DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
1981/82
I have pleasure in submitting this Annual Report for 1981/82 to the SPEC Committee for approval and transmission to the South Pacific Forum as required under the terms of Article V of the Agreement establishing the South Pacific Bureau for Economic Co-operation.

The Report has been circulated to SPEC member Governments.

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INTRODUCTION

I am pleased to submit to the South Pacific Forum, through the SPEC Committee, this Annual Report on the activities of the South Pacific Bureau for Economic Co-operation from June 1981 to June 1982. In so doing, I wish firstly to acknowledge the valuable contribution to the work of the Bureau of the late Director of SPEC, Dr Gabriel Gris CBE, whose tragic death in March 1982 came as a great loss to SPEC and to the region.

2. The twelve months period reviewed here has been particularly busy, and the Bureau's work programme, especially for 1982, has proved to be demanding. Progress in the field of regional development depends on a multiplicity of factors, not the least being the cooperation of all the individuals and entities concerned, and results are often slow to emerge. Nevertheless, during the period reviewed, I believe much has been accomplished.

REGIONAL OVERVIEW

3. Within the South Pacific region, late 1981/early 1982 has been marked by a number of political changes. New Governments came to office in Solomon Islands (August 1981), Tuvalu (September 1981) and
Western Samoa (April 1982); while elections in New Zealand (November 1981) and Kiribati (March to May 1982) saw the return of the incumbent Governments. Before the Forum meets in August 1982, elections are also due in both Papua New Guinea and Fiji.

4. Economic conditions have featured prominently in most of the political campaigns, and have been a major concern of all Governments of the region. Unfortunately, the downturn, noted last year, in world prices for the agricultural commodities, such as copra and fish, which form the basis of most Island economies has continued, compounding balance of payments problems and undermining the prospects for economic development. A relative stability in oil prices has not overcome the burden of the energy bill for Pacific Island countries; while the resurgence of the American dollar has had little if any beneficial spin-off in the region. Difficulties in the transport sector continue to pose fundamental problems for the small and fragile economies of Island states.

5. Despite the evolution of a rhetoric embracing 'lesser developed, land-locked and Island developing States' few major sources of development assistance have in fact instituted special programmes for this disadvantaged group. The South Pacific's dependence on traditional aid sources would seem to be reinforced by the reluctance of many extra-regional donors to look much beyond the larger recipient nations of Asia and Africa.
6. Yet these difficulties may be largely due to lack of awareness. Size and distance count against the South Pacific; and peace and stability ironically create a low profile. Awareness is, nevertheless, growing, with the realisation of the region's resource-potential and its vital role in the communications between Pacific-rim States. Organisations such as SPEC can play an important part in heightening awareness and channelling the assistance needed to further develop the region.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SPEC ACTIVITY

7. At the December 1981 SPEC Committee Budget Session, a SPEC organisational chart was approved which reflects the major divisions of the Bureau's work programme. These are: Research and Planning, Trade and Industry, Transport and Communications, and Energy.

8. Under Research and Planning, SPEC has become heavily involved in the co-ordination of regional aid projects, especially the Lome II and UNDP programmes. Under a financing arrangement with the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation an officer has been located at SPEC specifically to deal with the volume of Lome II work; and in late April 1982 the Bureau, in co-operation with the Fiji Government, convened the first session of the ACP Pacific Group Council of
Ministers, held at SPEC Headquarters prior to the annual ACP Council and Joint ACP/EEC Council Sessions. Early in June, a regional meeting of development planners was scheduled to be held, also at SPEC Headquarters, to examine strategies for regional development. We believe, however, that the establishment of priorities in regional development requires further attention.

9. SPEC has attempted to focus more on the special needs of the smaller Island countries, and in this regard held a meeting in Niue in February 1982 to highlight the problems of the smaller members of the Bureau and to detail a further work programme for SPEC to pursue. It is intended to assign a professional officer to work full time in this area. The Niue meeting has also endorsed the proposal to establish a Pacific Islands Fund as a channel for additional development finance to the region.

10. In accordance with the SPEC mandate to promote the expansion of regional trade, this area of the work programme received considerable attention during the period under review. An important and far-ranging study into the scope for closer economic cooperation among the Island members of SPEC was completed in May 1982, and was scheduled for discussion at the annual meeting of the Regional Committee on Trade in July. Market reports on Japan and the United States of America were also completed early in 1982.
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11. A detailed investigation into European coconut oil markets was carried out by the SPEC Trade and Marketing Officer, and in March 1982 a Regional Meeting of Coconut Industry Interests was held at SPEC Headquarters. The first SPEC meeting on the problems of the region's tourism industry took place at SPEC in late May 1982.

12. In regional telecommunications, the prospects for meeting the South Pacific's future national and regional requirements are under close investigation through the SPEC co-ordinated Rural Telecommunications Study. In addition, the prospects offered by rapidly evolving technologies call for close monitoring, in which task SPEC is greatly assisted by a team of ITU experts.

