



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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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

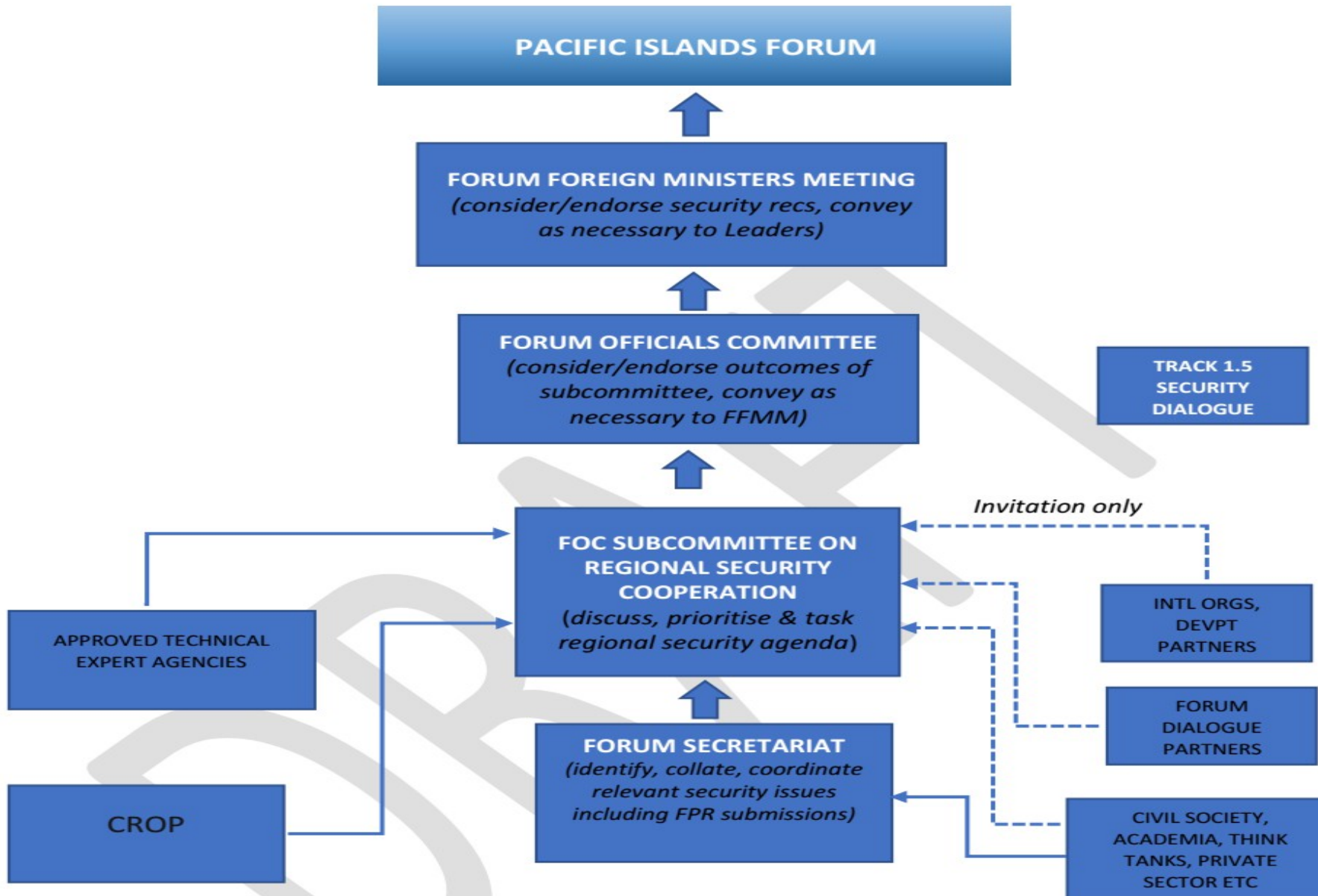
- Reaffirmed commitment to cooperation and collaboration to deal with external and domestic issues
- Strengthen effective law enforcement through regional cooperation
- Concerns about underlying causes of economic, social vulnerability; need to avert causes and resolve conflict

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
Strengthen the progression and reporting of SDG 16 across Forum Members	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
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>	Number of Member Countries that have signed, ratified and implemented UNSCRs and Security/Disarmament Treaties: UNSCR 1373, BWC, CWC, NPT, SALW, FMCT, WPS etc,

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



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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