



PACIFIC ISLANDS LAW OFFICERS NETWORK (PILON)
CYBERCRIME WORKING GROUP MEETING
MINUTES

TANOA Hotel, Nadi, Fiji
Wednesday 30 November 2022
4:30pm-5:30pm

1. **Welcome, Chair:** – Linda Folaumoetui, Attorney General of Tonga, Chairman PILON Cybercrime Working Group

2. **Attendees:**
 - i. Jamie Crawford – Crown Law Officer Cook Islands
 - ii. Damian Rapira Davies - Lead Operational Advisor, Dept. of Internal Affairs, NZ
 - iii. Glenys Andrews – Senior Legal Officer - Fiji
 - iv. Josephine Pitmur – Deputy Secretary, Dept. of Justice and Attorney General PNG
 - v. Mercy Tamate – Senior Prosecutor, PNG
 - vi. Tupou Vainikolo – Crown Law Officer – Attorney General’s Office, Tonga
 - vii. Lauren Murray – Senior Legal Officer, Australia
 - viii. Nick Wilson – Legal Officer – Australia
 - xi. Sasae Walter – Coordinator, PILON Secretariat

3. **Matters for Discussion:**

- a) *Discussion and feedback on progress of Cybercrime Workshop to date*

Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and attendance to the Workshop. The workshop has completed its 2nd day in session and WG members are commended for their active participation and presentations.

She also acknowledged some special guests that attended our opening ceremony on the morning of Day 1, or the opening reception that evening, such as:

- i. Niue’s Minister for Natural Resources, the Honourable Ricky Makani;
- ii. Mr Rashmi Aslam, Commissioner of the Fijian Independent Commission Against Corruption; and
- iii. Chair of PILON and Attorney General of Samoa, Su’a Hellene Wallwork;
- iv. Acting Permanent Secretary of Communications Tupou’tuah Baravilala who was delegated to present by the Attorney General of Fiji; and
- v. Australia Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology, Dr Tobias Feakin.

She also acknowledged Mr Alan Rua of the Cook Islands for the opening prayer. Chair also acknowledged the two guest speakers for the evening opening ceremony. They were - Ms. Pirjo-Liisa Heikkila, Head of Political, Trade and Information Section, European Union for the Pacific and Ms Ana Elefterescu, Senior Project Officer from the Cybercrime Programme Office, who gave some short remarks on behalf of the Council of Europe. Chair also acknowledged the Tanoa Hotel's assistance in arranging for a local group to perform a meke on the night.

The Chair invited Ms Lauren Murray (Australia) to outline the agenda for the remaining two days of the Workshop. Ms Murray outlined the themes and topics to be covered over the final two days. She noted that the Chair and members of the WG including DPP Rachel Olutimayin of the Solomon Islands will be presenting on Day 4.

After that the WG will be wrapped with the Chair providing the Final Reflections and Closing Remarks.

Chair also reminded members that there will be a survey questionnaire that will be distributed early on Friday morning for members to access and provide feedback.

The Chair then invited feedback for the Cybercrime Workshop organisers on the outcomes of the first two days. Members provided the following feedback:

- The 'fruit salad' approach of having a range of topics in the agenda has worked well, and the audience appear to have found it interesting.
- The audience are quite engaged and asking lots of questions.
- It has been good to have attendees from a range of professions, as it has expanded the discussions and enabled attendees to learn from each other.
- The virtual side of things is working quite well and it is nice to see colleagues participating online. The audience appears to really appreciate the liveness being projected on a screen in the room.
- One suggestion for improvement was to make sure that **industry service provider** (ISP) representatives are invited. Not only does this give the attendees an opportunity to hear from them on the assistance they can provide with cybercrime investigations, but it also means that they are present to hear the perspectives of the other attendees, which may be valuable feedback for them.
- **Gifts:** Members agreed to a proposal by JP of PNG who proposed that in future, possibly at the next WG workshop, WG members could organise to bring a gift from their countries to add on to the gift pool for our speakers and guests – particularly the VIPs. This would mean that the gifts are representative of the whole Working Group and the diversity of its members.

b) Discussion of 2023 Draft Work Plan

- Members discussed the draft work plan, as agreed at the third Cybercrime Working Group meeting in September 2023.
- The Chair requested feedback from members on the proposed activities set out in the work plan.
- In response to the feedback provided on the workshop, Ms Lauren Murray (Australia) noted that AGD would work with the PILON Secretariat to consider activities which featured ISPs.
- Ms Murray also noted that while several participants had not yet completed the Zyber digital forensics course, early feedback was all positive, particularly from police participants. Because AGD administers the course, she sought feedback from WG members on whether another course with different subject matter should be investigated for the 2023 work plan.
- DPP Rachel Olutimayin (Solomon Islands) suggested that the Zyber digital forensics training be retained as she had other officers who she would like to be trained in the subject matter.
- Other WG members agreed that the digital forensics training should be retained.
- WG members did not make any comment regarding the proposal to explore the possibility of collaborating with the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat to hold a webinar in early 2023.

4. Other Matters:

Next Meeting – a day to be agreed in early 2023.

5. Meeting Closed: 5.30pm