 provided they submit documented evidence to meet the Grant requirements. (Audited Reports, Budget, Annual Report for this financial year, Project Plan. etc)

The five include;

- Gagaifomauga 3
- Siumu
- Lefaga and Faleaseela
- Anoamaa 1
- Vaimauga 3

And the beneficiaries despite information confusion and Coconut Wires remain excited with the latest development.

Seve Avaula, Secretary of the Gagaifomauga 3 District Development Committee their project will focus on commercializing livestock



and farming which promises financial returns.

With this project now available to these communities everyone can work together with the Government for a better Samoa starting from the development of these individual districts.

To ensure that the funds are dispersed efficiently and timely, M.W.C.S.D. Chief Executive Dr. Mema Motusaga is reminding the beneficiaries to follow the procedures and submit documents needed.

For instance;

- audited accounts
- annual report of the project status
- 5-year plan development plan
- budget for current financial year, etc

To clear the air, Minister of Women's, Leota Laki Sio clarified that \$200,000 paid out to all the 51 Electoral Constituency last year is not part of the \$1 million grant available for this fiscal year.



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demands of the seasonal employment program and we need to deal with it as a region.

And the PFL views, will also assist Samoa's approach in dealing with a closer to home issue, since it's the livelihood of hundreds of families on the line.

Prime Minister Fiame is also mindful that the RSE is a savior for many families and has benefited hundreds of families but with the same token, the security and welfare of the country in terms of retaining the needed skilled force for the country's' economic stability is paramount to Government.

As announced recently, Cabinet has taken into account recommendations and findings submitted by a Cabinet appointed Committee tasked with reviewing the hick-ups in the local RSE

recruitment processes.

Among the issues which surface was the recruitment of locals with permanent jobs such as teachers and police officers which contradicted the RSE number one priority to hire only people without jobs, the unemployed.

To that effect and per Cabinet Directive, the Village Councils with the support from the respective 53 District Development Offices will be in charge of reviewing RSE job applications and forwarding their recommendation to the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Labor to prepare a Cabinet Submission.

Cabinet is now hands on and will grant the final approval.

The new arrangement goes into effect in March.



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obligations between the Samoan RSE workers and their bosses.

"Rest assured, the safety of our workers is utmost and we will provide any new developments," she added.

In last night Press Conference, the Prime Minister also announced Cabinet decisions reached this week which included Overseas Medical Referral and approved travel for Government leaders.

The following is the full text of the Prime Minister's announced printed verbatim;

Good afternoon Samoa,
Cabinet at its meeting this week considered

and subsequently approved a number of submissions for medical treatment in New Zealand, under the Samoa Medical Transfer Scheme (S.M.T.S.). Annual Reports, Government Responses to important matters raised by the Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee, as well as reports on official travels were considered and endorsed. Further, official travels were approved this week including Samoas Delegation to the Pacific Island Forum Leaders Retreat to be held in Fiji next week. I will lead Samoas Delegation. Matters central to the development and well being and security of the region will be discussed.

Following the impacts of Tropical Cyclone (TC) Gabrielle across New Zealand earlier this week, the Government of Samoa through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and the Ministry of Commerce Industry & Labour (MCIL) continues to monitor the situation, with emphasis on the safety and wellbeing of Recognised Seasonal Employer (RSE) workers from Samoa.

The region heavily impacted by TC Gabrielle with a significant number of seasonal workers from Samoa is Hawkes Bay, where a local state of emergency has been declared together with other regions such as Northland, Auckland,

Tairāwhiti, Bay of Plenty, Waikato and Taranaki District.

Reports from Samoa's designated Liaison Officer in New Zealand in liaison with the New Zealand Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE), confirmed that support and coordinated efforts from various agencies, local Iwi/Marae and especially the Pacific Community has been overwhelming in ensuring RSE workers from Samoa, and from the Pacific were safely evacuated, and moved to nearby relief centres. The RSE workers are confirmed to have now access warm beds/accommodation, and food and water supplies.

So far there are no confirmed reports of death of any of our Samoan seasonal workers. Considerable efforts and discussions have begun on how to best support affected workers in the context of the wider New Zealand recovery.

We urge our country especially the families of the Samoan seasonal workers in New Zealand to remain calm, as the government is working closely with the government of New Zealand to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our RSE workers.

Cabinet, also approved this week the progress of our national preparations to host the 26th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Apia next year -2024.

As was announced earlier, this is the first time the CHOGM will be hosted in the Pacific and by a Small Island State. The CHOGM comprises 56 member countries from across Africa, Asia, Caribbean and the Pacific. This is the first meeting under the leadership of the new Head of the Commonwealth family – His Majesty the King of England – Charles III.

A senior delegation from the Commonwealth Secretariat visited Samoa in November last year, to look at potential venues for the meeting, the airport and to commence discussion with the relevant government Ministries on the preparations, and on the formulation of a theme for the meeting. The outcomes of the visit were positive, signalling a good start to our preparations.

A Preparations Committee has been set up to lead and coordinate all preparations for CHOGM 2024. This Committee will ensure our preparations for the security of the leaders and their delegations while in Samoa, venues, accommodations, airports, ensuring protocols are observed, transport and infrastructure, programme and managing official ceremonies, health, finance and emergency response coordination. These are imperative facets of our national preparations toward a successful hosting. A special Unit will be established in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade to support the work of the Committee.

Our culture and experience are a strong epitome of our unity and hospitality that our country is known for. We will need everyone's support to ensure a successful hosting of the 26th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Apia next year.

God bless. Soifua ma ia manuia.

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Tourism Authority to overcome 2019 success



By: **Marc Membrere**

The Samoa Tourism Authority, (STA) strategy for the next five years is designed to assist Samoa's G.D.P., Foreign Reserves but most importantly to facilitate the Sector's Recovery from the COVID19 pandemic miseries.

At the launching of the Plan, Samoa's Tourism Minister Toeolesulusulu Cedric Schuster announced that one of their primary targets will be to beat the success of 2019 a peak year for tourism in the country.

"I am confident that we are on track in building back better," is the optimistic encouragement by the Minister.

In 2019, the Samoa Bureau of Statistics (S.B.S.) recorded a total of over 180,000 visitors to Samoa with the highest numbers from New Zealand at 78,000 and the majority visiting on holiday at 68, 103.

And following behind New Zealand was Australia at 40,170, American Samoa at 14,000 and USA bringing in a total of 13,000 visitors.

A total of 67,506 visitors to Samoa that year travelled over to visit family and friends and 13,289 were in the country on business according to S.B.S. figures.

That record number of visitors that year was much more compared to travellers into our shores in 2018 at 172,496, and 2017 at 157,515.

And figures from the Samoa Tourism Sector Plan 2022-2027 launched last week on Friday shows an injection of \$514.1million into the Samoan economy thanks to figures from the

2019 peak year.

With big plans ahead, the Minister noted that Rome was not built in a day, and recovery will take time.

However, from that successful year and in response to recovery strategy the Samoa Tourism Authority is now committed to a more resilient and sustainable green growth for the period of 2022 – 2027 to ensure effective, inclusive and safe return to quality operation for employees and tourism operators.

Toeolesulusulu said the sector is confident of a more resilient, inclusive and green Samoa as a tourism destination that will be coupled with the firm commitment and support of the Tourism sector members and community.

The Minister thanked the stakeholders for their continuous support in the development of Samoa's tourism and said he looked forward to working in collaboration with them over the next five years.

