



LAUGA A LE ALI'I PALEMIA – FA'APĀ'IAINA O LE VA'A LEOLEO MO LE GATAIFALE “NAFANUA II”

Lau Susuga i le Taitai o le Sauniga – Rev Lelevaga Apelu

Lau Afioga i le Amepasa o le Malo o Ausetalia i Samoa – Lau Afioga Sara Moriarty

Afifio Afioga i Amepasa o Mālo esese i Samoa nei

Afifio Afioga i

Taitai o le Vaega Au o Ausetalia – Admiral Quinn

Fa'auluuluga o Matagaluega esese a le Malo

Tupu ma e'e o Samoa ua tatou mafuta i leni taeao fou

O ō outou sā ma faigā, ō outou paia fa'aletalalelei, mamalu fa'alēmalo, mamalu fa'alēaganu'u o le a le oo iai se faamatalaga.

Tulou! Tulou lava! Auā o sā ma faiga mai le vavau e oo i le fa'avavau.

Ae ua tatou potopoto i leni taeao, e molimauina le taunuu mai i fanua o le Va'a a Leoleo mo le Gataifale, le “NAFANUA II”. I le masina o Iuni o le tausaga nei, sa tatou fa'amavae atu ai i le alii kapeteni ma lana aumalaga, lea sa faimalaga atu mo Ausetalia, mo le toe fa'afo'iina atu o le Va'a a Leoleo mo le Gatafaile le NAFANUA I, i le mae'a ai o lana tautua ma le auaunaga mo le Malo o Samoa talu mai le tausaga 1988.

O le foa'ina mai e le Malo o Ausetalia o lenei va'a mo le malupuipua o le gataifale o si o tatou atunuu, o loo ō gatusa lava ma tapenaga a le tatou malo aemaise o sainigālīma fa'avāomalo a Ta'ita'i uma o le Pasefika, e pei ona iai le Boe Declaration. O lenei fa'amoemoe, ina ia fa'atumauiina le saogalēmu o ō tatou 'ogāsami mai le fāgotaina fa'asolitulafono, aemaise ai o le puipuga mai le fa'aaogaina o ō tatou 'ogāsami i le feavea'iina o a'upega malosi aemaise ai o fualaau faasāina.

E fa'afetai ai i le malo o Ausetalia mo lenei foa'i e tusa ma le \$30 miliona tala Samoa lona tau aofa'i, le Va'a o le Gataifale, le Nafanua II. O loo fa'amauiina foi le fa'aauauina pea o feasoasoini a le Malo o Ausetalia mo le fa'atupeina o galuega patino i le poloketi o le "Pacific Maritime Security Program" i le tau aofa'i e 2 piliona tala mo le isi 30 tausaga o lumana'i. O lenei poloketi e mō le fa'atupeina o va'a o gataifale, fa'aaogaina o va'alele laiti e mataituina 'ogāsami o le vasa Pasefika, aemaise o le si'itia o polokalame e galulue fa'atasi ai atunuu o le Pasefika mo le puipua o ona ogāsami.

I lenei la taeao, tatou te molimauina ai le fa'atōtōgaina o lenei va'a le Nafanua II i ona itutino uma, e mafai ai ona siitia ma vave le tali atu i ni mataupu e ono tulai mai. Ua fa'amauiina foi ni vaega tāua e patino i lenei va'a o le Nafanua II e fa'apea:

- E 39.5 mita lona umi ma e mafai ona malaga i le 3,000 maila pe 5,600kilo mita i le masau e 20 note

- Ua mafai ona fa'apotuina mo se auvaa e 23 le aofa'i ma ua iai uma potu moe e patino mo alii ma tamaitai.
- Ua fa'apipiina ai foi se alāvaa mo le sefeina mai o i latou e mafatia i le sami ma e vave ona tuuina a'e i lalo o le sami mo nei galuega lavea'i, fa'atasi ai ma se va'a lavea'i e fa'auva'aina e ni auva'a e oo atu i le 15 lona aofa'i.
- O loo iai foi le avanoa e mafai ai ona tuuina iai ni containers e fa'amoemoe mo ni galuega lavea'i
- Ua fa'atōtōgaina foi i masini fa'aonapōnei e maitauina ai le loloto o 'ogāsami ma masini e tau'aveina ai lava le vaa (autopilot)
- Ua fa'atōtōgaina foi i masini o feso'otaiga fa'aonapōnei e aofia ai ma telefoni satelite ma a'upega tafa'ilagi
- Masini e mafai ai ona fa'amauina vāega eseese o le 'ogāsami (charting system)

O se fiafiaga tele foi i lenei fesoasoani ona ua mafai ma fa'amaeaina ona a'oa'oina uma i latou sa faimalaga atu i Ausetalia i tōmai latou te tauaveina ai tiute ma matāfaioi e fitō'itōnu i le fa'aaogaina o lenei va'a o le gāta'ifale.

Talitonu ua si'itia le tōmai e ao foi la ona si'tia le auaunaga ma le agava'a i le puipuiga o si o tatou Atunu'u, mai soligatulafono fa'avaomalo atoa ai ma soligatulafono fa'aonapo nei, e pei ona ou

ta'ua i luga ma ua tatou molimau ina e pei ona iai mataupu tau fualaau fa'asaina ma le fagotaina fa'asolitulafono o ō tatou 'ogāsami.