13. In the field of regional transport, SPEC has once again been very much occupied with the operation and financing of the Pacific Forum Line (PFL). The Twelfth South Pacific Forum endorsed the convening of a Special Session of the Regional Shipping Council in October 1981 to consider the report of independent consultants, commissioned by SPEC with CFTC funding, on the Line. Many of the operational and management recommendations of the consultants have been implemented, and additional finance from Forum countries has been provided since August 1981. Particular attention has been paid to the development
of a feeder service to Tuvalu and Kiribati, and to the acquisition of container units. However, several steps remain to be taken, and the Tenth Regional Shipping Council in April 1982 has recommended further consideration of the issue by the South Pacific Forum.

14. In regard to civil aviation, it is clear that this is an area in which a regional approach to issues of concern is required, and it is expected that SPEC, with augmented resources, could in future play a larger role.

15. Following the decision of last year's Forum, the Bureau has set up a 2-man Energy Unit for the co-ordination of regional energy programmes and activities. The Unit has concentrated in recent months upon a joint regional energy preparatory mission, assessing the requirements and preparing the projects for UNDP and EEC regional energy programmes.

16. Finally, mention must be made of the Bureau's role in preparing the documentation for the Special Session of the SPEC Committee, held in May 1982, on a Single Regional Organisation. The background papers for this exercise required considerable research and effort.
17. As noted in last year's Report, the core of the SPEC work programme lies in the area of Trade, in keeping with the Bureau's objectives and mandate. In drawing up the 1982 work programme and budget, therefore, SPEC planned a heavy schedule of activities in this field. Implementation of this programme is proceeding, and SPEC has dealt with a varied and pressing range of trade and industry issues over the last twelve months.

18. SPEC's main trade activities have been: participation in the Investigation into the Scope for Closer Economic Co-operation among the Island Members of SPEC, and the Market Studies of Japan and the United States; the completion of intensive studies of the coconut industry and its marketing prospects by the Trade and Marketing Officer; and continuing involvement in monitoring the SPARTECA Agreement. Difficulties in regard to projects investigating industrial development potential in the region (see below) have brought disappointingly slow progress in this field.
19. This study, which was authorised by the Eleventh South Pacific Forum, was undertaken by the Australian firm of consultants, Pak Poy and Kneebone of Adelaide, in conjunction with SPEC, and through funding supplied by the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation. The study, involving extensive field visits to SPEC Island member countries, commenced in September 1981 and was completed on schedule in May 1982. The consultants' Report has been circulated to member countries. The exercise has proved to be a significant and timely study of the opportunities for, and barriers to, increasing the flow of inter-Island trade in the region, and constitutes a major step towards broadening the knowledge of regional trade patterns. The findings of this study are to be discussed at the Second Regional Committee on Trade in July 1982.

20. These studies, involving investigations into market opportunities for selected products from Island countries into the USA and Japan, commenced in May 1981. Due to disruptions within the consultancy firm, the Economic Research Unit, completion of the Reports was delayed; however the final Report, in three
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volumes, was circulated to member countries in May this year. The Report and possible follow-up action is to be discussed at the Second Regional Committee on Trade in Canberra in July.

- South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Co-operation Agreement (SPARTECA)

21. Under the SPARTECA Agreement, which came into effect on 1 January 1981, provision is made to review regularly the operation and the schedules of the Agreement. The review process takes place at the annual meeting of the Regional Committee on Trade, set up under Article XI of the Agreement. At its first meeting in July 1981, this Committee reported to the Forum that as the Agreement had only been in effect for six months it was not yet possible to draw firm conclusions or make meaningful assessments of its effect on the patterns of trade within the region. The Committee noted, however, instances where products not sold in Australia or New Zealand were now benefitting from the access provisions of the Agreement. Since then, there is evidence to suggest that the flow of Island products to Australia and New Zealand under SPARTECA provisions has increased. The Regional Committee on Trade is scheduled to carry out a further review in July 1982.
Concerning the schedules to the Agreement, it was noted at the First Meeting of the Regional Committee on Trade that New Zealand had received no requests for amendments to its schedule. Australia had received a number of requests for amendments to its schedules.

As far as SPEC is aware there have been altogether about seventeen requests from Island countries to include additional items in the Australian schedules. As well there was a common request from the Solomon Islands, Fiji and Cook Islands for consideration for derogation from the 50% rules of origin for certain categories of garments they manufacture. Certain of the requests have met with a positive response, one or two have been rejected, while most are still under consideration by Australia.

SPEC's role continued to be to monitor requests for amendments and to ensure that all Parties are kept informed. SPEC is also convenor of the Regional Committee on Trade, and is responsible for secretariat services. There have been no requests for consultations, which SPEC would co-ordinate under Article X, since the Agreement came into effect.

On 18 November 1981 the Government of Vanuatu, in response to an invitation issued by the Director of SPEC with the approval of all the Parties,
deposited its instrument of accession and became a Party to the Agreement. The Government of Kiribati ratified the Agreement on 1 July 1981; and Australia deposited its instrument of ratification on 31 May 1982. Whilst all Forum Island countries party to the Agreement have now agreed to the inclusion of Nauru in the list of 'smaller Forum Island countries' in Article I of SPARTECA, the Government of Nauru (at the time of writing) has not acceded to the Agreement. Apart from Nauru, all other Forum member countries are Parties to SPARTECA.

