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GPPAC Pacific Welcomes Focus on Human Security

"As a regional peacebuilding network committed to progressing a gender inclusive conflict prevention and human security agenda, including through our regional Women's Weather Watch strategy, we look forward to continued collaboration with the Pacific Islands Forum in progressing these outcomes," said Sharon Bhagwan Rolls, Executive Producer-Director of femLINKpacific and the Chairperson of the International Board of GPPAC, referring to the adoption of outcomes of the Pacific Islands Forum Foreign Ministers Meeting (FFMM). "GPPAC Pacific particularly welcomes the recommendations on the review of the Biketawa Declaration and the support to progress the human security framework."

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Women Must Engage But Not Over-Sacrifice

by Alisia Evans and Sulueti Waqa

"Promoting women's participation in formal and informal decision-making structures and local and national government processes is a mean(s) of conflict prevention and peace building," shared Sapeci Cerevalu, a young woman from Koronubu in Ba.

The way that the world is, nothing is gender neutral.

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Regional Spaces, Shared Priorities

by Lisa Horiwapu

As a network committed to progressing commitments for gender inclusive conflict prevention and human security, the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) Pacific Network and partners from Bougainville and Fiji celebrated the knowledge and strength of the leaders of the network and the roles they play in empowering young women in the network early this month.

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Address the Under Representation of Women at all Levels of Decision Making

by Fane Boseiwaqa with Losana Derenalagi

"We need women in decision making processes, help them get there," says Losana Derenalagi, convenor for femLINKpacific in Nadi and Lautoka. "Women's participation in decision making process is important to realise the sustainability of development"

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A Gendered Approach Makes Good Business, Sustainable Development

by Hannah Hicks and Sian Rolls

"It all starts with valuing a role," explained Leanne Hunter of J Hunter Pearls Fiji.

femLINKpacific caught up with Hunter in Savusavu last month (July) to find out more about the modality of work of J Hunter Pearls Fiji in engaging communities, especially women, in pearl farming in the Northern division.

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Events and Campaigns

GPPAC Pacific RSG 2017 and Pasifika Peace Talanoa

From the 3rd to the 5th of July, 2017, femLINKpacific – as the GPPAC Pacific Secretariat – convened the annual regional steering group (RSG) meeting with the networks' partners. The three days was a time to reflect, learn and strategise.

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Heleta - GPPAC Pacific Chair

by Adi Mitimiti Pasikala

As the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict held their Regional Steering Group (RSG) meeting at the start of this month, Pacific peacewomen marked a decade of collective networking and turned a page in herstory as Vanessa Heleta Founder/Director of Talitha Project Tonga, was appointed as the Chairperson of the RSG.

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No Nukes – Pacific Missions urged to be "in the room" for the vote to prohibit nuclear weapons

Suva (06 July) / New York (05 July 2017)

Pacific anti-nuclear activist Dr Vanessa Griffen is calling on Pacific Island governments to bring their vote to ensure that the United Nations adopts the much-anticipated United Nations Treaty to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons at the United Nations.

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We're Getting Closer to a No Nukes Treaty!

7 July 2017

We are "on the cusp of a truly historic moment," said the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) on Thursday morning, "when the international community declares, unambiguously, for the first time, that nuclear weapons are not only immoral, but also illegal." The development—and hopeful adoption—of this treaty represents a breaking point with the status quo, with subservience to the powerful, with the patriarchal world order of massive nuclear violence. Whatever happens on Friday, this treaty has already impacted the nuclear establishment and, more broadly, international relations. Its adoption and implementation will bring even more positive change.

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No Nukes - A New Reality

8 July 2017

Yesterday, we banned nuclear weapons.

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Women Lead the Way to A Nuclear Free Pacific, World

by Alisia Evans

"It is now adding to the norm that these (nuclear) weapons are illegal and dangerous and they join other weapons of mass destruction as being described as that," reflected Vanessa Griffen, long-time activist of the anti-nuclear movement during an interview following a historical meeting of Nation States to adopt a treaty banning nuclear weapons.

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Access to Justice consultations

During the month of July, femLINKpacific met with Rural Women Leaders to discuss Access to Justice through a series of district level consultations conducted in collaboration with the Fiji Women's Rights Movement's Access to Justice Programme supported by the European Union.

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GPPAC Pacific National Consultation – Tonga, August 2017

A two-day Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) Tonga national consultation hosted by the Talitha Project took place on the 15th and 16th of August, 2017. The activity is part of the regional Gender Inclusive Conflict Prevention and Human Security programme of GPPAC Pacific coordinated by femLINKpacific and supported by the Pacific Islands Forum Non State Actors programme funded by the European Union.

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New Publications

Community Radio Times 3/2017

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Community Radio Times

FEMTALK 89FM Turns 13!

