

Apologies my internet connection is still unstable there is a storm in the air.

My response to awareness raising for the convention is at different levels if ratification is the desired result.

Firstly, target selected government Ministry of Culture officials who would be responsible to do the briefings and need more awareness on the Convention and its implications of ratification to be able to present to their Ministers.

Target Ministers responsible for Culture in the region reporting back to regional ministerial meetings. (Melanesian spearhead group, Micronesian, Polynesian and to the Pacific Community regional culture strategy. Ministerial meetings.

Programs for awareness raising to the regional cultural associations and their networks /Communities. Through online training and tool kits that can be disseminated to PARBICA, PIMA, PIALA, ICOMOS Pasifika and IFACCA networks.

For communities' regional awareness and training on the ICOMOS Pasifika low tech mapping tool kits linked to documentation and recordings of ICH and natural warning systems in island states.

Targeted Training of the Armed forces and first respondents in the Pacific. Follow up with Fiji, Tonga, Vanuatu working with Military Attachés linked to the British Government for example.

Strategically link the Pacific to the UNESCO Military training programs that were mentioned today.

I really would have liked to have contributed more but as you see the challenges on the ground depends on the weather and other circumstances as well as the technology.

Lastly, I would like to thank you all for the focus on the Pacific and to see how we can move forward for the ratification and implementation of the convention in more island nations.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding, Blue Shield Pasifika looks forward to further collaboration in the future.

With kind regards

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