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OFFICIAL VISIT TO NIUE BY RT HON GERRY BROWNLEE AND DELEGATION: 22 - 26 APRIL 2024

Alofi, Niue – 22nd April 2024

The Speaker of the New Zealand Parliament, Rt Hon Gerry Brownlee will arrive on the island today to begin a 4-day visit. Included in Hon Brownlee's delegation are four Members of Parliament — Katie Nimon of the National Party and Member for Napier, Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall of the Labour Party, a list Member of Parliament, Tangi Utikere of the Labour Party and Member of Parliament for Palmerston North, and Huhana Lyndon who is a list MP for the Green Party.

During the 4-day visit the Members of Parliament will be meeting with Youth representatives, Village Councillors and leading women figures on the island. On Wednesday, the delegation will hold discussions with the Members of the Niue Assembly, where Speaker Brownlee will be presenting the Vice-Regal's chair. The first chair was presented by Hon Phillip Amos, Minister of Island Affairs in March 1974. The Vice Regal Chair is for the exclusive use of the representative of the King – in Niue's case the Governor-General of New Zealand – when delivering an address to the Members of the Niue Assembly.

On Thursday which is Anzac Day, Speaker Brownlee and his delegation will be hosted by the Niue RSA for the Dawn Parade at the National War Memorial in Central Alofi.

The delegation will depart Niue on Friday.

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