



**FORTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS**  
(Alofi, Niue, 31 October – 2 November 2015)

**AGENDA ITEM 11 – CRGA 46: VENUE, CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

(Paper presented by the Secretariat)

**Venue and Dates**

1. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that CRGA should meet once a year at SPC headquarters in Noumea, except in the years when the Conference is convened, when CRGA meets immediately before the Conference at a venue chosen by the members of the Pacific Community.
2. In accordance with these rules, the venue for CRGA 46 in 2016 will be Noumea.

**Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson**

3. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that Representatives of Governments and Administrations shall provide a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson for each meeting, to be chosen in alphabetical order of member countries and territories.
4. The rules further state, 'In the event that the Chairperson is unable to attend the meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall assume the Chair. The Vice-Chairperson shall become the Chairperson of the succeeding meeting'.
5. Since 1997, CRGA Meeting Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons have been provided by the following members:

<b>Year</b>	<b>CRGA</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Vice-Chairperson</b>
1998	28	Papua New Guinea	Pitcairn Islands
1999	29	Pitcairn Islands	Polynésie française
2000	30	Polynésie française	Samoa
2001	31	Samoa	Solomon Islands
2002	32	Solomon Islands	Tokelau
2003	33	Tokelau	Tonga
2004	34	Tonga	Tuvalu
2005	35	Tuvalu	Vanuatu
2006	36	Vanuatu	Wallis and Futuna
2007	37	Wallis and Futuna	American Samoa
2008	38	American Samoa	Australia
2009	39	Australia	Cook Islands
2010	40	Cook Islands	Federated States of Micronesia
2011	41	Federated States of Micronesia	Fiji
2012	42	France	Kiribati
2013	43	Kiribati	Marshall Islands
2014	44	Marshall Islands	Nauru
2015	45	Nauru	New Caledonia
2016	46	New Caledonia	New Zealand

- 6 Following the long-standing procedure for appointing the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, the Chairperson for the 46<sup>th</sup> meeting of CRGA will be provided by New Caledonia and the Vice-Chairperson by New Zealand.

**Recommendations**

7. CRGA is invited to note that:
- i. the venue for the meeting of CRGA 46 in 2016 will be Noumea, New Caledonia, and that members will be advised of the meeting dates in due course; and
  - ii. the Chairperson for CRGA 46 will be provided by New Caledonia and the Vice-Chairperson by New Zealand.
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