



# **Boe Declaration on Regional Security: UNSCR 1540 in the context of Pacific regionalism**

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## Vision

Our Pacific Vision is for a region of peace, harmony, security, social inclusion, and prosperity, so that all Pacific people can lead free, healthy, and productive lives.



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# 50th Pacific Islands Forum Leaders Meeting



15 August 2019, Funafuti, Tuvalu

# Working together to address common interests through *regionalism*

- The South Pacific Nuclear Free Zone Treaty of 1985 (Rarotonga Treaty)
- Regional Assistance Mission to the Solomon Islands, RAMSI, 2003 – 2017
- Pacific Regional Assistance to Nauru, PRAN, 2004 – 2009
- COP21 negotiations of the Paris Agreement, 2015, and continuing collective Forum advocacy on climate action



# Forum Regional Security Commitments



## 2018 Boe Declaration

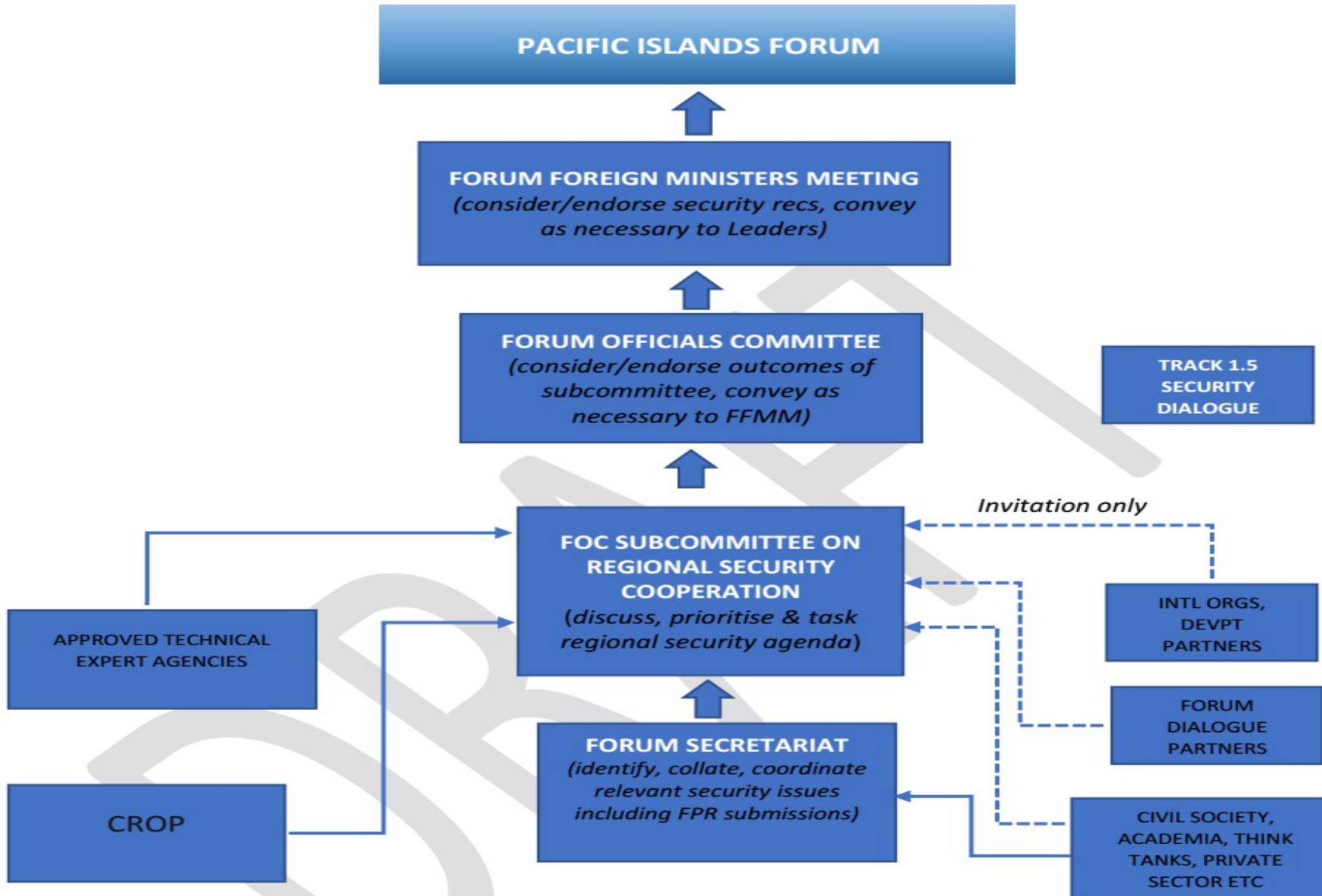
- Reaffirmed commitment to cooperation and collaboration to deal with external and domestic issues
- Strengthen effective law enforcement through regional cooperation
- Concerns about underlying causes of economic, social vulnerability; need to avert causes and resolve conflict

