



TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS, PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES, AND OBSERVERS

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Change of Meeting Venue for WCPFC16 in Port Moresby, PNG

Dear All,

I wish to draw your attention to the enclosed letter from Papua New Guinea, host of the WCPFC16 meeting informing all participants of the change in meeting venue for the WCPFC16 meeting in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. The meeting will now be held at the Sir John Guise Indoor Stadium instead of the International Conference Center.

Any queries concerning the new meeting venue, the Sir Guise Indoor Stadium please direct them to Mr Noan Pakop, Deputy Managing Director of the National Fisheries Authority of Papua New Guinea at npakop@fisheries.gov.pg.

Yours Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Teo,

**SUBJECT: CHANGE OF VENUE FOR 16TH REGULAR ANNUAL SESSION
OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC FISHERIES
COMMISSION**

Greetings from Papua New Guinea.

I regret to inform that the International Convention Center in Waigani is no longer available for use following electrical fault that caused fire to the building's standby generator and the main power board on Monday 18th November 2019.

Due to this situation Papua New Guinea through the National Fisheries Authority have identified the Sir John Guise Indoor Stadium as the new venue for the 16th Regular Annual Session of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission. This venue can sufficiently seat 500 persons in the plenary meeting room. Two additional rooms are available for break-out sessions within the vicinity of the sports stadium. A room has also been secured for the WCPFC secretariat and Executive Director.

For delegations requiring delegation meeting rooms, there are limited rooms available at the Sir John Guise Indoor Stadium and thus allocation will be done in consultation with the WCPFC Secretariat's consideration.

Finally, we wish to reassure the WCPFC Secretariat, Commission Members, Participating Territories and the Cooperating Non Members (CNMs) attending the 16th Regular Annual Session of the WCPFC that the Government of Papua

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New Guinea will ensure that all arrangements are in place prior to the commencement of this important fisheries management conference.

For further information or clarifications please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Noan Pakop, Deputy Managing Director – Technical and Operations on telephone +675 309 0444, mobile +675 75937587 or email npakop@fisheries.gov.pg.

We thank you for your understanding and do look forward to welcoming and hosting the WCPFC delegates in Port Moresby.

Yours sincerely,



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