- Regional Committee on Trade

26. The Second Meeting of the Regional Committee on Trade, the body established under the SPARTECA Agreement to review and consider the operation of the Agreement and its schedules, is to be held on 5-7 July 1982 in Canberra, Australia. The Committee will also discuss other regional trade issues and activities currently being pursued by SPEC. The Committee will report to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum, through the Director of SPEC.
27. As mentioned in the last Annual Report, the UNCTAD/ITC-SPEC Trade Promotion, Advisory Services and Training Project commenced in February 1981. Since the arrival of the project co-ordinator, a number of activities have taken place or are about to take place.

28. Two ITC consultants visited SPEC Headquarters, Fiji and Papua New Guinea to assess training needs and facilities and draw up medium to long term programmes of training, to begin later this year. The project co-ordinator has been visiting member countries making preparatory arrangements for the actual seminars.

29. In March/April of this year an adviser visited Fiji, Western Samoa, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea to assess the needs and problems associated with development of the furniture industry for purposes of increasing export opportunities for the countries concerned. An expert on packaging also visited a number of Island countries during May and June of this year; and another consultant will soon visit Chambers of Commerce in each Island country with a view to improving co-operation and co-ordination of the activities of the Chambers in the region.
30. Regarding the project's trade and information services, about $50,000 of documentation and equipment was ordered last year for national and the regional trade information centres. Much of this material has already been delivered. The project includes provision for a further $25,000 of documentation and equipment this year. Some assistance is also being provided in setting up trade information centres.

31. A programme of technical assistance on the planning, production and in implementation of trade publicity programmes and materials was initiated in May 1982, when a senior ITC adviser arrived for a short-term assignment with the Fiji Government, and to plan the continuation of the programme for other countries concerned.

- Coconut Industry

  1) Consultancies

32. In October/November 1981, the Trade and Marketing Officer completed a survey, with a special emphasis on marketing, of the Kiribati copra industry. He also participated in a special Ministerial enquiry into the affairs of the Kiribati Copra Society, and assisted the Kiribati Government's negotiations with
international copra buyers. Extensive discussions were carried out with executives of other copra marketing authorities and companies involved in the processing of coconut oil and other products, particularly in the Philippines and the Marshall Islands.

33. The Trade and Marketing Officer also attended the Solomon Islands Coconut Industry Workshop in December 1981.

ii) Survey of Copra and Coconut Oil Markets in Europe

34. This survey was undertaken by the SPEC Trade and Marketing Officer in December 1981/January 1982. Crushing mills and end-users in seven countries were visited. Discussions with Japanese buyers earlier in 1981 plus some consultation in the USA enabled the Trade and Marketing Officer to compile a detailed report which was presented and discussed at the Regional Meeting of Coconut Industry Interests in March 1982 (see below).

iii) Regional Meeting of Coconut Industry Interests

35. This meeting was held at SPEC Headquarters on 15-19 March 1982 to discuss problems being experienced
by the coconut industry in the South Pacific, the findings of the Survey of Copra and Coconut Oil Markets in Europe, and the (UNIDO/SPEC) Regional Vegetable Oils and Fats Survey of the Pacific Region.

36. The meeting requested SPEC to examine the feasibility of a regional association of parties who are directly involved in the coconut industry. It was envisaged that such an association would, inter alia, establish a separate market identity for South Pacific copra and oil (which is considered a superior product), provide market information, advice, exchange information and share the promotion of coconut products, etc amongst members.

- Regional Long Term Sugar Agreement

37. Parties to the Regional Long Term Sugar Agreement met at SPEC Headquarters in November 1981 to renegotiate the Agreement, and a new modified Agreement to begin in 1982 for three years was concluded.

38. In March 1982 another meeting was held at SPEC Headquarters to review the 1981/82 quota utilisations. The meeting also agreed on prices and quota allocations for the year 1982/83, and made arrangements for the appointment of a sole sugar purchasing agent. The Regional Long Term Sugar Agreement has been in force since 1976.
Regional Tourism Development

39. Recognising the need for greater co-operation amongst Pacific Governments in tourism development, and the importance of tourism to the economies of many Island countries, SPEC, in co-operation with the Pacific Area Travel Association, convened a meeting on 24-26 May 1982 of public and private sector interests involved in the South Pacific tourist industry. The meeting was aimed at examining the scope for regional approaches to the problems facing the industry, and the role of the various regional organisations concerned with tourism. The meeting concluded, inter alia, that SPEC should play a more active role in regional tourism development, and suggested that a meeting of South Pacific Tourism Ministers be convened.

ESCAP/ADB/SPEC Industrial Survey of the South Pacific

40. This project, after being delayed for several years, finally commenced in June 1981. A team leader and other team members were appointed and a series of country visits, and a mid-term review (September), took place in the latter half of 1981. It became clear at the mid-term review that there were incompatibilities within the team, and also that the sponsoring agencies had differing views on the survey's
objectives. As a result, the team broke up before completing its report writing, and although originally scheduled to be completed in December 1981, the survey's regional and country reports and individual industry portfolios have not yet been finalised. It is now hoped that some reports will be available later this year.

- Harmonisation of Industrial Incentives Study

41. The field work for this study was completed in early 1981, and a draft of the final Report was received by SPEC last November. Delays in finalising the Report appear to be due to disagreements between the funding agency and the consultant, Mr Dennis Rose, principally over the scope and costs of the study. To overcome this problem, SPEC has arranged for the consultant to complete his work in June under separate funding. The Report should be available for distribution soon thereafter.

