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NIUE'S BUILDING INDUSTRY SECTOR ADOPTS THE 'NATIONAL BUILDING CODE 2020'

Alofi, Niue – 11 November 2021 - The Niue Assembly on 3 November 2021 passed the amendment of the Building Code Act 1992 ('amendment bill') which repeals the old Building Code for Niue by the Building Code regulations 2021 and now stands as the Building Code 2020. Further, amendments include allowing the Minister responsible to grant exemptions to requirements imposed in certain situations. Such as, where the Building Inspector faces a scenario where the location of a waste disposal facility contravenes the Act.

The amendment bill received lively constructive debates in Niue's Assembly but was passed with unanimous support.

Minister for Infrastructure, Hon Crossley Tatui said, the legislative amendments support the Building Code regulations 2021 and the Building Code 2020 that Cabinet endorsed on the 2 November and 17 December 2020 respectively.

Minister Tatui thanked the Niue Assembly members, the Ministry of Infrastructure Director-General and team and Solicitor General for their assistance to ensure the National Building Code 2020 for Niue, Building Code regulations 2021 and Building Code Amendment Act 2021 are current for implementation.

"The building industry sector legislation and policy reforms are necessary and compulsory in today's unpredictable and intensifying climate change environment, to ensure all new buildings and housing renovations strictly adhere to the Building Code and laws", says Mr Andre Siohane, Ministry of Infrastructure Director-General.

"We acknowledge the solid technical support from the Pacific Community and other stakeholders in making these amendments", Mr. Siohane added.

Mr. Siohane adds that this achievement for the Ministry of Infrastructure is a new beginning given there are important activities to focus on, working collaboratively with Niue's building sector industry.

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KUA FAKAMOOI HE FAAHI TALAGA FALE HA NIUE E PEPA FAKAGAHUA TALAGA FALE HA NIUE 2020

Alofi, Niue – 11 Novema 2021 – Ko e Fono Ekepule he aho 3 Novema 2021 ne fakamooli ai e tau hikihi-aga kehe Matafakatufono Tohi Talaga Fale 1992 ('Matafakatufono Fakalatalata') ne kua uta kehe aki e La Matafakatufono 2021 e Pepa Fakagahua Talaga Fale tuai ia ma Niue ti ko e magaaho nei kua fakatu ai e Pepa Fakagahua Ta Fale 2020. Muaatu e tau hikiaga lalafi ke fakatonu he Ikipule e tau fakatoka-aga mae falu tau magaaho kua lata moe fakahagahaga mitaki e tuaga he tagata moe Matafakatufono Talaga Fale.

Ke tuga ia, he magaaho ka fehagai e Ofisa Tivi Fale mo e tokaaga he tau sepetiki ti nakai fetatai-aki e mamao moe fakaveaga mai he Matafakatufono Tohi Talaga Fale 2021.

Ko e Matafakatufono Fakalatalata ne taatu kehe Fono Ekepule ne alaala e tau manatu ne fakakite mai he Fono Ekepule ti ko e fakaotiaga ne moua ai e omoiaga auloa mai he tau Lilifu he Fono Ekepule.

Ko e Ikipule mae faahi gahua, Lilifu Crossley Tatui ne pehe a ia, ko e tau matafakatufono huhui ne moua mai ha ko e La Matafakatufono Talaga Fale 2021 mo e Pepa Fakagahua 2020 ne kua fakamooli ai he Fono Kapeneta he aho 2 Novema moe aho 17 Tesemo 2020.

Fakaue e Ikipule Lilifu ko Tatui kehe tau Lilifu oti he Fono Ekepule, Ulu Fakatonu Lahi mo e kau gahua pihia moe Takitaki Lahi he Faahi Gahua tau Loea he Fakatufono mae tau lagomatai ke maeke he Pepa Fakagahua Talaga Fale 2020 ma Niue, La Matafakatufono Talaga Fale 2021 moe Matafakatufono Tohi 2021 ke moua e fakamaopopo-aga moe ke fakagahua.

Ko e faahi gahua talaga fale moe tau matafakatufono pihia moe tau fakafoouaga he tau pepa fakagahua lata tuai ni ke fakahakohako ni mae vaha kua hoko ki ai ha ko e tau kitekiteaga ki mua iloa e malikiti hake e hikihihiaga kalaemete takatakai motu, ti lata he tau fale foou oti moe tau fale fakahagahaga mitaki ke muitua kehe Pepa Fakagahua Talaga Fale moe Matafakatufono he ui e Mr Andre Siohane, Ulu Fakatonu Lahi mae Faahi Gahua Talaga moe Leveki koloa mae tau tagata.

Fakaue a mautolu kehe tau lagomatai gahua mai he Pacific Community moe falu tau lima lagomatai ne maeke ke huhui e matafakatufono nei he lafilafi mai e Mr Siohane.

Pehe a Mr Siohane ko e mena lahi nei ne moua mae faahi gahua ko e taha kamata-aga foou moe haia e tau gahua mahuiga ke onoono ki ai, ke gahua kaufakalataha auloa moe faahi he tau gahua talaga fale oti ha Niue.

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