Vanuatu Update 2002
Friday 19 July

Venue: [to be confirmed]

9.00-9.10 Welcome
Professor John Lynch
Pro Vice Chancellor, University of the South Pacific

HE Steve Waters [tbc]
Australian High Commissioner to Vanuatu

MORNING SESSION

CHAIR Hon. Sela Molisa [tbc]
Minister for Finance

9.10–10.00 The Vanuatu economy
Satish Chand
The Australian National University

10.00–10.30 Discussion
John Aruhuri [tbc]
General Manager, Chamber of Commerce

10.30–10.50 MORNING TEA

10.50–11.20 Public service reforms - successes and failures
Jeffrey Wilfred
Director General, Ministry of Agriculture

11.20–11.40 Discussion

11.40–12.10 Decentralisation Review Commission findings
Jimmy Nipo
former DRC Project Director, now Vanuatu Football Federation

12.10–12.30 Discussion

12.30–1.30 LUNCH
AFTERNOON SESSION

CHAIR  Satish Chand
        Asia Pacific School of Economics and Management, The Australian National 
        University

1.30–2.00  Land tribunal—tenure reform
        Professor Don Paterson
        Emeritus Professor of Law, University of the South Pacific Vanuatu Centre

2.00–2.10  Comment
        [tbc]
        Department of Lands

2.10–2.30  Discussion

2.30–3.00  Environmental issues in development
        Russell Nari
        Department of the Environment

3.00–3.10  Comment

3.10–3.30  Discussion

3.30–3.50  AFTERNOON TEA

3.50–4.20  Information exchange and global economic regulation—for whose benefit?
        Terry Dwyer
        The Australian National University

4.20–4.30  Discussion led by
        Mark Stafford
        Chairman, Finance Centre Association

4.20–5.00  Panel discussion: Vanuatu in ten years
        Marie Noelle Patterson
        Private consultant (also Transparency International)
        Case study—maladministration in Parliament
        Mary Nari
        The state of public infrastructure in Vanuatu
        Lennox Vuti, Director of Public Works
        Terry Dwyer, The Australian National University
        Jean Sese, Director General, Prime Minister’s Office
        George Pakoasongi, Secretary, Public Service Commission

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