- Generalised System of Preferences (GSP)

42. Following the agreement of several member countries, a GSP Regional Adviser for the Pacific has been requested from the UNCTAD/UNDP GSP Project for
Asia and the Pacific. Such an adviser would be available on request to assist Governments and firms to take advantage of the benefits offered by the various GSP schemes. The subject is also to be covered in trade promotion training courses to be conducted under the Trade Promotion, Advisory Services and Training Project later this year.

43. A seminar for ACP Pacific countries was held at SPEC Headquarters in October 1981, at which the activities of the CID to promote industrial development in ACP countries were explained to the participants. The CID paid air fares and per diem to the participants, who comprised representatives from the private sector, Government officials and development finance institutions.

44. SPEC is now investigating with the CID ways to promote tripartite joint ventures between the EEC, Australia and New Zealand, and Forum Island country entrepreneurs so as to take advantage of market access provisions available under Lome II and SPARTECA.
Commonwealth Regional Consultative Group on Trade (CRCGT)

4. The co-ordinator of the Commonwealth Regional Consultative Group on Trade visited SPEC in April 1982 for discussions on the Group's work programme. As many of the issues of concern to the CRCGT overlap with work undertaken by SPEC, it remains important to closely co-ordinate the activities of the two bodies. SPEC will be represented at the CRCGT meeting scheduled to be held in Canberra in early July 1982.

CHOGRM Working Group on Industry

46. SPEC was represented at the second meeting of the CHOGRM Working Group on Industry in Port Moresby in December 1981. SPEC was asked to compile addresses of Chambers of Commerce in its member countries to circulate to members of the group in order to promote contact between the private sectors of each country: action has been initiated accordingly.

47. It is planned to hold a further meeting of this Working Group at SPEC Headquarters in late July 1982.
48. The Terminal Report of the Project's Findings and Recommendations has been published by SPEC and will soon be distributed. The Project has in addition resulted in three Quarantine publications [by Dr Stout] and three volumes of Technical Reports, with a further five volumes under preparation. This stage of the project will soon be completed. Further work will be sponsored under the 1982-86 UNDP Inter-Country Programme Project "Strengthening Plant Quarantine and Plant Protection Services": this will involve FAO and SPC, but not SPEC.

- **Handicrafts**

49. The Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation is being requested to provide a regional handicrafts adviser who would assist in aspects of marketing and production and the co-ordination of proposals and programmes relating to the handicrafts industry amongst SPEC Island member countries.

- **Regional Crop Insurance Scheme**

50. A request for SPEC to undertake a study on the concept of a regional crop insurance scheme
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was conveyed by the Solomon Islands Government in December 1981, on behalf of the Chief Executives of Development Banks of the South Pacific. Following consultations with member Governments, from which a further favourable response emerged, the Commonwealth Secretariat has been asked to provide funds for a study.

- Meeting with Delegation from the New Zealand Manufacturers Federation

51. A meeting between SPEC and a delegation from the New Zealand Manufacturers Federation took place in February to discuss, inter alia, SPARTECA and the New Zealand Manufacturers Federation's desire to establish contact with the private sectors of SPEC member countries. The need to promote co-operation between the private sectors of SPEC member countries is recognised and has been taken into account in planning SPEC's future work programme.

b) TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

52. Transport and Communications constitutes a major area of the SPEC work programme, scarcely less important than trade; and in particular the operation and financial situation of the Pacific Forum Line continue to
dominate SPEC's role in regional transport. While dependent on external expertise in these technical fields, SPEC is finding it necessary to allocate increased internal resources to deal adequately with transport and telecommunications matters, as it is clear that member Governments expect active SPEC involvement.

SHIPPING

- PFL Study/Special Regional Shipping Council Session

53. The study of PFL operations and management called for by the Forum at its Special Session in New Delhi in September 1980 was presented at the Twelfth South Pacific Forum in Port Vila, Vanuatu in August 1981. The study was undertaken for SPEC by the British firm of Touche Ross & Co., under CFTC funding. At the request of the Forum, a Special Session of the Regional Shipping Council, preceded by a meeting of shipping officials, was subsequently convened in Nauru on 2-3 October 1981 to consider the Report and to take appropriate follow-up action.

54. The Special Session of the Council accepted the Report and commended it for being highly professional and for having met the agreed Terms of Reference. The Council also endorsed the actions of the PFL Board and
Management to implement the consultants' recommendations regarding the Line's operations. It was further agreed that PFL Board and Management be encouraged to develop feeder services as identified in the Report at the earliest practical stage (and that in the meantime the Council and SPEC should explore other means of providing the funds required for a service to Kiribati and Tuvalu).

55. The Council made a number of decisions on the management of the Line in the light of the Report, and called for more detailed information on the Line for Council's consideration at its regular meetings. It was also decided that the practice of convening meetings of officials prior to Council meetings should be continued. Other structural issues were deferred for further consideration.

- PFL Container Purchases

56. The purchase by PFL of a substantial proportion of its container inventory was identified by the SPEC/CFTC Report as a factor critical for the Line's future viability.

57. The Line has been assisted in this respect by an Australian Government grant of A$1.5 million specifically for container purchase. These funds have been used to order containers which should be delivered
later this year. The Line should also benefit from the allocation of one million ECU from European Development Fund regional funds under Lome II, following the decision of ACP Pacific Group leaders at the 1981 Forum to designate to the project to assist the PFL a sufficiently high priority to ensure that it received funding from the total regional allocation. A project proposal to utilise this funding for the purchase of containers has been submitted to the EEC.

