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PREMIER POSTPONES TRAVEL THIS WEEK

ALOFI, NIUE, OCTOBER 08, 2010: The Hon. Premier Mr. Toke Talagi has had to cancel his travel arrangements for this week after receiving notification that the Hon. Minister Mr. Sipeli is unable to return to Niue on this week's flight. Hon. Sipeli has been in New Zealand for the past two weeks undergoing treatment for a back injury but has advised the Fale Fono that he is well. Hon. Premier has cancelled all his meeting appointments scheduled for next week including his talks in Wellington to discuss Niue's Trust Fund Account and the presentation of Niue's donation towards Canterbury Earthquake Appeal in Christchurch. The Hon. Premier will now present Niue's donation to the Hon. Minister Powers who will be attending the Forum Economic Minister's Meeting which will be hosted by Niue in two weeks' time. The Department of Community Affairs will continue to accept donations towards this appeal until further advised.

In addition, movement of Cabinet Minister is as follows; Hon. Togia Sioneholo will depart this week until October 15, in his absence Hon. Gustava Esther Pavihi will be responsible for the Minister's portfolio. Hon. O'Love Jacobsen is away until Nov 05, in her absence the Hon. Maihetoe Hekau is responsible for the Minister's portfolio. Hon Billy Talagi will continue to be responsible for the Hon. Minister Sipeli's portfolio. The Hon. Premier will be departing next week for Shanghai. His acting will be advised in due course.

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