

Project Updates to NAB should report on;



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- ☐ Significant outcomes
- ☐ Significant Challenge
- ☐ Significant Learning
- ☐ Working with project Partners/Stakeholders (How did the project work and involve other project partners/stakeholders? (could be directly or indirectly)
- ☐ Sharing Resources (What are some of the new resources developed during the project? Sharing the resources on NAB portal).



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Seeking a **UN GA Resolution** for an **Advisory Opinion** from the **International Court of Justice** on **Climate Change**

NAB Meeting

23 February 2022

❑ Project Team Commenced on 15 February 2022

❑ Special Climate Envoy- Ambassador Odo Tevi (New York)

❑ Senior Advisor to the Envoy – Ambassador Van Lierop (New York)

❑ Climate Diplomacy Attache – Malcolm Dalesa (New York – 4 April)

❑ Climate Diplomacy Attache – TBC (Brussels)

❑ Program Manager – Christopher Bartlett (Vila)

❑ Environmental Lawyer – Stephanie Mahuk (Vila)

❑ Climate Policy Specialist – Serah Nelson (Vila – 28 Feb)

❑ Taskforce Assistant – Nichola Iaruel (Vila)

❑ Diplomacy Intern – Ozzy Loughman (Vila)

Significant Outcomes

❑ 2 x Initial Briefings with Blue Ocean Law and NY Mission, diplomacy strategy in draft.

❑ PM to record ICJ statement to be delivered at CARICOM on 28th February

❑ 1st Tranche project finance has arrived at Reserve Bank

❑ Office Space secured at new MOFAICET Building

Significant Challenge



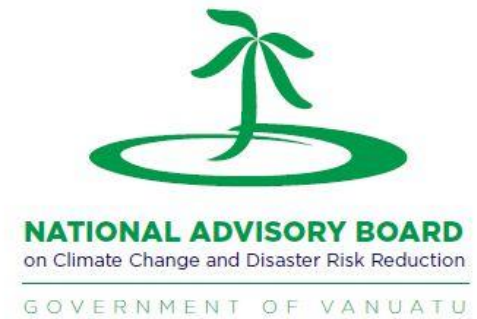
- ☐ Overseas Missions Seconded staff are being asked to resign from their Positions by PSC. Not good for job security for this capacity exercise.
 - ☐ Seek NAB support for a requested PSC exemption as contracts are only through 31 December
- ☐ Major delay to project start, may not be realistic to expect a UNGA vote on this issue in 2022.
 - ☐ Inform NAB that project may be extended to 2023, pending financing from donor

Significant Learning



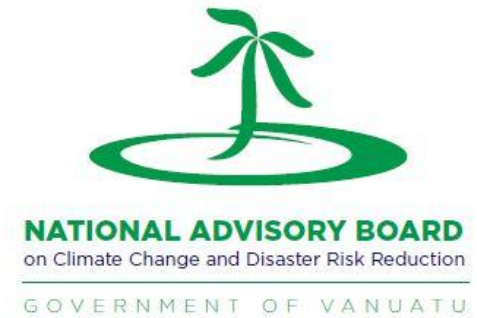
- ❑ First Briefing to Prime Minister by Ambassador Tevi and Blue Ocean Law with after PM's return from Malekula 1st Week March
- ❑ Joint Oreintatiation planned 1st Week March for PMO, MoCC, and MoFAICET, including cooperation modalities moving forward
- ❑ SLO will receive comprehensive climate and environmental law training, ongoing
- ❑ Monthly briefins with all Vanuatu Ambassadors, High Commissioners, Honorary Consuls and Trade Commissioners to commence in March 2022
- ❑ DoCC and NAB Secretariat will have capacity building support on climate diplomacy and international climate legal updates

Working with project Partners/Stakeholders



- ☐ PMO, MoCC, MoJCS and MoFAICET leading jointly
- ☐ Proposed MoU and working arrangements with civil society: CANI, PICAN, VCAN and others
- ☐ Proposed International Media / PR Firm to kick off public relations campaign
- ☐ Strong cooperation with PSIDS partners, SIDS nations and ACP countries to reach 97 country majority in UN General Assembly

Sharing Resources



- ☐ Project funding MoCC and NAB Secretariat consultant including office equipment and supplies
- ☐ Project will fund implementation of NAB UNFCCC taskforce workplan, including travel to COP27 and Bonn Intersessional for multiple delegates
- ☐ Project will fund implementation of new NAB Policy and Compliance working group's workplan
- ☐ Operational costs for NY and Brussels Missions

Thank you!



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QUESTIONS / COMMENT