58. Further funding, however, is required for container purchases. Following the completion of the SPEC/CFTC Report, PFL Management identified an optimum container inventory for the Line, and, as directed by the Ninth Regional Shipping Council in June 1981, SPEC has pursued the possibility of funding the necessary purchases from potential aid donors. One such donor, the European Investment Bank (EIB) despatched a mission to the South Pacific in April 1982 to examine in more detail the container purchase proposal.

- PFL Feeder Services

59. Following advice from the Australian and New Zealand Governments that they would consider the provision of financial support to the operation by PFL of suitable feeder services to Kiribati and Tuvalu, detailed discussions were held between representatives
of those countries, PFL Management and SPEC leading to agreement on how such services could be operated. Accordingly, a proposal detailing the preferred services was submitted by SPEC in May 1982 to the Australian and New Zealand Governments for their consideration.

- **PFL Financial Situation**

60. Difficulties with funding PFL's past operational losses have persisted. The Nauru Special Session of the Shipping Council in October 1981 noted that despite cash contributions from Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands and a loan arranged by the Government of Nauru, the Line still faced a cash deficit situation. In the absence of further injections of funds, the Line was assisted in the period following the Special Council Session by increased overdraft facilities secured by the Government of New Zealand.

- **Tenth Regional Shipping Council**

61. When the Tenth Regional Shipping Council met in Rarotonga, Cook Islands in April 1982, the most important issue it faced was the financial position of the PFL. The Council session was preceded by a meeting of transport officials.
62. An improvement in the Line's financial performance was noted by the Council and the Line's Board and Management were commended for their efforts in achieving this. The Council also confirmed the South Pacific Forum's commitment to continue the operation of the Line, and addressed various available funding options.

63. The Council requested the Director a.i. of SPEC to formulate a proposal on the basis of the Council's deliberations, by which options for dealing with the Line's financial situation might be advanced, and considered by the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum. The Director a.i.'s proposal noted:

   a) that it was the feeling within the Council that the possibility of an European Investment Bank loan to Pacific member States of the ACP Group should be taken advantage of;

   b) that in order to do so, the most acceptable of the options for meeting the remaining financial requirements would be to adopt a definite three-year programme; and

   c) that in the light of country positions as stated, outstanding amounts each year over the three-year programme could be considered as within reach of Council members.
The Council agreed that the suggestions put forward formed a useful guide on which Governments might draw in formulating their positions for the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum.

64. The Council also considered and approved a number of recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Uniform Maritime Standards (see below).

65. The objectives and scope of a forthcoming UNDP/ADB South Pacific Regional Transport Survey were examined. Council decided that this study should address specific problems, particularly those of smaller Island countries and remote Islands; that emphasis should be given to providing information on traffic flows and cargo movements; that port facilitation and data relevant to appropriate vessel types for South Pacific services should be included; that PFL should be closely associated with the survey; and that a survey of civil aviation training courses and facilities should be included.

- Uniform Maritime Standards

66. The Fifth Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Uniform Maritime Standards was held in Kiribati in February 1982. The Committee continued its work of developing standards for the safe operation of vessels in the region and approving training courses and syllabuses
for various classes of officers, engineers and seamen. It noted that the contracts of two IMCO consultants who had assisted the Committee over recent years would expire by June 1982, and recommended to the Regional Shipping Council that SPEC be authorised to seek funds for the continuation of their work. This recommendation was accepted by the Tenth Regional Shipping Council, and SPEC has submitted a proposal accordingly to various possible funding agencies. The Council also accepted the Committee's recommendation to establish a regional training and examination system in order to rationalise the use of maritime training facilities available in the region.

CIVIL AVIATION

- Seventh Regional Civil Aviation Council

67. The Seventh Session of the Regional Civil Aviation Council was held in Rarotonga in April 1982. The Council reviewed recent developments in civil aviation in the region and the difficulties being experienced both by Island countries and the airlines that serve them. The Council also considered appropriate measures to promote increased co-operation and rationalisation of air services and operations in the South Pacific region.
68. The Council noted there was an urgent need to promote a greater degree of co-operation amongst airlines, and called on the Association of South Pacific Airlines (ASPA) to seek further rationalisation of services and facilities, so that the problem of over-capacity would not place an undue strain on the limited resources of Island countries.

69. To ensure that the long-term civil aviation needs of Island countries were met, the Council decided that a fundamental review was required to analyse the issues involved in ensuring the maintenance of a viable civil aviation industry to fully meet these needs. Accordingly, SPEC was requested to convene an expert group to draw up terms of reference for such a study, to be included in the presentation of the issue to the South Pacific Forum in August 1982.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- Eighth South Pacific Regional Telecommunications Meeting

70. The eighth annual South Pacific Regional Telecommunications Meeting was held in Sydney, Australia on 19-23 October 1981. The meeting, attended by sixteen countries and territories, reviewed the revised UNDP project documents for the Regional Telecommunications Training (RAS/81/025) and Regional Telecommunications
Development (RAS/81/026) Projects for the period 1982-1986. It was noted that a shortfall in UNDP funding would entail a reduction in the scale of both projects.