The newly launched sector plan outlines the Authority's plans for rebranding of Beautiful Samoa to focus on what is globally known and recognized for including culture, heritage, people, the pristine environment and safe and vibrant destination for all forms of events.

The other five include a re-focus on the Authority's marketing approach, enhancing destination competition, building strong investment and business niches, investing in capacity building and building resilience to climate and disasters.

Below are the 6 focal points of the Plan;

- Rebranding of Beautiful Samoa to focus on what we are globally known and recognized for, such as our culture and heritage, our people, our pristine environment, as well as a safe and vibrant destination for all forms of events
- On refocusing our marketing approach to utilize our people and ambassadors, targeting niche markets

tailored to our strengths, and utilizing all forms of multimedia platforms

- Enhancing destination competitiveness by improving transport, infrastructure and accessibility
- Creating a strong investment and business enabling environment
- Investing in training and development needs
- Building resilience to climate and disasters, economic recessions, health risks and social issues



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Agriculture Ministry renews partnership to boost taro industry

By: Marc Membrere

The Samoa Agriculture and Fisheries Ministry's continuous partnership with Pacific Horticultural and Agricultural Market Access Plus Program (PHAMA Plus) will soon boost farmer's access to planting materials.

That will be made possible by establishing taro nurseries as outlined under a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between MAF and PHAMA Plus on Tuesday where they will join forces to improve the availability and use of high-quality taro planting material known as tiapula.

The renewed partnership seeks to establish four taro nurseries

at MAF-Nuu Crops Station, MAF Salelologa Station, Tunaula Green Farmers (taro growers' group in Upolu) and Faleupolu o Tofiga (taro growers' group in Savaii).

The PHAMA Plus started working together with MAF in 2011 to provide practical and targeted assistance to help Samoa manage regulatory aspects associated with exporting primary and value-added products.

This means help maintain and improve existing market access, and create new markets by developing the capacity of the public and private sectors to meet export market requirements.

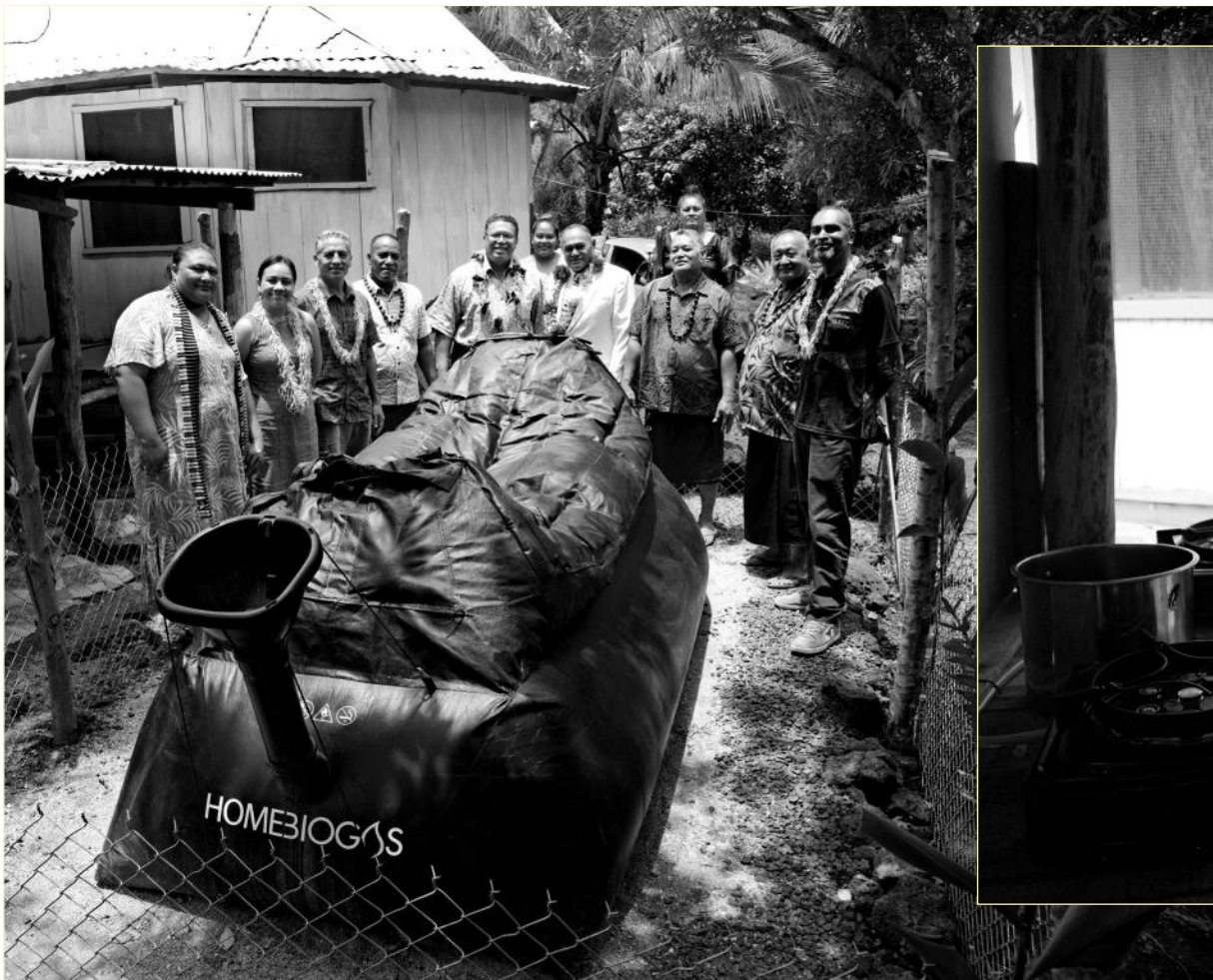
Speaking during the signing of the MOU, Agriculture Minister Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi mentioned that the Samoan

Government has approved the establishment of the Samoa Export Authority, and will soon establish a packaging house in Salelologa to further provide support to farmers.

"This support from PHAMA Plus will significantly contribute towards our efforts, especially on the production side," Laauli said.

With the renewed partnership, PHAMA Plus Country Manager Samoa Asuao Kirifi Pouono told that they will seek to promote gender, disability and social inclusion in the development of taro nurseries through utilizing its future business model to create an income earning opportunity.

Bio-Gas assistance reaches Tanumapua



5 families at Tanumapua have received Biogas systems from UNDP and SGP.

By: Marc Membrere

Rev. Faaofonuu Efaraima of the Tanumapua Baptist Church, is afforded the luxury to prepare his family meals and all their cooking needs utilizing a cleaner energy source after he was picked as the lucky recipient of a brand-new Bio-Gas System compliments from the United Nations Development Programme

(UNDP) and the Small Grants Programme (SGP) encouraging the use of Biogas for domestic usage.

Rev. Faaofonuu is not alone because there 5 other families from Tanumapua were also handpicked to receive the same system as part of an initiative to promote Cleaner Energy.

Complementing the initiative, Rev. Faaofonuu says that it's cost effective since the bio-gas will

be manufactured and processed at home using organic wastes. This will eliminate buying regular LBG gas from the shops.

At a cost of over \$4,500 per unit including installation, the Tanumapua Project Coordinator Edwin Tamasese says the donated units is a joint investment by the UNPD and SGP to promote the positive impacts of bio-gas especially as an environment conservation

investment.

