Fiji Update and Pacific 2020

Venue: Lali Room, Holiday Inn, Suva
Tuesday 29 August 2006   9.00am–4.00pm

9.00-9.05 Welcome
Professor Anthony Tarr
Vice-Chancellor, University of the South Pacific

9.05–9.35 Pacific 2020 themes: challenges and opportunities for growth
Mr Stephen Howes
AusAID

9.35–9.45 Economic management
Associate Professor Satish Chand
The Australian National University

9.45–10.00 Discussion

PANEL—Managing growth
10.00–10.10 Fiji’s recent monetary policies and growth
Mr Rup Singh
University of the South Pacific

10.10–10.20 The political economy of growth
Professor Robbie Robertson
University of the South Pacific

10.20–10.30 Discussion

10.30–11.00 Morning Tea

11.00–11.10 Recent investment trends in Fiji
Associate Professor Biman Chand Prasad
University of the South Pacific

11.10–11.20 Resolving land issues in Fiji
Professor Ron Duncan
University of the South Pacific

11.20–11.30 Discussion
PANEL—Managing growth (cont’d)

11.30–11.40  Agriculture
Mr Andrew MacGregor
Director, Trade and Development Office

11.40–11.50  Sugar
Dr Padma Lal
Pacific Islands Forum

11.50–12.00  Fisheries
Mr Peter Forau
Deputy Secretary General, Forum Secretariat

12.00–12.20  Discussion

12.20–1.30  Lunch

PANEL—Political governance

1.30–1.40  Recent political developments in Fiji
Dr Jon Fraenkel
University of the South Pacific

1.40–1.50  Localising party politics
Ms Alumita Durutalo
University of the South Pacific

1.50–2.00  Good Governance Index for Fiji
Dr Azmat Gani
University of the South Pacific

2.00–2.20  Discussion

PANEL—Transparency and corruption

2.20–2.30  Knowledge management for corruption control
Professor Peter Larmour
The Australian National University

2.30–2.40  Accountability and the Fiji Constitution
Ambassador (rt.) Peter Donigi
University of the South Pacific

2.40–2.50  Transparency International [tbc]

2.50–3.20  Discussion

3.20  Afternoon tea

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