71. The meeting noted with particular concern the effect that reduced funds would have on the Telecommunications Development Project, and requested SPEC and ITU to actively investigate other sources of possible funding. The Australian Government was requested to extend its support for the project (and has subsequently done so).

72. The meeting also examined the telecommunication needs of each country, and noted the rapid growth in traffic levels experienced. The provision of services for the University of the South Pacific to continue its distance teaching programme after the expiration of the ATS-1 Satellite was considered and the meeting agreed on a leased circuit arrangement to be worked out by FINTEL, taking into account the views of users and telecommunications authorities. A Report on the Public Service Satellite Consortium study and a report on ITU developments were also presented to the meeting.

- South Pacific Rural Telecommunications Study

73. This study, to provide a basis for the development of national telecommunications systems
taking into account the various options available, commenced in November 1981 following signature of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of Australia, New Zealand, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and SPEC. Under the Memorandum SPEC acts as co-ordinator of a study team comprising two telecommunications experts from Australia and a third from New Zealand. The team is carrying out extensive field work and is scheduled to complete the study later this year. It will then present a report which will include recommendations encompassing both terrestrial and satellite options, together with a timetable for implementing its recommendations.

- Satellite Communication Seminar

74. A Satellite Communication Seminar/Workshop was held in Sydney on 26-28 October 1981, immediately following the Eighth Regional Telecommunications Meeting. The workshop considered the communication needs in remote and rural areas and how these needs might be satisfied with various combinations of alternative communication technologies. A case study of Australian experience was presented to exemplify the complementary application of satellite and terrestrial technology to a range of national services. The workshop provided a
basis for understanding the importance and the role which the South Pacific Rural Telecommunications Study would play in the development of telecommunications in the South Pacific.

- Pacific Basin Communications Study by PSSC

75. This study, undertaken by the Public Service Satellite Consortium (PSSC), was funded by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) of the US Department of Commerce and the US National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). It came about in part as a NASA response to the 1980 South Pacific Forum's decision to make known to international telecommunications institutions with responsibilities in the satellite area the wish of its Island member countries to join a suitable consortium for national satellite telecommunications, and in recognition of the need for further investigations in this area.

76. Phase I of the PSSC study produced a two volume Report which focussed on satellite options for the Pacific and the implications of a satellite communications system, including the possible future development of low cost small earth stations. The Report was presented and discussed at the Eighth South Pacific Regional Telecommunications Meeting in October 1981.
As a result of the favourable response to Phase I, NASA have agreed to proceed with Phase II of the study. This will focus on the practical application of satellite technology to the South Pacific region, including the assessment of communication flows and the level of telecommunications demand.

- Pacific Telecommunication Council
  (PTC)

77. SPEC was represented at the annual Conference of the Pacific Telecommunications Council held in Honolulu, Hawaii, in January 1982. The Conference provided a venue for the review of technologies appropriate to Pacific telecommunications development, and an occasion to present Pacific needs and perspectives to suppliers and international agencies. SPEC has, however, reduced its role in the PTC by withdrawing from the Board of Trustees, and will maintain links through corporate membership only.

- UNDP Regional Telecommunications Projects

  i) Telecommunications Training (RAS/81/025)

78. The objectives of this project are to provide telecommunication training facilities for Island countries especially in relation to more advanced
technology areas, and to extend basic training facilities to Kiribati and the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (TTPI).

79. For the period 1982-86, US$1,333,600 has been allocated to the project from UNDP regional funds. As noted in paragraph 70 above, this was a major reduction in the expected allocation, necessitating a revision in the scope of the project at the Seventh Regional Telecommunications Meeting last October. Financial inputs are also provided by all participating countries, as well as from Australia, New Zealand and the CFTC. The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) manages the project.

ii) Development of Telecommunications in the South Pacific (RAS/81/026)

80. The main objective of this project is to provide direct support for the development of adequate, efficient and reliable telecommunication services for South Pacific Island countries, taking into account the dynamics of new technologies and the emerging needs of the users. The project is largely advisory in nature and is managed by ITU. It also was severely affected by the reduction in UNDP funds allocated for the period 1982-86, and was revised at the Seventh Regional Telecommunications Meeting. The project will now rely more on short term consultancies as opposed to long term resident experts.
c) RESEARCH AND PLANNING

- Pacific Islands Fund

81. Following the decision of the Eleventh South Pacific Forum and the Twentieth South Pacific Conference, SPEC and SPC, in consultation with the Pacific Islands Development Programme (PIDP), commissioned a study into the concept of a Pacific Islands Development Bank/Fund. The resulting Report "Proposals for a Pacific Islands Fund - an Evaluation" was presented to the 1981 South Pacific Forum. The Forum, while noting that a joint study had been carried out as directed, agreed that due to the lack of time available prior to the Forum meeting the matter be referred back to Governments and be subsequently considered at the 1982 Forum meeting.

82. Detailed consideration was given to the Pacific Islands Fund Report at a meeting on the Special Problems of Smaller Island Countries convened by SPEC in Niue on 9-12 February 1982. This meeting agreed to recommend to the Thirteenth (1982) South Pacific Forum that a Pacific Islands Fund based broadly on the conclusions and recommendations of the Pacific Islands Fund Report be established.
The inaugural meeting of the ACP Pacific Group Council of Ministers was held in Suva, Fiji on 28-29 April 1982. This followed agreement at the Twelfth South Pacific Forum in Vanuatu in August 1981 that SPEC would provide secretariat services to the permanent Council.