"8 communities, (7 in Upolu and 1 in Savaii) are benefitting from the grant and so far, a total of 40 units are being installed at the moment at no cost to the families," he says.

The grant funding for all eight projects totals up to \$1.6 million

Kidney Foundation's new dialysis machines

By: Marc Membrane

The capacity of the National Kidney Foundation (NKF) to treat patients has now been upgraded with 30 new dialysis machines purchased by the Government of Samoa.

Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mataafa revealed in an announcement Friday afternoon that Cabinet had approved the purchasing of 30 new dialysis machines to improve their support for the increasing number of patients.

"It is indeed alarming to note that there are now young people also treated at the Foundation," said the Prime Minister.

She further added that although Government will provide these machines for treatment, it will also continue to pursue, promote and encourage preventive measures through

healthy living and healthy lifestyles.

The 30 new dialysis machines will complement the existing 30 machines at the Motootua location providing treatment for 200 patients.

And for Savai'i, 24 patients are treated with 9 dialysis machines housed in a special unit next to the Tuasivi Hospital.

Established in 2005, the Samoa National Kidney Foundation had six initial patients with only 11 dialysis machines.

Over the years, the number of patients needing treatment has escalated by three digits. And to cater for the shocking demand, Government since 2020 invested in building new headquarters with more resources for treatment at a cost of \$1.7 million tala at Moto'otua.



Japan generosity continues at Apolima Tai & Salua Manono

By: Jasmine Netzler – Iose

Apolima Tai and Salua Manono resident's beaming smiling faces is a show of gratitude and appreciate to the Government of Japan.

Through the Government of Japan's Grass-Roots Human Security Projects (GGP), Salua Primary School is receiving a facelift funded by Tokyo at a cost of close to \$1 million tala.

The funding includes \$462,000 to finance the construction of a Safe House on the island not including \$515,000 for the reconstruction of 6 new classrooms, 1 staff room, 1 library and principal's room and a new toilet block for Salua Primary School.

And President of the Salua Primary School Committee, Taupau Afioa'e has nothing but praises for the valuable assistance.

At the signing of the grant funding, Taupau acknowledged Japan's generosity and the unconditional support from School Inspector Leva'a Samoa James Utuva for his persistent correspondence with the embassy to ensure funding was secured.

With an enrollment of more 150 students, the old Salua school building was built either in the early 1960s and received moderate renovations close to 50 years later but the infrastructure's conditions continued to deteriorate.

Leva'a in his fa'afetai remarks that a safe and friendly environment is one of the key ingredients needed to improve the quality of education and this is the goal of any educator.

Village Representative of the Apolima Tai Leala Afe Solo, told Savali Newspaper that the safe house will be an evacuation centre for the villagers when a natural disaster strikes.

He said the village had a safe house previously built by the Government but was made of timber but the new one will be constructed from cement and will ensure the safety of all on Apolima Tai when a cyclone occurs.


The village of Apolima currently has more than 100 families living in the community there and to get to the island you travel by speed boats.



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American Corner, a gateway for Savaii to the U.S.

By: Jasmine Netzler-Iose

Savaii residents today have the opportunity to learn and appreciate mutual and friendly cooperation between Samoa and one of the most powerful nations in the United States of American, with the opening of the American Corner in Salelologa earlier this month.

Complementing the first American Corner housed at the Nelson Memorial Library in Apia, the Salelologa location will serve as a strong platform on which the US Government can continue to build upon their strong friendship and is also a demonstration of the embassy's continued engagement between the people of these two countries.

The new American Corner offers free Wi-Fi, a diverse selection of English books, and advising for anyone interested in education in the United States. A 12-month grant to run educational programs by the Ministry of Education to benefit the community is also included.

For those who have never visited the American space in Apia, the American Corners are places where visitors can connect and learn about the United States of America as well as have access to educational resources and information about opportunities both in Samoa and in the United States said the ambassador.

But there is more than it meets the eye, promises U.S. Ambassador to Samoa and New Zealand Thomas Stewart Udall in his dedication address.

"The space provides hands on S.T.E.M. activities when we say S.T.E.M. you know this is Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and these are disciplines of the future," stressed Udall noting that connecting to Wi-Fi is a gateway to connection to the rest of the World. And the American Corner is providing that gateway for Savaii residents.

The initiative, complimented the Minister of Education, Sports and Culture Seuula Ioane is a significant milestone in the country's journey towards promoting education and literacy students, educators, and people in general.

"It provides opportunities for the people of Savaii and Samoa to access a digital collection about the United States, access update library and literacy resources and much more," continued the Minister, a teacher of over 30 years.

"This kind of system will have a lasting impact on the people of Samoa providing them with access to an extensive collection of educational material."

"In these challenging times access to quality education and resources are more important than ever" and it will bridge the gap between the Samoan people and the wider world.

The corner will also foster a sense of global citizenship and promoting cross cultural understanding "so let us take a moment to thank the ambassador for his unwavering commitment to education and literacy," praised the Education Minister.

"I am confident that this American corner will make a positive impact to our community for many years to come."





Peace Corp Maliko on a family mission

By: Leaosā Faaifo Faaifo

He is quick to adopt his home away from home. And U.S. Peace Corp volunteer, has no problem with his new Samoan identity, Maliko.

Maliko is not only on a discovery journey as an educator but to fulfill a personal family legacy.

His mother, was a Peace Corp and Maliko is following her footsteps.

He says that he feels blessed not only to be selected as a volunteer but more importantly to be assigned to work in Samoa just like his mom.

“Learning the language I want to be able to talk fluently with you guys in your own tongue,” says an excited Maliko.

He is impatient and cannot wait to go out in the field to experience the local scene and learn more about the Samoan culture and language which infatuated his mother to fall in love with Samoan and her people.

Maliko is one of 7 volunteers from the United States assigned to work with the Ministry of Education, Sports and Culture to strengthen and improve the literacy which including writing and reading skills in Primary Schools.

TRADITIONAL WELCOME

Marking their return to local soils since the unavoidable pull-out from the region in the wake of the COVID19 pandemic three years ago, the American volunteers receiving the traditional ava welcoming ceremony.

“We are your family,” greeted Education, Sports and Culture Minister Seuula Ioane leading the MESC welcoming committee.

U.S ambassador to New Zealand and Samoa Tom Udall was on hand to witness the historical occasion.

This year marks 56 years since Samoa and the U.S. Peace Corps partnership was established.

And over the years, 2,000 Peace Corps volunteers have served in the country in different sectors including education.

“Peace Corp’s biggest factor for success is our partnership with local communities, especially the local primary schools and communities who have graciously embraced hosting and working with the Volunteers,” says Peace Corps’ Country Director Gini Wilderson in a Press Statement.

The seven Peace Corps trainees will now begin an 11-week community-based training in literacy, culture, intercultural diversity, equity, and inclusion, and the Samoan language.

A swear-in to officially acknowledge them as Samoan Peace Corp Volunteers will complete their initiation before going to the community.



O lo'o malutia tamafanau i galuega fa'avaitaimi i NZ

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

I le āfatia ai o Niu Sila i le afā o Gabrielle, ua popole ai 'āiga o fanau o lo'o malaga atu i Aotearoa i galuega fa'avaitaimi.

