



PILON CYBERCRIME WORKING GROUP VIRTUAL MEETING #2

MINUTES
Friday 10 June 2022

1. **Welcome** Linda S. Folaumoetu'i – Chair, PILON Cybercrime Working Group,
Attorney General, Kingdom of Tonga.

2. **Present/Apologies**

i	Linda Folaumoetu'i - Chair	Attorney General - Tonga
ii	Jo Mildenhall	Senior Crown Law Officer – NZ
iii	Andrew Kelesi	Deputy DPP, Solomon Islands
iv	Lauren Murray	Senior Legal officer – Australia
v	Nick Wilson	Senior Legal Officer – Australia
vi	Sasae Walter	Coordinator – PILON
vii	Rosy Fogatia	Assistant Coordinator – PILON

3. **Matters for Discussion:**

i. Approval of Minutes 18 March 2022.

Minutes were approved. Motion by NZ and seconded by Nauru.

ii. Update on progress of 2022 Work Plan

Webinar

An update was provided by Nicholas Wilson, Australian Attorney General's Department (AGD). The Corruption WG and the Cybercrime WG co-hosted a webinar on 'Following the Digital Paper Trail' on the 1 April 2022.

A second webinar on 'Sharing Experiences of Drafting Cybercrime Laws' is tentatively scheduled for 5 August 2022.

The Working Group will partner with the Council of Europe to co-badge this webinar, and a panel of speakers will be selected from PILON member countries who are at various stages in the process of drafting and enacting cybercrime legislation.

Zyber Intermediate scholarship

The Cybercrime Working Group commenced the Zyber Intermediate scholarship course which followed on from the Zyber 'Fundamentals of Digital Forensics for Lawyers and Judges' pilot scholarship course which was offered in 2021.

The class has progressed through the course content and is now half way through the course. There are Zoom seminars with featured guest speakers from the New Zealand Department of Internal Affairs who provided an insight from the facilitator and the class about gathering digital evidence. All the sessions are being recorded and will be uploaded to the Members' Zone as an enduring resource.

The WG will continue to look at options of offering scholarships for another session of the Zyber Fundamentals course. There is a proposal on a workbook for the prosecutors and the police participants as a support tool for the participants of the next class, and participants will work through a series of case studies delivered via Zoom.

iii. Proposal for activity to add to the Work Plan: Cybercrime Workshop (refer to Attachment B)

An update was provided by Lauren Murray, AGD. The extension of the grant agreement has been agreed to allow the workshop to be held by 31 December 2022.

The WG is planning to hold a Cybercrime Workshop in late November, this year from 28 November to 2 December. This timeframe allows for more time for countries to open up and for people to plan their travel arrangements.

The proposal includes the following key features:

- **Location:** the proposed location is Nadi, Fiji. Fiji was scheduled to be the host for the 2020 Workshop before it was cancelled, so the PILON Secretariat may be able to draw on the planning that was done for that workshop.
- **Attendees:** a smaller number of in-person delegates, plus virtual attendees. Propose a hybrid virtual and in-person approach, which would provide the flexibility for as many people as possible to attend in person if they're comfortable with that, while still allowing for people who need to attend remotely to join through Zoom.
- **Theme:** the proposed theme is 'Combatting Cybercrime: Trends and Tools in a Changing World'. AGD suggest having one day where there is a special focus on a particular theme, and are seeking the Working Group's views on a preferred theme (refer to options outlined in Concept Note attachment).
- **Training:** it is proposed to offer scholarships for the Zyber Fundamentals digital training course from August to November, in the months before the Workshop. The Working Group could run the 'Lawyers and Judges' course again, and AGD is currently consulting on whether an equivalent course could be offered to police in the same timeframe. The Zyber group would then work through case studies in 3 or 4 Zoom sessions with expert facilitators. The Zyber group would finish

their course before the in-person Workshop begins, but would receive their certificates at the Workshop.

New Zealand commented that the hybrid format seemed to be appropriate and suggested the second day could focus on Sexual and Gender Based Violence (Option B).

Solomon Islands also expressed support for the proposal.

The Chair agreed with a focus on Sexual and Gender Based Violence (Option B).

Motion to add the Workshop to the work plan was moved by New Zealand and seconded by Australia, with Option B as the focus for the second day.

iv. Update on proposal for activity to add to the Work Plan: Questionnaire coordinated by AGD and Council of Europe

AGD provided an update on the progress of this proposal, which was first discussed in March. At that meeting, Working Group members provided helpful feedback about the importance of thinking about the methodology, and in particular whether interviews might be a better approach than a questionnaire.

AGD has continued to develop this proposal with the Council of Europe, who indicated they were considering the proposal but needed more time to respond.

AGD will provide a further update at the next Working Group meeting in September.

4. Meeting Closed. 2.45pm

Minutes endorsed on 16 Sept 2022

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