The Council, after considering progress in developing the projects to be funded under the Lome II regional allocation, agreed to re-affirm with the EEC the projects as presently constituted and in the order of priority already submitted. The Council also agreed to seek additional funds from the Lome II allocation to ensure that all priority projects could be implemented. (The estimated total value of the projects is 29.4 million ECU, while the maximum EEC allocation for the Pacific is 25.9 million ECU.)

The Council also considered a number of issues regarding the future activities of the Pacific States within the African Caribbean and Pacific Group and certain ACP/EEC matters.

Of the regional projects funded from the Lome I regional allocation, of 10 million ECU, the
Telecommunications and Pacific Forum Line projects have been completed. The University of the South Pacific Project, involving agriculture, marine resources and rural development programmes will have fully utilised the funds available under the Lome I Convention by 31 December 1982. (An extension of the three programmes for a further five year period is being sought under the Lome II regional allocation.) Navigational equipment for Fua'amotu Airport in Tonga is at present being supplied. This project will be completed by August/September 1982.

Lome II Regional Projects

87. On 29 June 1981 the ACP Pacific Group presented to the EEC an agreed priority list of regional projects for funding under the Lome II Convention. Since July 1981 SPEC, as the appointed regional authorising office, has been actively involved in getting these projects underway. Delays have occurred, however, largely due to EEC procedures and the Commission's disagreement with the Pacific Group over certain aspects of some projects, as well as the need for preliminary studies of some project proposals.

88. The project involving the purchase of containers for the Pacific Forum Line is now awaiting the outcome of a concurrent loan request by PFL to the European Investment Bank (also to purchase containers). It is, however, the view of the Pacific Group that the project should proceed separately, and this has been conveyed by SPEC to the EEC.
89. The SPEC Capabilities Project is being utilised for consultancies to develop the Regional Energy Project and Regional Communication Facilities Project. The consultants have completed their field work on the energy project and their report should be available by August 1982. An expert is in the process of being appointed to develop the Regional Communication Facilities Project.

90. A financing proposal for the Regional Telecommunications Project has been submitted for approval; and the Forum Fisheries Agency Project is at present before the EEC for final approval.

91. As indicated under the heading 'Lome I Regional Projects', the University of the South Pacific research programmes which are being carried out under Lome I will continue, if funds are available, under Lome II.

92. In addition, consultancies have been appointed to develop a number of trade and tourism proposals for funding from the specific Trade Promotion Allocation available under the Lome II Convention.

- Pacific Regional Advisory Service

93. A Study Mission for a Pacific Regional Advisory Service (PRAS) visited the South Pacific in
April/May 1981. The Report of the Mission was considered by the pre-Forum SPEC Committee Meeting held in Port Vila, Vanuatu in August 1981. The subsequent meeting of the South Pacific Forum endorsed the SPEC Committee's recommendation that the Director of SPEC should undertake an analysis of the administrative and financial aspects of implementation of the proposed advisory service.

The SPEC analysis was completed and circulated to SPEC member countries before the convening of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting held in Melbourne in October 1981. The matter was also subsequently put forward for the consideration of the SPEC Committee Budget Session in December 1981. The Committee decided to establish the Pacific Regional Advisory Service and that the Head of the Service be appointed by the SPEC Committee at its Special Session in May 1982. At the same meeting, the Government of Australia offered up to A$40,000 to cover the establishment and recruitment costs for the PRAS.

The Special Session of the SPEC Committee in May 1982 appointed Dr Ako Toua of Papua New Guinea as Head of the PRAS. The Committee further agreed to take up an offer by the Commonwealth Secretariat to meet the costs of the Head of the Service. SPEC is examining ways in which funds for the operative Service Fund, to cover the costs of attachments under the PRAS, might be obtained.
96. At the pre-Forum SPEC Committee Meeting in Port Vila, August 1981 SPEC proposed the establishment of a small unit within the Bureau to concentrate on the special problems of the smaller Island countries. This proposal met with general support, and following approval from the December 1981 Budget Session of the SPEC Committee, a meeting was convened at Niue in February 1982 to develop an action plan for SPEC to pursue.

97. The meeting highlighted areas of trade and aid where SPEC could undertake activities to alleviate some of the special problems of the smaller Island countries. Accordingly, SPEC has designated a Project Officer position to deal with these activities, and the action plan will be followed once this post is filled.
7-11 June 1982. The Conference was designed as a forum for senior development planners to discuss issues of mutual concern and to formulate regional strategies, as well as to promote regional cooperation and contact with international development agencies active in this field.

- South Pacific Regional Environment Programme

99. During the period under review, Phase I of the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP) has been completed, and Phase II has commenced. The Co-ordinating Group of agencies involved in the Programme (SPEC, SPC, UNEP and ESCAP) has met at regular intervals, under the Chairmanship of SPEC, to oversee the Programme; while routine administration and implementation has been carried out by the South Pacific Commission through its regional ecological adviser.

100. A Technical Meeting of Experts was convened in Noumea on 22-26 June 1981 to review the major documents for the Ministerial-level Regional Conference on the Human Environment.

