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To: ALL Development Partners and International Organisations

Subject: Tuvalu's Comprehensive COVID-19 Economic and Financial Relief Package

Dear Colleagues,

In these challenging times and all that it entails, I am pleased to present Tuvalu's strategic COVID-19 Economic and Financial Relief Package. This document lays out in detail the nature and rationale behind these measures and it shall also serve as a reference for mobilizing external support for accessing the various COVID-19 facilities and pledges from the international community.

It is worth noting that the approach taken in all of these measures is people centric. The Government believes that whatever the different connotations this pandemic may present, in the end it is the people that will feel and experience the impacts the most.

These economic relief measures form part of the "Talaaliki Plan" which is the Government's comprehensive worst-case scenario plan for Tuvalu. It is also linked to the Tuvalu National COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan, which details the actions Tuvalu has taken to ensure it remains COVID-19 free.. These two documents are included as attachments.

The Nation of Tuvalu and its people, though small and isolated from the rest of the world, is not immune to the impacts of this pandemic as experienced by the rest of the global community. We stand in solidarity with all global citizens in ensuring that we can come through these challenging times. In that spirit, the Government of Tuvalu has carefully mapped out a strategy that will ensure it can cope with the impacts of COVID-19, both from a health perspective and economically.

At this juncture I would like to point out that Tuvalu cannot do this alone and will require the assistance of its Development Partners and the International community – we are all in this together.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'K. Lee Moresi', with a small flourish at the end.

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