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The Secretary to the Prime Minister
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Dear Esteemed Colleagues,

Subject: NDS Review Consultations –Desktop Review Phase.

One of the key policy of the Democratic Coalition Government for Advancement (DCGA) is the implementation of the 20 year Solomon Islands National Development Strategy (NDS) 2016- 2035.


The implementation of the strategy by all stakeholders is now over seven years since its launch in 2016. The Cabinet of Solomon Islands has mandated a review of the NDS, taking into account the implications of recent significant development stressors such as the Covid 19 global pandemic, the impacts of the war in Ukraine, the social unrests of late 2021 and recent earthquakes in 2022. The objective of the mandated NDS review is assess the extent to which the NDS has met its objectives, understand the gaps, challenges and lessons learnt during implementation and provide practical recommendations for improved implementation of the NDS in the future. We share as an annex to this memo the terms of reference for the NDS review.

MNPDC has been directed to lead the review, in close collaboration with all SIG government ministries and agencies. Whilst an official launch of the review process will take place in the coming days, preliminary work to contribute to the desktop/literature review phase will commence on Monday 8th May 2023. This desktop and information/data mining process would also include consultations with all line ministries to mine data and information. The schedule for the consultations is attached in annex 2 to this memo. Would appreciate the presence and support of your relevant officials in these consultations. The timeline and activity lineup for the NDS review process is also annexed for your further information.

We look forward to your usual collaboration for this important exercise.

Should you have any further queries, do not hesitate to contact the NDS Review task Team
Leader Deputy Secretary Roy Mae, on phone 38255 or email

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Susan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ms Susan Sulu

Permanent Secretary

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NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (NDS 2016-2035) NATIONAL REVIEW

HONIARA CONSULTATION SCHEDULE – DESKTOP/PRELIMINARY REVIEW STAGE

GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES & AGENCIES NDS REVIEW CONSULTATION					
Ministry	Sector	Day	Date	Time	Venue
Agriculture and Livestock	Economic/Productive	Monday	8 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	MAL Office
Public Service	Public Service/Provincial Government	Monday	8 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MPS Office
Mines, Energy & Rural Electrification	Economic/Productive	Monday	8 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	MMERE Office
Forestry & Research	Economic/Productive	Monday	8 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MFR Office
National Parliament	Public Service/Provincial Government	Monday	8 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	NPO Office
Rural Development	Rural Development & Other Social	Monday	8 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MRD Office
LUNCH HOUR					
Education and Human Resource Development	Education	Monday	8 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MEHRD Office
Lands, Housing & Survey	Rural Development & Other Social	Monday	8 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	MLHS Office
Justice & Legal Affairs	Public Order & Safety	Monday	8 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MJLA Office
Finance and Treasury	Public Service/Provincial Government	Monday	8 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	MoFT Office
Traditional Governance, Peace & Ecclesiastical Affairs	Public Order & Safety	Monday	8 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MTGPEA Office

Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management	Environment & Disaster Risk	Monday	8 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	MECDM Office
Prime Minister's Office & Cabinet	Public Service/Provincial Government	Tuesday	9 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	OPMC Office
Commerce, Industry, Labour & Immigration	Economic/Productive	Tuesday	9 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MCILI Office
Women, Youth, Children & Family Affairs	Rural Development & Other Social	Tuesday	9 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	MWYCFA Office
Provincial Government & Institutional Strengthening	Public Service/Provincial Government	Tuesday	9 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MPGIS Office
Foreign Affairs & External Trade	Public Service/Provincial Government	Tuesday	9 May 2023	9:00am -10:30am	MFAET Office
Police, National Security & Correctional Services	Public Order & Safety	Tuesday	9 May 2023	10:30am -12:00pm	MPNSCS Office
LUNCH HOUR					
Health and Medical Services	Health	Tuesday	9 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MHMS Office
Infrastructure Development	Infrastructure	Tuesday	9 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	MID Office
Culture and Tourism	Economic/Productive	Tuesday	9 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MCT Office
Office of the Auditor General	Public Service/Provincial Government	Tuesday	9 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	OAG Office
Communication and Aviation	Economic/Productive	Tuesday	9 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MCA Office
Fisheries and Marine Resources	Economic/Productive	Tuesday	9 May 2023	2:30pm -4:00pm	MFMR Office

Office of the Governor General	Public Service/Provincial Government	Wednesday	10 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	OGG Office
National Judiciary	Public Order & Safety	Wednesday	10 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	NJ Office
Home Affairs	Public Order & Safety	Wednesday	10 May 2023	1:30pm -2:30pm	MHA Office

National Development Strategy 2016-35 Review

Summary Work Plan

Activity	Date
Inception meeting between Ministry of National Planning & Development Coordination (MNPDC) Officials and Technical Advisors.	April 2023
Training for MNPDC staff in preparation for Consultations	April 2023
Desktop Research & Pre-Consultations	May 2023
Launch event of the Progressive Review of the National Development Strategy 2016-35	May 2023
Approval and endorsement of NDS Review Synthesis Paper by Advisory Committee	May 2023
National Consultations	May/June 2023
Provincial Consultations	May/June 2023
Draft NDS Review Report	July 2023
Validation Workshop	July 2023
NDS Review Report endorsed by Advisory Committee	July 2023
NDS Review Report endorsed by Cabinet	August 2023
NDS Review Report Launching	August 2023