# The *Boe Declaration*, 2018

- Recognises that **climate change remains the single greatest threat** to the livelihoods, security and wellbeing of the peoples of the Pacific;
- Recognises the complex security challenges faced by our region, framed by the expanded concept of security – human, environment and resource, transnational and cyber;
- Recognises the need for strengthening respective national security approaches as the basis for regional security;
- It is a call to action for stronger, more cohesive regional security cooperation and coordination.



# Regional Security Coordination Mechanism



# Boe Declaration – Action Plan



Relevant Action	Measure of success
<p>Strengthen the progression and reporting of SDG 16 across Forum Members</p>	<p>SDG 16.4 - Encourage universalisation of disarmament in the region by supporting Member Countries to become States Parties to UN disarmament treaties and conventions such as the, ATT, CWC and BWC</p>
<p>Support universalisation across the region of relevant international security treaties and conventions including UNSCRs as espoused under the <i>Honiara Declaration</i> and the <i>Nasonini Declaration</i></p>	<p>Number of Member Countries that have signed, ratified and implemented UNSCRs and Security/Disarmament Treaties: UNSCR 1373, BWC, CWC, NPT, SALW, FMCT, WPS etc,</p>

# 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent



# Legislative development capacities

- **11 countries contain a dedicated drafting section, in some form, and with varying capacities:** Fiji, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, and Kiribati
- **1 country has no dedicated drafting section/division,** rather this role is shared amongst senior officials and some junior officials with some experience: Tuvalu
- **2 without dedicated drafting sections but with established arrangements (e.g. Pacific Desk) for direct supplementation of capacity through NZ PCO:** Cook Islands



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Following

Chance meeting with smart legal drafters from #Pacific nations @LowyInstitute conference; building capacity in our nations draft good laws

## 2002 FORUM MODEL PROVISIONS ON COUNTER TERRORISM AND TRANSNATIONAL ORGANISED CRIME

### UPDATED AREAS

- counter-terrorism and counter financing of terrorism (CFT) aspects of UN Security Council resolutions, the Convention against Financing of Terrorism and related FATF standards
- obligations under UNSCR 1540 regarding non-proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons (WMD)
- non-proliferation of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) weapons
- obligations relating to the UN sanctions regimes against Al Qaida, the Taliban, Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) and Al Nusrah Front (ANF)
- UNSCR 2178 and related resolutions dealing with Foreign Terrorist Fighters (FTFs)
- asset-freezing elements of UNSCR 1267 and related resolutions
- additional UN counter terrorism instruments which have been made since 2002



*Pacific regional workshop on the  
Model Provisions on Counter Terrorism and  
Transnational Organised Crime,  
18 – 19 May 2016, Auckland, New Zealand*





# Model Provisions on Targeted Financial Sanctions

*Pacific workshop on Targeted Financial Sanctions, 17 – 19 June  
Suva, Fiji*



# Key opportunities

- Regional cooperation and awareness raising through the ***Regional Security Coordination mechanism***
- 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Content
- Model Provisions





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