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### MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & FISHERIES HOSTS NATIONAL FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

**Alofi, Niue – 14 February 2024** - The Ministry of Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries hosted the National Fisheries Development Stakeholder Consultation on Monday 12 February 2024, in collaboration with esteemed partners including the Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA), the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), and other key stakeholders.

This consultation serves as a platform to showcase and raise awareness of Niue's active engagement in national, regional, and international fisheries development initiatives. Its primary focus was on both the production and development, management, and protection of marine resources, this consultation aims to consolidate efforts and foster collaboration among various stakeholders.



The Minister for Natural Resources, Hon. Mona AINU extended a warm welcome to the delegates, she emphasized the importance of collective action in achieving sustainable fisheries management. Dr. Manu Tupou-Roosen, Director General of FFA, expressed her gratitude for the hospitality extended by the Department upon their arrival, highlighting the fruitful partnership between Niue and FFA.

The consultation included a series of engagements, with Key Stakeholders, involving government departments, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and other agencies. The consultations will end today with a High-Level Fisheries National Consultation Summit taking place at Scenic Matavai Resort.

This summit represents an invaluable opportunity for stakeholders to exchange ideas, share best practices, and chart a course for the sustainable development and management of Niue's fisheries resources. By fostering dialogue and collaboration, Niue is poised to make significant strides in advancing its fisheries sector, both domestically and on the regional stage.

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries extends its appreciation to all participants and partners for their dedication to advancing fisheries development in Niue and the wider Pacific region.

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