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SUBJECT: **Fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States**

Dear Members,

In preparation for the Fourth International Conference of Small Island Developing States (SIDS4) to be held in Antigua and Barbuda on the 27th – 30th May 2024, the Secretariat is pleased to share briefing papers (Annex 1) jointly prepared by CROP to support PSIDS in the five Interactive Dialogues to be convened at the Conference.

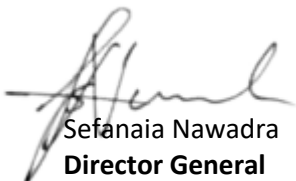
1. Revitalizing SIDS Economies for accelerated and sustainable growth.
2. Enhancing Critical Forms of Financing and Aid Effectiveness through collaborative Partnerships: a conversation.
3. Making Climate Finance work for SIDS: Building on the Outcomes of UNFCCC COP28.
4. Leveraging Data and Digital Technologies and Building effective institutions for a Resilient Future in SIDS.
5. Investing in human capital: addressing health crisis in SIDS and building the potential of youth in SIDS.

We will be sharing additional papers as they are finalised. We have also identified a major omission within the Final draft Outcomes Statement is waste and pollution. This is a high priority issue for PSIDS that needs to be advocated. We have formulated suggested text to strengthen the Outcomes Statement (Annex 2) for consideration.

I will lead the CROP Team (Annex 3) to support member delegations at the Conference. I request you share the briefs with your delegation and look forward to working with your delegations at the conference.

Please contact Jope Davetanivalu, Director - Environmental Monitoring Governance Programme (joped@sprep.org) for further information.

Yours sincerely,



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Att: Annexes 1 – 3