O se lu'itau i le Komesina o Leoleo ma le Matagaluega, ia va'ai toto'a i le fa'aaogaina o lenei aseta taua. Ua na o le pau lenei o le va'a o le gataifale e puipuia 'ogāsami o si o tatou atunuu. O le igoa lenei o Nafanua, o le suafa o se toa tama'ita'i o Samoa. E tele vāvega sa ia faia ma sa ia vavalō foi i le taunuu mai o le talalelei i Samoa nei. Ia fa'aaauaina e le auva'a lenei igoa e mamae iai Samoa. E le gata i lea, ia fa'aaauaina galuega lelei e auala atu i lenei va'a auā le tautuaina o Samoa ma ona tagata.

E iai le fa'amoemoe o lenei pā'aga i le va o le Malo o Ausetalia ma Samoa, o le a fa'amausālī ai ma fa'amālosia pea, auā se Samoa poo se Pasefika saogalemu.

A ta'ape ma tu'u ama le fua, ia māmā le lagi i lau susuga i le ta'ita'i o le Sauniga, fa'apea malo valaaulia aemaise Samoa ua potopoto.



HONOURABLE PRIME MINISTER SPEECH
OFFICIAL COMMISSIONING OF POLICE PATROL BOAT
NAFANUA II

- Rev Lelevaga Apelu
- Australian High Commissioner to Samoa - Your Excellency Ms Sara Moriarty
- Members of the Diplomatic Corps to Samoa – Your Excellencies
- Rear Admiral Quinn of the Australian Defence
- Various Heads of Government
- Distinguished Guests, families and friends

On behalf of the Samoan Government, I wish to extend our most sincere appreciation to the Government of Australia for its ongoing contribution to the Pacific Region and especially to Samoa.

In June this year, we farewell the Police Maritime crew who travelled to Australia to return Samoa's first and only Patrol Boat, the Nafanua I for her last voyage after serving Samoa and its people since 1988 (30 years). Named after Nafanua – a famous Samoan Warrior Princess and a legend in Polynesian mythology.

The welcoming of the new **\$30million tala “Guardian Class Patrol Boat – Nafanua II”** is essential to the protection of our blue Pacific. Blue Pacific, a sentiment that not only, us here in Samoa but also the Pacific holds dearly, because the Pacific Ocean is a place we call home. We must be vigilant in the protection of our oceans, our

borders and our people from external threats such as illegal fishing and transnational crimes.

As such, the Samoan Government values Australia's ongoing contribution in the Pacific region and especially to Samoa. This is just one of the many assistance programs that the Government of Australia has contributed to the Samoan Government.

We acknowledge that this new Guardian Patrol Boat, *Nafanua II* is only a small part of the **Pacific Maritime Security Program** which is a commitment of AUD\$2 billion for over 30 years to the Pacific region.

The Pacific Maritime Security Program will also provide the Pacific and Samoa with;

- New region-wide contracted aerial surveillance; Samoa being the second country hosting one of the two airplanes and
- Enhancement to regional coordination for Maritime patrol surveillance through the Regional Coordination Centre in the Solomon Islands

The above mentioned program (Pacific Maritime Security Program) will assist Samoa to:

- Combat a wider range of maritime security threats (including transnational crime, illegal fishing and trafficking and smuggling of people;
- Improve on existing maritime surveillance surface patrols with new integrated aerial surveillance; and
- Promote a more coordinated approach to maritime security through regional coordination centres and improved

coordination of support provided by our regional partners such as Australia, New Zealand, France and the United States.

Nafanua II will provide opportunities for the Samoa Police Service through the Maritime Wing in enhancing the various capacities and expertise of the crew in detecting, disrupting and preventing criminal activities from operating in the Pacific especially in our Exclusive Economic Zones.

I understand that with the Nafanua II it has the capabilities such as:

- 39.5 metres long and capable of travelling in 3,000 nautical miles (5,600 km) at 12 knots (22 km/h), with a maximum speed of 20 knots (37 km/h).
- Designed to berth a complement of 23 crew members, both male and female.
- It has a stern launching ramp for the fast rescue boat, certified by SOLAS. Driven by two 90hp Yamaha outboard motors, the fast rescue boat can seat 15 crew.
- Cargo deck area of 16m² for shipping containers to be embarked for HADR operations.
- Navigation sensors on-board the vessels include a gyrocompass, X-Band radar, differential global positioning system (DGPS), depth sounder and autopilot.
- The communications systems include Inmarsat C, HF and VHF radio direction finder, SatCom (satellite communications), VHF / DSC radios, MF / HF DSC radios, VHF Aeroband radio, and UHF military radio.

- Electronic charting system
- Satellite communications (Email at Sea)
- Electronic machinery controls (marine link) to monitor running machinery at sea from the bridge; and
- Air band Radio communication with Aircraft.

I challenge the Nafanua crew to utilize the skills and trainings gain from your Australian counterparts in order to protect our country and our region.

Be fully committed to annual regional operations that *Nafanua II* is actively involved in, not only to learn and foster networking but importantly to prevent the influx of such unwanted intended crimes from reaching the shores of Samoa.

It is my hope that the partnership between the Samoan Government and the Government of Australia will continue to remain firm and grow even greater in years to come.

Again, I wish to acknowledge the Australian Government and the people of Australia for its ongoing support.

God Bless you all who are here today.

God Bless Samoa.

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