Peita'i o le feiloā'iga a Tusitala ma le afioga i le Palemia i le asō, na saunoa manino ai Fiamē Naomi Mataafa, o se tala fiafia, e leai se soifua po'o se tasi o ia tamafanau ua āfatia pe ua ma'imau fo'i se soifua ona o lea afā.

O le folasaga a le Palemia, o lo'o manino ai, e lē māmā iā Samoa le va'aia lelei o i latou nei, ina ia mautinoa o lo'o malutia ma saogālēmū a'o aumau ai i lea atunu'u i sāliliga manuia.

Saunoa le Ta'ita'i o le Mālō;

"O suiga ogaoga o le tau ua lē utuvā, ma o se lu'itau pito faigatā leni ua feagai ma le lalolagi atoa i nei ona po. O leni vaiaso, ua o tatou molimauina ai le a'afia o Niu Sila i le afā malosi o Gabrielle, ona o matagi mālolosi ma galu afā, fa'apea lologa. Ua fa'amaui ai le tele o vaega o Niu Sila ua a'afia.

"Ua fa'atino nei i le tulaga aloāia fa'alemālō i le Va-i-Fafo le tāpā o fa'amatalaga mai le Mālō o Niu Sila e taua i le tatou Matāgaluega o le Va-i-Fafo. Aemaise lava i le tulaga o i ai a tatou tamafanau o lo'o faigaluega i galuega fa'avaitaimi.

"O lo'o feagai nei le tatou Matāgaluega o le Va-i-fafo ma Fefa'ataua'iga ma le Matāgaluega o Pisinisi, Ālamanuia ma Leipa ma nei feso'ota'iga mo le fa'amautūina o le tulaga o lo'o i ai a tatou tamafanau ma lo latou saogālēmū.

"E tele a'afiaga o le vaega o Niu Sila o lo'o i ai fa'ato'aga o lo'o galulue ai a tatou tamafanau i Hawkes Bay. O isi vaega o Niu Sila na a'afia e aofia ai Northland, Aukilani, Tairawhiti, Bay of Plenty, Waikato ma Tararua.

"O lo'o galulue fa'atasi le Sui So'o'upu a



O se va'aiga i Aotearoa ina ua lofia i afā malosi o Gabrielle

Samoa mo Galuega Fa'avaitaimi i Niu Sila, ma Sui o le Matāgaluega o Pisinisi ma tulaga tau galuega a Niu Sila, e feso'ota'i uma o tatou tagata faigaluega fa'avaitaimi, atoa ai ma fe'utanā'iga mo lo latou saogālēmū. O lo'o galulue fa'atasi fo'i ma Sui o le Pasefika e

fa'atino leni galuega.

"E le'o i ai se lipoti i se tamafanau a Samoa o galue fa'avaitaimi i Niu Sila ua fa'amaonia le a'afia pe ua malui fo'i i leni fa'alavelave, ma o lo'o mata'itūina pea i le taimi nei lea tulaga.

"O le mea lea, ia to'a pea le atunu'u, aemaise

lava i mātua ma 'āiga o tamafanau a Samoa o lo'o galulue fa'avaitaimi i Niu Sila.

"O lo'o fa'agasolo nei galuega ma feso'otā'iga ma le Mālō o Niu Sila i vala uma mo le fa'amautinoaina o le saogālēmū o ā tatou tagata faigaluega."

Tapena Samoa mo Fonotaga a Ta'ita'i o le Pasefika i Fiti

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

Ua fa'alauiloa aloāia e le afioga i le Palemia, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa, o ia o le a ta'ita'ia le usugāfono a Samoa, i fonotaga a Ta'ita'i o le Pasefika o le a usuia i Fiti i le vaiaso fou.

"E aofia i nei malaga le usugāfono a Samoa i le tauaofiaga a Ta'ita'i o le Pasefika o le a usuia i Fiti i le vaiaso fou.

"O a'u nei, o le a ta'ita'ia le usugāfono a Samoa, ma o le a talanoaina ai matā'upu tupito mo le atina'e, ma le saogālēmū o atumotu o le Pasefika."

Fa'a'ailoa e le Ta'ita'i o le Mālō, o lea fo'i fonotaga o le a toe fa'amalosia ai le galulue vāvālalata ma le fealofaniga o atumotu uma o le Pasefika, ina ia tutūfa'atasi auā so tatou lumana'i manuia.

E 'ese mai lea fonotaga, na fa'a'ailoa fo'i e Fiamē, nisi o matā'upu sa soālaupule i le laulauāfono a le Kapeneta i leni vaiaso, e aofia ai;

"O le fa'aauuina o galuega ma fa'ai'uga a le Kapeneta i leni vaiaso, sa lilifa i tulaga masani. I tulaga tau soifua maloloina, sa fa'amaonia nisi o gasegase o le a auina i Niu Sila mo togafitiga fa'afoma'i i lalo o le polokalame o le Samoa Medical Transfer Scheme.

"Sa lauliliuina lipoti mai itutino 'ese'ese a le Mālō, e aofia ai lipoti fa'aletausaga, o tali a le Mālō i matā'upu sa lāgā mai e Komiti o Tupe a le Palemene, ma lipoti o fonotaga sa auai ai Sui o Matagaluega 'ese'ese i atunu'u i fafo, e fa'apea fo'i i le fa'amaonia o fonotaga fa'alemālō, o le a auai atu i ai Sui o le Mālō i le vaiaso fou."



SAUNOAGA FA'APITOA A LE AFIOGA I LE PALEMIA, FIAME NAOMI MATAAFA I'ugāfono a le Kapeneta mo le silafia e Samoa aoao Aso Tofi, 16 Fepuari 2023

Ou te faapa'i atu ma le agaga faaaloalo i le paia maua o si o tatou atunuu i ona tulaga faalupe. Faamalo le soifua manuia, faafetai le folau i lenei vaiaso o le a mae'a. Ia saga viia le Atua, ona o lona alofa tunoa i si o tatou atunuu.

O le fa'auauina o galuega ma fa'ai'uga a le Kapeneta i lenei vaiaso, sa lilifa i tulaga masani. I tulaga tau soifua maloloina, sa fa'amaonia nisi o gasegase o le a auina i Niu Sila mo togafitiga fa'afoma'i i lalo o le polokalame o le Samoa Medical Transfer Scheme. Sa lauliliuina lipoti mai itutino 'ese'ese a le Malo, e aofia ai lipoti fa'aletausaga, o tali a le Malo i mataupu lāgā mai Komiti o Tupe a le Palemene, ma lipoti o fonotaga sa auai ai Sui o Matagaluega 'ese'ese i atunu'u i fafo, e fa'apea fo'i i le fa'amaonia o fonotaga fa'alemalo, o le a auai atu i ai Sui o le Malo i le vaiaso fou.

E aofia i nei malaga le usugafono a Samoa i le tauaofiaga a Ta'ita'i o le Pasefika o le a usuia i Fiti i le vaiaso fou. O a'u nei, o le a ta'ita'ia le usugafono a Samoa, ma o le a talanoaina ai mataupu tupito mo le atina'e, ma le saogalemū o atumotu o le Pasefika.

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O lo'o feagai nei le tatou Matagaluega o le Va-i-fafo ma Fefa'ataua'iga ma le Matagaluega o Pisinisi, Alamanuia ma Leipa ma nei feso'ota'iga mo le fa'amautūina o le tulaga o lo'o i ai a tatou tamafanau ma lo latou saogalemū.