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Strengthening Gender Inclusive **Conflict Prevention and Human Security in the Pacific**

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As a network committed to progressing prevention and human security, the Global Partnership for the Prevention Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) Pacific network and partners from Fili and Bougainville, we celebrate the knowledge and strength of the leaders of our network and the role the Pacific Regional Secretariat for GPPAC, works we all play in empowering young women in our

Since 2011, GPPAC has been a strong advocate Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu. GPPAC Pacific's for increasing cooperation between civil society organisations (CSOs) and regional intergovernmental organizations (RIGOs) to foster Prevention Framework, Human Security greater understanding of the interdependence and mutually reinforcing relationship between peace, security and development, GPPAC believes in working with actors such as the UN, RIGOs and governments in the conflict prevention and

peacebuilding field, as well as CSOs and nonstate actors. A key focus of GPPAC's policy and advocacy program is increasing and strengthening the relationship between RIGOs and CSOs.

In the Pacific Islands region, femLINKpacific as in collaboration with WACC Pacific, across the twenty-two Pacific Island countries and territories linking peacebuilders in Fiji, Papua New Guinea, network members have actively contributed to the development and adoption of the Conflict Framework and the Pacific Regional Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (2012).

http://www.gppac.net/news/-/asset_publisher/fft/97YcOzOCI/content/policy-brief-regional-organizations-and-peacebuilding-the-

Fiji: FemLINKPACIFIC, Transcend Oceania, Pacific Centre for Peacebuilding Papua New Guinea: Peace Foundation Melanasia & Nazareth Centre, Solomon Islands: Vois Blong Mere, Tonga: Talitha Project, Vanuatu: Young Women for Change

Strengthening Gender Inclusive Conflict Prevention and Human Security in the Pacific

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Partner Updates

Community Radios are the First Defenders of Human Rights

via AMARC Asia Pacific - Statement on World Humanitarian Day 2017

19 August 2017, Kathmandu.

On the occasion of the World Humanitarian Day 2017, community radios of Asia-Pacific reaffirm their commitment to uphold the rights of women, men and children caught in humanitarian crises situations including intensifying disasters caused by the onslaught of climate change.

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The Fiji Women's Forum and Fiji Young Women's Forum National Convention & the 4th Fiji Young Women's Forum

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The Fiji Women's Forum and Fiji Young Women's Forum National Convention 28th to 30th August, 2017

Women's Weather Watch

Women's Weather Watch Updates: 2017 (July, August)

http://www.femlinkpacific.org.fj/index.php/en/actions/archive/573-women-s-weather-watch-updates-2017-july-august (/index.php/en/actions/archive/573-women-s-weather-watch-updates-2017-july-august)

Prepare Now – Amplify Women As Leaders, First Responders

by Alisia Evans

"Women leaders (can) take a leadership role in educating the women especially those (in local communities) who are most vulnerable and those who are most disadvantaged with getting (weather) information on time," highlighted Ravind Kumar, Director of the Fiji Meteorological Office during an interview with femLINKpacific in late July.

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Dignity, Resilience, Information – Interlinked

by Lisa Horiwapu

"Protection with dignity is not just ensuring the absence of violence, a negative peace, but having humanitarian actors not be undignified in their work to provide relief," highlighted Adi Vasulevu of Transcend Oceania from Fiji in April, during a 'Women, Peace and Security and the Humanitarian Agenda: Participation, Preparedness and Protection' Interactive Dialogue.

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WWW - Participating Requires Info

by Stella Waioha and Sian Rolls

"Women in Solomon Islands must be part of decision making and have information about how they can participate, be protected and prepare before, during and after disasters strike," said Clement Manuri, Deputy General Secretary of The Solomon Islands Red Cross.

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Here Are The Women

World Humanitarian Day 2017: femLINKpacific - Women's Weather Watch

Women's Weather Watch is femLINKpacific's inter-operable communication platform has been developed initially for Women's Weather Watch.

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On Air and Online

Labasa's Women-Led and Only Radio Station Extends Broadcasts

by Sian Rolls

"They listen what we are saying and what changes which we have shared...it's really appreciated," remarked Dimakita Lena, President of the Naleba Multiracial Women's Club.

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Young Women Broadcasters - Proud of 89FM Labasa Expansion

by Sulueti Waqa

"As a young woman, the community radio is a very important tool for me to use to advocate on gender equality, raise (the) issues of women and marginalised groups and, most importantly, give the voice to the voiceless," shared Alumita Davelevu, the broadcaster that hosts the afternoon show.

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Inspiring and Empowering Young Women to Affirm their Rights

by Sian Rolls

"Just hearing the name of the programme 'My Body, My Rights' inspires me and encourages me to speak up for myself."

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Reaffirming Women's Leadership - The First Responders

by Hannah Hicks

"It's very critical... it's the network of the women (that) get the message out on a particular issue," said Minister Concetta Fierravanti-Wells, the Minister for International Development and the Pacific in the Australian Government, speaking to femLINKpacific during a recent visit to Fiji.

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