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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject:

The Thirteenth RA V Training Course on Tropical Cyclones

(Nadi, Fiji, 9-13 September 2019)

Action required:

Completed nomination form to be submitted on or before 12 July 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Regional Association V Tropical Cyclone Committee, at its Seventeenth session held in Nouméa, New Caledonia, France, 23-26 July 2018, recognized that the biennial RA V Training Course on Tropical Cyclones has been an excellent vehicle to enhance the capacity building in tropical cyclone forecasting in the region, and therefore recommended its organization in 2019.

In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that, at the kind invitation of the Government of Fiji, the Thirteenth RA V Training Course on Tropical Cyclones will be held in Nadi, Fiji, from 9 to 13 September 2019.

I would, therefore, like to invite you to nominate an expert to participate in the above-mentioned training course. A copy of the nomination form and information note for participants is enclosed herewith. An outline of the provisional programme will be made available in due course. The training event will be conducted in English only.

Due to the limited funds available for this event, it is hoped that your Service could consider covering the expenses relating to the attendance of your nominated expert.

For administrative purposes, I should be grateful if you could notify the WMO Secretariat **on or before 12 July 2019**, whether an expert from your Service will be able to participate.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang) for the Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association V - Australia, France, New Zealand, USA, UK (limited distribution)

cc: Mr 'Ofa Fa'Anunu, President of Regional Association V (South-West Pacific), Nuku' alofa, Tonga Mr Chris Noble, Chairperson of the Regional Association V Tropical Cyclone Committee, Wellington, New Zealand

THE 13TH RA V TRAINING COURSE ON TROPICAL CYCLONES

(Nadi, Fiji, 9-13 September 2019)

INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

1. Place and date of the Training Course

The 13th RA V Training Course on Tropical Cyclones will be held at the Fiji Meteorological Service (Training Room), Korowai Road, Namaka, Nadi, Fiji, from 9 to 13 September 2019.

2. Working language: English only

3. Entry/visa requirements

All visitors are advised to check with airlines or local travel agents for information regarding entry requirements. If you are required to have a visa to enter Fiji, you are kindly advised to apply for the visa **as soon as possible** at the nearest Fiji Embassy/Consulate General in your country.

4. Hotel Accommodation

The Fiji Meteorological Services has negotiated room rates with Tanoa International Hotel in Nadi, Fiji to ensure a good value for the accommodation. The room rates are as follows:

Single Superior room: Fijian \$185 (breakfast inclusive) Shared Superior room: Fijian \$210 (breakfast inclusive)

The hotel is located at Votualevu Road, Namaka, Nadi. Please access the following website for detailed information on the hotel:

http://www.tanoainternational.com

Participants will be responsible for booking and payment of their hotel room.

5. Currency

The currency used in Fiji is the Fijian Dollars (FJD). Other major currencies are convertible. Credit cards (American Express, Diners Club, Master Card, Visa, etc.) are accepted in most of the major outlets. The exchange rates are fluctuating with time. At the time of writing, exchange rates were as follows:

US\$1.00 = FJD1.89 (as of 31^{st} May 2019) rates fluctuates

Banking hours are Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6. Transportation

The Nadi International Airport is located about 8 km from Nadi Town. Please note that Tanoa International Hotel provides a free shuttle service to/from the airport.

Pacific Transport and Sunbeam buses operate a continuous bus service 7 days a week between Nadi and Suva. They also continue around the island via Lautoka, Ba and Rakiraki. The service is less frequent on Sundays.

Fiji Meteorological Service is less than 2 km away from Tanoa International Hotel.

Taxis in Nadi are plentiful; flag fall is \$1.50 and \$2.00 after 10 p.m.

Public buses also service the route at \$0.70 but it involves abit of walking as the buses only service the main road while the Tanoa International Hotel and Fiji Meteorological Service office are both approximately 0.3 km away from the main road.

7. Registration

Registration of the participants will take place in the training room at 8:00a.m. on Monday, 09 September 2017.

8. Climate in September

You find detailed information at: http://www.met.gov.fj

Some meteorological parameters for the month are listed below:

Mean monthly maximum temperature:29.3°CMean monthly minimum temperature:19.6°CMean monthly precipitation amount:78.0mmMean Rain Days:7 daysMean Relative Humidity:67%Mean daily duration of sunshine:7.0 hours

9. Additional information

Additional information about Nadi, Fiji may be found at: http://www.fijime.com

Should you require further information regarding the meeting, please contact:

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THE 13TH RA V TRAINING COURSE ON TROPICAL CYCLONES (NADI, FIJI, 9-13 SEPTEMBER 2019)

NOMINATION FORM

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	First Name *			Female
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	City – Country			
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	Fax	Office +	Home +	
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То	be completed and re	turned by fax and/or by mail, at the latest by 12 July 2019 to:						

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