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O lo'o galulue fa'atasi le Sui So'o'upu a Samoa mo Galuega Fa'avaitaimi i Niu Sila, ma Sui o le Matagaluega o Pisinisi ma tulaga tau Galuega a Niu Sila, e feso'ota'i uma o tatou tagata faigaluega fa'avaitaimi, atoa ai ma fe'utagā'iga mo lo latou saogalemū. O lo'o galulue fa'atasi fo'i ma Sui o le Pasefika e fa'atino lenei galuega.

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Ua fa'amaonia fo'i e le Kapeneta i lenei vaiaso, le fa'agasologa o tapenaga mo le talimalo ai o Samoa, i le fonotaga a Taitai o Malo o le Taupulega, lea o le a usuia i Samoa nei i le tau fa'ai'uga o le tausaga fou 2024. O le lona 26 ai lea o fonotaga talu mai le ulua'i fonotaga i le 1971.

E pei ona mua'i faailoa atu i le atunuu, o le ulua'i taimi lenei ua tusi aao ai Taitai o Malo o le Taupulega e usuia i Samoa nei lenei fonotaga. Ma o le taimi muamua foi lea, o le a usuia ai lenei tauaofiaga i le Pasefika, ma talimalo ai se atumotu laitiiti. E 56 atunuu o loo i le li'o o Malo o le Taupulega, ma o le fonotaga muamua lenei a lana Maiesetete - le a'afiaga i le Tupu o Peretania - Salesa le III, ma o ia o le Fa'atumutumuga o le li'o o Malo o le Taupulega.

Ua mae'a le asiasiga muamua na malaga mai ai Sui o le Ofisa o Malo o le Taupulega a Peretania (Commonwelath Secretariat) ia Novema o le tausaga na te'a nei. Sa asia ai le tatou malae vaalele, fale o lo'o fa'amoemoe e fa'atino ai le fonotaga, fa'apea fe'utagā'iga na faia i le fausia o se 'au'au po'o le sini o le fonotaga. Sa mātua i le fa'amalieina o le asiasiga i tulaga o lo'o i ai la tatou malae va'alele fa'avaomalo, ma tatou fale ua fuafua mo le



fonotaga.

Ua fa'amaonia le fa'agasoloina o galuega a le Komiti o Tapenaga mo le fonotaga. O lenei Komiti e gafa ma le fa'amautūina o vaega tau i le puipuga ma le saogalemū o Taitai o Malo ma a latou usufono o le a auai mai. E fa'apea fo'i i le fa'amautūina o nofoaga, apitaga, femalaga'iga, tapenaga o le anofale o le fonotaga ma tulaga tauāloa, feso'ota'iga ma le tu'uina o fa'amatalaga, auaunaga fa'alesoifua maloloina, vaega o tupe, atoa ai ma le tali atu i fa'alavelave fa'afuase'i.

O vala tāua uma nei o le tatou tapenaga, ma o le a i ai se Vaega fa'apitoa e fa'atūina i totonu o le Matagaluega o le Va-i-Fafo ma Fefa'ataua'iga e feagai ma le tuliutliloaina o nei galuega uma.

O le Komiti ua faatuina nei, e aofia atoa ai

itutino o le Malo, ma e faapea foi ona moomia ai le fesoasoani a le vaega tumaoti ma pisinisi, o afio'aga ma alalafaga e pei foi ona o tatou talimalo ai i fonotaga tetele sa usuia i Samoa nei, e pei o le fonotaga a Malo lāiti o le lalolagi i le 2014.

Samoa e, matou te talitonu, e maopoopo ma mapo a tatou tapenaga uma mo lenei fa'amoemoe, ina ua o tatou galulue faatasi ma feoeoea'i.

Ae tatou fa'alagolago ma fa'atuatua i le Atua, e 'au ma i tatou, tatou te mafaia ai mea uma, e ala i le ta'ita'iga a lona Agaga Paia.

Tatou tatalo pea ma le fa'atuatua, e le tu'ulafoaina tatou e le Atua.

Ia manuia lau tapuaiga Samoa. Ia malutia pea si o tatou atunu'u e aao fa'aola o Iesu Keriso.

Tofia nisi o tamāli'i i tofiga mauāluluga a le Mālō

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

E tāua tele iā Samoa, le lava tapena o se na te tau'aveina tofiga fa'avāomālō a Samoa i totonu o isi atunu'u o le lalolagi.

I le mae'a fili tupe toa ai o le tōfā ma le uta i le laulauāfono a le Kapeneta, na folasia manino ai e le a'afiaga i le Palemia, Fiame Naomi Mataafa, le tofia ai o nisi o tamāli'i iloga o le atunu'u latou te tau'aveina nisi o galuega tetele i atunu'u i fafo.

Saunoa le Ta'ita'i o le Mālō e fa'apea;
“E i ai tofiga fou ua mae'a ona fa'amaonia e le Kapeneta mo tatou Ofisa i Niu Sila. O le Komesina Mauāluga a Samoa i Niu Sila i lo tatou Ofisa i Ueligitone, ua tofia ai le a'afiaga iā Afamasaga Fa'amatala Toleafoa.

“E manatu e le toe tau fa'a'ailoaina lea tamāli'i o le atunu'u, ua loa fo'i tausaga o lana auaunaga iā Samoa aemaise o lona silafia i le fa'atinoga o galuega fa'aKonesula i lo tatou feagai ai ma Mālō mai Fafo.

“O le a'afiaga iā Afamasaga, sa fai ma Konesula Aoa o Aukilani i le 1984, ona avea ai lea ma Amapasa o Samoa i Peleseuma mai i le 1989 i le 1997.

“Ua fa'amaonia fo'i le tofia o le a'afiaga iā Afemata Palusalua Fa'apō II e avea ma Konesula Aoa o Aukilani.



Tamāli'i o Samoa ua filifilia i nisi o tofiga mauāluluga a le Mālō i atunu'u i fafo

“O le a'afiaga iā Afemata sa galue e le gata o se Minisitā o le Kapeneta, o se Faipule, ae sa avea fo'i ma Ta'ita'i o le Vaega Fa'a'upufai o le Tautua Samoa i tausaga ua mavae.

“O se tamāli'i fa'aaloaloga e le gata i le Mālō

ma ona 'upufai ae o nu'u ma afio'aga.

Ua tofia fo'i le susuga iā Va'atutui Apete Meredith e avea ma Konesula Aoa o Fefa'ataua'iga i Aukilani. Ua lava le tomai ma le agava'a o lenei tamāli'i e fa'atino ai lenei

tofiga auā sa galue ai muamua.

“O se tofiga tāua tele lenei tofiga, a'o tatou galulue e unā'ia malosi avanoa o fefa'ataua'iga ma Niu Sila, iā tatou oloa auina atu i fafo.”

Ia atoatoa auunaga tau fa'amamā toto



Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o le Soifua Mālōlōina iā Valasi Lupitofanua To'ogamaga Tafito Selesele o le Minisitā fo'i o le Fa'alapotopotoga Fa'alefa'avae Tau Fatuga'o i Samoa.

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

E ui i le ai o masini mo le auunaga tau fa'amamā Toto i le atunu'u, peita'i e lē noatia ai le mo'omia pea o nisi masini fa'apitoa e tali ai mana'oga o nisi o tagatanu'u Samoa, ua mo'omia le fa'amamā o latou toto.

O le fu'a tauālugā lea o le naunau pea o le Mālō, ina ia atoatoa ma lava tapena lea auunaga tau soifua mālōlōina mo nai o tatou tagata.

I le saunoaga a le afiga i le Palemia i le feiloā'iga ma Tusitala, ua manino ai, le 'ave pea o le fa'amamafa a le Mālō i le fesoasoani i nai

o tatou tagata ua mafatia.

O le pine fa'amau o lea galuega ua mafai ai ona toe fa'atau mai nisi o masini fa'amamā toto fou e 30 auā lava le fa'aleleia atili o lea auunaga mo nai o tatou tagata.

Saunoa Fiamē;

"E le'o tu'uitiitia le aofa'i o i latou e mo'omia lenei auunaga ma ua o'o lava i tamaiti lāiti ua o latou fa'aogaina.

"O le naunauta'iga o le Mālō, ia tapu'e pea atina'e nei aemaise o le tausiga lelei o le soifua mālōlōina o tatou tagata, e tusa o fautuaga mai le Matāgaluega o le Soifua Mālōlōina."

Tapenaga mo le taligāmālō a Samoa i le 2024

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

Ua folasia e le Palemia, le aotelega o le tulaga ua i ai tapenaga a Samoa mo le Fono Tele o le a o tatou talimālō ai i le tausaga fou.

Saunoa Fiamē Naomi Mataafa e fa'apea;

"Ua fa'amaonia e le Kapeneta le fa'agasologa o tapenaga mo le talimālō ai o Samoa, i le fono tele a Ta'ita'i o Mālō o le Taupulega, lea o le a usua i Samoa nei i le fa'ai'uga o le tausaga fou 2024.

"O le 26 ai lea o Fonotaga talu mai le ulua'i Fono i le 1971.

"O le ulua'i taimi lenei ua tusi 'ā'ao ai Ta'ita'i o Mālō o le Taupulega e usua i Samoa nei lenei fono tele. Ma o le taimi muamua fo'i lea, o le a usua ai lenei tauaofiaga i le Pasefika, ma talimālō ai se atumotu laitiiti.

"E 56 atunu'u o lo'o i le li'o o Mālō o le Taupulega, ma o le fono muamua lenei a lana Maiesetete - le afiga i le Tupu o Peretania – Salesa le III, ma o ia o le Fa'atutumugā o le li'o o Mālō o le Taupulega.

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fa'amalieina o le asiasiga i tulaga o lo'o i ai la tatou malae va'alele fa'avāomālō ma tatou fale ua fuafua mo le fonotaga.

"Ua fa'amaonia le fa'agasolo o galuega a le Komiti o Tapenaga mo le fonotaga. O lenei Komiti e gafa ma le fa'amaotūina o vaega tau i le puipuiga ma le saogālēmū o Ta'ita'i o Mālō ma a latou usufono o le a auai mai.

"E fa'apea fo'i i le fa'amaotūina o nofoaga, apitaga, femalagā'iga, tapenaga o le anofale o le fono ma tulaga tauāloa, feso'ota'iga ma le tu'uina o fa'amatalaga, auunaga fa'alesoifua mālōlōina, vaega o tupe, atoa ai ma le tali atu i fa'alavelave fa'afuase'i.

"O vala tāua uma nei o le tatou tapenaga, ma o le a i ai se Vaega fa'apitoa e fa'atūina i totonu o le Matāgaluega o le Va-i-Fafo ma Fefa'atauā'iga e feagai ma le tuliutliloaina o nei galuega uma.

"O le Komiti ua fa'atūina e aofia atoa ai itutino o le Mālō, e fa'apea foi ona mo'omia ai le fesoasoani a le vaega tumā'oti ma pisinisi, o afio'aga ma alalafaga e pei fo'i ona o tatou talimālō ai i fonotaga tetele sa usua i Samoa nei, e pei o le fono a Mālō lāiti o le lalolagi i le 2014.

"Samoa e, matou te talitonu, e maopoopo ma mapo a tatou tapenaga uma mo lenei fa'amoemoe, ina ua o tatou galulue fa'atasi ma fe'oe'oea'i.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

RENEWAL OF ALCOHOL LICENCE FOR THE YEAR 2023:

The Alcohol Control Board wishes to remind the public and all alcohol license holders as follows;

- The last day for Renewal of Liquor Licenses for the year 2023, will be 28th Febuary 2023 at the following locations:
 - Customs Office at Matautu-tai.
 - Ministry for Revenue Office at Salelologa, Savaii.
- Failure to renew by the due date will result in additional penalty fee and / or revocation of license.
- Any person who is found selling and proven to be manufacturing and/or distributing alcohol without relevant alcohol license(s), commits an offence and will be dealt with accordingly under the Alcohol Control Act 2020.

For further information or for assistance renewing your liquor licence please contact Fonoti Talaitupu Li'a-Taefu, Acting Chief Executive Officer or Lupe Tariu-Mata'ia, Secretary to the Alcohol Control Board on telephone 21561 (ext. 105/156) or on email tlia@revenue.gov.ws lmataia@revenue.gov.ws

Ma le fa'aaloalo lava,

Faafetai,
CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE ALCOHOL CONTROL BOARD

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FAASILASILAGA TAU

FA'AFUINA O LAISENE AVA MALOSI 2023

E tusa ai ma le Fonotaga a le Pulega Fa'atonu o Ava Malosi i le Aso 31 Ianuari 2023, e fa'asilasila atu i pisinisi uma o loo umiaina laisene o ava malosi e fa'apea;

- O le a fa'amutaina le fa'afuina o laisene o le ava malosi mo le tausaga 2023 i le aso 28 o Fepuari 2023, i nofoaga nei,
 - Ofisa o Tiute – Matāutu Tai
 - Ofisa o Lafoga – Salelologa, Savai'i
- O lou lē usitaia o lenei fa'asilasilaga i le aso e fa'agata ai, o le a fa'ae'e ai loa se sala tupe e fa'aopoopo i luga o le totogi o lau laisene ma / po o le fa'alēaogaina fo'i o lau laisene.
- O so'o se tasi e mauaina ma fa'amaonia o lo'o fa'atauina atu pe gaosiaina ma tufatufaina atu ava malosi e aunoa ma se laisene talafeagai, o le a molia e tusa ai ma aiaiga ole Tulafono e Fuafua Tatau ai le Ava Malosi 2020.

Mo nisi fa'amatalaga, po o le fia maua o se fesoasoani mo le toe fa'afuina o lau laisene ava malosi fa'amolemole fa'afeso'ota'i le Afioga Fonoti Talaitupu Li'a - Taefu, Sui Ofisa Sili o le Matāgaluega po o Lupe Tariu – Mata'ia, Failautusi o le Pulega Fa'atonu i le telefoni 21561 (laina 105 /156) po o le imeli tlia@revenue.gov.ws lmataia@revenue.gov.ws

Faafetai,
TAITAFONO MA LE PULEGA FAATONU O AVA MALOSI



56 tausaga o le tautua a Pisikoa Amerika mo Samoa

Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi

Ua taunu'u mai Samoa pisikoa Amerika e to'afitu (7) e galulue mo le a'oa'o'ina o le gagana peretania i fanau a le atunu'u.

O le 1967 i le masina o Oketopa sa amata o'o mai ai le auauunaga ofo fua mo Samoa, ma ua fa'amauina e 2,000 pisikoa Amerika ua tautua mo 'aoga i Samoa nei.

E 11 vaiaso o le a galulue ai ia pisikoa ma le fa'amoemoe o le a i ai le isi la'asaga o le soifua tautua o i latou nei e to'afitu mo Samoa i le lumanai.

O le amataga o lenei vaiaso sa feiloa'i atu ai le Matagaluega o 'Aoga, Ta'aloga ma Aganu'u i 'ai latou nei e ala i le 'ava o le feiloa'iga ma momoli ai se 'upu fa'amalosia'au a'o tapena ai mo le amatalia o le latou tautua ia Samoa.

O le fa'atoa toe malaga mai ai lea o ni pisikoa Amerika e galulue mo Samoa talu mai ona a'afia Samoa i le Koviti - 19.

Fa'ailoa le agaga fa'afetai o le a fioga i le

Minisitā ia Seu'ula Ioane Tuā'au i le agalelei fa'aaauu pea o Amerika mo si o tatou atunu'u, aemaise o lenei auauunaga tāua mo le tapu'eina o le ola manuia o fanau a le atunu'u.

"Ia manuia tele lo outou feagai ai ma galuega, e pei ona ua outou malaga mai ai i Samoa."

I le pepa o fa'amatalaga mai le Ofisa o le Amapasa o le Mālō o Amerika i Samoa nei, o lo'o tā'ua ai, o le Aso 1 Mati 1961, sa fa'avaeina ai e le Peresetene o Amerika i lenā vaiata ia John F. Kennedy, le polokalame o pisikoa.

O le 'auga ma le fa'amoemoe o le Polokalame o Pisikoa po'o Peace Corps, o le fa'alauiloaina lea o le filēmū i totonu o atunu'u o le lalolagi.

E le gata i lea, a ia saga fa'atunau le mau'ua o le faigāpa'aga fa'avāomālō ma fa'amalosia so'otaga i le va o atunu'u uma o le lalolagi.

Fa'ailoa e lea Pepa o Fa'amatalaga, talu mai le tausaga na fa'avaeina ai lea polokalame, e o'o mai i le taimi nei, ua 240,000 le aofa'i o pisikoa o lo'o galulue i atunu'u e 142 o le lalolagi.



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Komisi o Galuega a le Malō



VACANCY ADVERTISEMENT Contract Positions

The Public Service Commission on behalf of the Government of Samoa invites applications from qualified applicants for the following positions. The positions are on contract for a 3-year term.

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The Application Form and Job Description can be uplifted from the Public Service Commission, Level 2, Fiame Mataafa Faumuina Mulinu II (FMFM II) Building, Apia or can be downloaded from website: <http://www.psc.gov.ws>. Application Forms (R&S Form 2) are to be used by ALL Applicants and are to be addressed to the Chairman. Applications must be submitted to PSC by, **Thursday 23rd February 2023 before 5.00pm.**

Late Applications after 5:00pm will not be considered. All incomplete Applications will not be considered for Shortlisting. Request for reconsideration will not be Accepted.

For more information, please contact the Senior Executive Services Division of our Office on telephone 22123 or email ses@psc.gov.ws



Agalelei Amerika i le Potu Tusi mo su'esu'ega auā Savai'i

Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi

O le fa'atāua pea o le ola a'oa'oina lelei o fanau a le atunu'u, ua tatala ai fo'i le auauunaga a le Mālō o Amerika i le motu tele o Salāfai.

O le auauunaga, ua tatala aloāia ai le Potu Tusi (American Corner) mo le ulua'i taimi i totonu o le Faletusi o lo'o i Salelologa i Savai'i.

O le lua ai lea o American Corner ua i Samoa nei, e pei ona i ai le isi Faletusi i Nelisoni (Nelson Library) i Apia.

I le saunoaga fa'apitoa a le afioga i le Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o 'Āoga, Ta'alogā ma Aganu'u iā Seu'ula Ioane Tuā'au e tusa o lea polōketi āoga e fa'apea;

"O le auauunaga e patino lava i tulaga tau i a'oa'oga, o lo'o i ai fata tusi, o masini komipiuta, ma isi vaega mo'omia mo su'esu'ega a fanau fa'apea tagata lautele.

"Atonu o se fesoasoani tele lea mo i latou o lo'o alala ma pāpā'ā'ao i le motu tele nei i Salafai, e su'esu'e ai ma faitau i tala'aga o le Malo o Amerika.

"E le gata i lea, ae o le a maua ai fo'i avanoa e fa'aāoga ai masini auā su'esu'ega i mea'āoga a fanau o lo'o mo'omia ai le initaneti.

"O ata va'aia ia o le maua'a o le galulue fa'atasi ma le faipa'aga lelei o Mālō e lua, i auala e mafai ai e tatou fanau ona

maua avanoa tutusa e su'esu'e ai i itu tau i a'oa'oga.

"O leni fa'amoemoe e le gata o le a manuia ai tamaiti 'āoga ma fa'āoga, ae o le a āoga fo'i mo Fa'alapotopotoga i totonu o le motu nei.

"I leni fo'i vaitau i le tele o fa'ama'i ma fa'afitauli, o le vaega tāua lea o le maua o nei punaoa fa'alea'oa'oga auā tatou fanau mo latou mea'āoga.

"O ai lava o le a autova'a mai e fa'aāoga leni potu, ia tautuanā ia fa'aāoga ma le tatau, fa'aāoga lelei tusi ma masini e fai ai sa'ili'iliga mo le malamalama atili e tusa o matā'upu o lo'o su'esu'eina.

E fa'apea fo'i se finagalo mai le Amapasa o le Mālō o Amerika i Samoa nei iā Thomas Stuart Udall, i le tatala aloāia o faitoto'a o lea potu.

"So'o se atunu'u lava o le lalolagi, e 'ave lava le fa'atāua i le ola a'oa'oina lelei o fanau.

"O le naunauta'iga o Amerika, ia atoatoa vaega uma e fa'atino ai su'esu'ega a fanau (resources) fa'apea tagata lautele i so'o se taimi."

O lo'o fa'aāogaina le initaneti i lea potu, ma le talitonuga ia mafai ona maua uma e tamaiti 'āoga i Savai'i ma tagata uma auauunaga 'ese'ese e fa'atini ai i'uga lelei ma le mana'omia e tusa o su'esu'ega o le a feagai ai.



Maimoaina o fata tusi a le Amercan Corner i le Faletusi i Salelologa.

Ia tosina gofie turisi e āsia Samoa

Tusia: Taunuuga Toatasi

E le'o autamala le Mālō i le va'aia pea o auala 'ese'ese e tosina mai ai turisi e āsia si o tatou atunu'u i tausaga ta'itasi.

O le afuaga lea o le tu'ufa'atasia ai o le "Fuafuaga Mamao mo Atina'e tau Turisi" a le Pulega o Tagata Tafafao Maimoa mai Samoa (S.T.A.).

O le tōfā taulagalaga lea i le Mālō auā le tautua faifaiepea ma le tapu'eina o atina'e mo tagata tafafao maimoa mai, ina ia mautinoa le o gatusa ma faiga fa'avae ma ana fuafuaga ua fa'ata'oto mo le lumana'i manuia o auauunaga ofoina atu mo turisi asiasi mai Samoa.

I le saunoaga a le afioga i le Minisitā o le Pulega o Tagata Tafafao Maimoa mai Samoa iā Toeolesulusulu Cedric Schuster i le fa'alauiloina o lea Fuafuaga, na ia fa'amaino ai e fa'apea;

"O le fuafuaga alualu mamao o le Tusi Ta'iala 2022–2027 mo le Vaega Mā'oti o Tagata Tafafao Mai Fafo, e tapuvae tasi uma i le si'itia i le 250,000 tagata asiasi mai i Samoa i tausaga ta'itasi.

"O le fa'atogaina o leni fa'amoemoe, e velo 'aso uma i ai vaega 'ese'ese mo le fa'aleleia ma le fa'alauiloina o mata'aga ma vavau o lo'o fausia ai le aganu'u ma le agaifanua a Samoa.

"O le fa'asoina ma le fa'amatagofieina o lo tatou si'osi'omaga lanu lau'ava e aofia ai ma le toe timataina o le 'upegā fagota e ala i auauunaga a faletalimālō ma fale apitaga, aemaise o le toe matimatiina o ālafua ina ia fa'ateleina pea va'alele ma va'a meli e afea Samoa i le lumana'i.

"E le gata i lea, a ia tuliloaina pea le fa'alauteleina o tomāi o le afaigaluega o lo'o tu i matagi'olo e feagai ma mālō asiasi mai.

"O le tu'uālalo ma le fa'amanatu mo Samoa aoao pe a tō fa'ata'uta'u le matagi. Se fa'atutū mai foe, ina ia faia'ina le savili.

A'o tala fo'i i le malae o le taua. Se! e le'o malie lava le tao, o le tātā i le uatogi.

"O le mea moni, e lē 'asa le tigā ma lona aogā. A lē tafe tino i vai, faigatā o la tatou galuega fai, auā le atina'eina o lo tatou atunu'u. Talofae, e a'e fua."

O le afioga i le Minisitā o le Matāgaluega o Fa'ato'aga ma Faigāfaiva iā La'auli Leuatea Polāta'ivao Fosi sa 'o'otiina le lipine mo le fa'alauiloina o lea fa'amoemoe tele.

O Turisi o se tasi lea o lima taumatau o so'o se atunu'u auā seleni maua mo le tamāō'āiga o se Mālō, ma o le fu'a tauuluga lava lea e tasi o lo'o taula'i i ai le silasila a Samoa ma isi atunu'u uma o le Pasefika.

O lea fa'amoemoe sa fa'atautaia i le Fale Samoa a le S.T.A. ma na auai i ai Sui o le Mālō, Sui o Mālō mai fafo, tainane le paia o le auvalaulia.



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30 Itumālō ua fa'amatu'u i ai 15% o le \$1 miliona

Iā Mulipola Anarosa 'Ale – Molio'o, na ia momoli le fa'afetai fa'apitoe a le Mālō mo le lagolago malosi a nei Itumālō i le taumafai atu aemaise o se itu lelei i le aga'i atu i le lumana'i ma le feoeoea'i o Samoa aoao auā lo atunu'u ola manuia ma soifua saogālēmū.

Na momoli fo'i le fa'amanatu ma 'upu tima'i a le afioga i le Minisitā, i le fa'aāoga tatauina ai o nei seleni ua fa'amatu'uina atu e le Mālō auā atina'e fa'atino a Itumālō ta'itasi.

“Tatou te va'ava'ai i se faiga fou, ae e i ai fo'i lu'itau, auā o so'o se atina'e fou lava, e i ai lava fo'i ma lu'itau.

“A'o le tāua o lu'itau, tatou te a'oa'o mai ai ma tatou savavali ai mo le aga'i i luma.

“E leai nisi e fa'amoemoe i ai le tatou Faigāmālō, e fa'amoemoe atu i tamā ma tinā o le Itumālō, e fa'amoemoe i Komiti Filifilia, e fa'amoemoe atu fo'i i le Pulega a Ali'i ma Faipule aemaise o le loaloa o tatou Itumālō, o lo'o i ai tomai, agava'a

ma taleni, ae o se avanoa fo'i e fa'aāoga ai taleni ma agava'a a tatou tamafanau o lo'o alala ma pāpā'ā'ao i totonu o Itumālō.

“O mo'omo'oga ina ia tatou galulue fa'atasi e fa'atino le pitolā'au a le Mālō, fa'atino le pitolā'au a Faipule ma lana Komiti Filifilia aemaise fo'i tatou Itumālō i ona tulaga fa'alupe ina ia atoa le tino o Va'atausili.

“Ia tatou folau ma le fa'atuatua e manuia ai o tatou faiva.”



E lē 'ave'esea ni tagata faigaluega a le Mālō

Tusia: Tusiga Taofiga

I le tele o tusitusiga ma matematega a nisi o le atunu'u, e uiga i le mafua'aga tonu ua fa'agasolo ai se iloiloaga fa'apitoe a le Komisi o Galuega a le Mālō i auunaga ma tofiga o le auaigaluega a le Mālō, ua fa'asa'o ma fa'amanino ai e le afioga i le Palemia, Fiamē Naomi Mataafa, e leai se fuafuaga a le Mālō ina ia fa'amālōlō tumau pe fa'ate'a po'o le vāea fo'i o nisi o le auaigaluega a le Mālō o lo'o galulue nei.

O lea su'esu'ega fa'apitoe a patino tonu lava i Matāgaluega a le Mālō ae lē aofia ai Fa'alapotopotoga ma Pisinisi Tumā'oti a le Mālō auā o lo'o i ai fo'i a latou Komiti Fa'atonu e fitoitonu i ai lea auunaga.

Saunoa le Palemia i le feiloā'iga ma Tusitala;

“O lo'o fa'aauu le tapenaga a le Komisi o Galuega a le Mālō, i nisi o fuafuaga mamao a le Mālō e pei ona silafia, ua taofia ai mo se taimi lē tumau, le fa'asalalauina o avanoa faigaluega mo se vaega o le auaigaluega a le Mālō, o lo'o i le va'ava'aiga a le Komisi.

“Ou te manatu e fa'apupula atili le vala lea, ina ia nofo silafia. E le'o i ai se fuafuaga a le Mālō, e 'ave'esea ni tagata faigaluega o i ai nei.

“O avanoa fo'i o taofia, o avanoa fou ma avanoa e le'i fa'atumuina, o lona uiga o lo'o fa'aauu pea i latou o faigaluega i le taimi nei, e fa'atino le auunaga mo Samoa, e tusa ma lo latou valā'auina.

“O le galuega a le Komisi o lo'o iloilo ai po'o talafeagai le auaigaluega ma le fa'atā'otoga o galuega a le Mālō o i ai nei, ma le tauālugaga o galuega mo'omia mo le atina'e o Samoa, e pei ona fa'atā'oto atu i le Ta'iala o le Lumana'i Manuia o Samoa 2021/22 – 2025/26.

“Ua tele tausaga na tatou galulue mai ai i Ta'iala mo le Atina'e o Samoa, ma e manatu sa gafataulima ai le fa'atinoga o galuega i lea vaitaimi.

“Peita'i, o lea ua se'e lo tatou sa i le tofoga o moemoe fou, ua manatu ai fo'i e ao ina toe iloilo ma fa'atā'oto lelei le auaigaluega a le Mālō, ina ia mautinoa, e gafataulimaina le fa'ataunu'uina o le Ta'iala o le Lumana'i Manuia o Samoa, o lo'o ua i ai nei.”



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