101. The Conference on the Human Environment was held in Rarotonga, Cook Islands between 8-12 March 1982 marking the conclusion of SPREP, Phase I. The
Conference considered and adopted a paper summarising the State of the Pacific Environment, a South Pacific Declaration on Natural Resources and the Environment, and an Action Plan for Managing the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific region.

102. On institutional arrangements for Phase II of the Programme, the Conference resolved that the Co-ordinating Group which managed Phase I be retained, as constituted; that the SPREP Regional Co-ordinator and Secretariat remain based at SPC; and that policy decisions on all substantive and financial matters related to the Action Plan should be made every two years by the South Pacific Forum and the South Pacific Conference. It was also agreed that initial priorities for the Action Plan should be submitted to the 1982 Forum and Conference.

103. Concerning financial contributions, Governments have been requested to make additional contributions to the SPC, earmarked for SPREP. The target figure for country contributions for 1983 was set at US$200,000.

104. The Institutional and Financial Arrangements will be presented to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum and the Twenty-Second South Pacific Conference for endorsement.
The Tenth Annual Session of the Committee for Co-ordination of Joint Prospecting for Mineral Resources in South Pacific Offshore Areas (CCOP/SOPAC) held in Port Vila, Vanuatu in October 1981 requested that SPEC investigate the options open to the Committee with regard to CCOP/SOPAC's future legal status, and identify the implications of the various options. SPEC was also requested to take note of the need to make long term arrangements for providing a Technical Secretariat for the Committee (CCOP/SOPAC), including the possibility of this being provided within the SPEC organisation.

SPEC was further asked to provide CCOP/SOPAC with the services of its Legal Officer to consolidate the CCOP/SOPAC Terms of Reference; and to establish and administer a trust fund to facilitate the operation of the CCOP/SOPAC Tripartite Geoscientific Survey.

These requests were considered by the SPEC Committee at its Budget Session in December 1981, and it was agreed that SPEC could assist in these matters. A further request that SPEC pursue the possibility of obtaining OPEC funds for the future operation of the CCOP/SOPAC programme was not approved.
108. Since last December the Terms of Reference for CCOP/SOPAC have been consolidated by ESCAP in close consultation with the Project Manager; and an alternative fund facilitation arrangement not involving SPEC has been implemented.

109. Concerning the options for CCOP/SOPAC's future legal status and the long-term arrangements for the Technical Secretariat, SPEC has examined a range of choices, and will report to the 1982 pre-Forum SPEC Committee meeting on the various implications.

Regional Legislative Drafting Unit

110. On the direction of the Twelfth South Pacific Forum, the 1981 SPEC Committee Budget Session considered a proposal to establish a regional legislative drafting unit. The Committee in turn decided that further consideration of the proposal by Governments was required, and that SPEC should consult Governments accordingly and bring the matter before the next scheduled session of the SPEC Committee for decision. SPEC was also asked to ascertain further the needs to be met by the service and to explore opportunities for the proposed service/unit to be financed by extra-budgetary sources.
111. Following this direction, SPEC has sought the views of member Governments on the proposal; and has raised with potential funding sources the possibility of meeting the costs of such a unit. The issue is to be considered at the SPEC Committee's pre-Forum Session in August 1982.

- Advisory Services for Development

112. This project, funded by ESCAP/UNDP, can serve as a useful mechanism for responding to requests from Island countries for assistance from SPEC personnel, or for acquiring the services of experts required by member Governments, for short-term activities. SPEC cannot, however, utilise the available funds except in response to requests from one or more member Government, and the project is in danger of being under-utilised.

113. During the period under review the project was used to cover the costs of the SPEC participant in the Japan Market Survey, the participation of the Trade and Marketing Officer at a Coconut Workshop held in the Solomon Islands (December 1981) and the attendance of a consultant at the Regional Coconut Industry Interests Meeting in March 1982.
114. Under this Scheme, with financial backing from the Governments of Australia and New Zealand and the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation, SPEC provides short-term practical training attachments, preferably in Island member countries, for nominees of Island Governments. The Scheme continues to prove popular, and SPEC is receiving an increasing number of applications for fellowships. The fellowship Scheme has been operating since 1977 and to date fifty-eight fellowships have been awarded, twenty-five in the last twelve months alone.

115. The following fellowships were taken up during the year:

- Two Police Officers from Cook Islands were awarded fellowships for 3½ weeks and 6 weeks training attachments with the French Polynesian and Fiji Police Forces respectively;

- A desk officer from the Papua New Guinea Foreign Affairs and Trade Department was awarded a fellowship for a one month attachment to SPEC Headquarters;

- A telecommunications officer from Tuvalu was awarded a fellowship for a 10 week in-service
training course with the Fiji Posts and Telecommunications Department;

- An officer from the Micronesian Maritime Authority, Federated States of Micronesia was awarded a fellowship for one month in New Zealand for instruction on pelagic fisheries data collection and observation techniques;

- An employee from a private company in Fiji was awarded a fellowship to undertake five weeks of training in Australia in microfiche and microfilm technology;

- An employee from a private company in Niue was sponsored for a three week course in sewing machine maintenance in New Zealand;

- An officer with the Ministry of Youth and Cultural Affairs of Solomon Islands was awarded a fellowship to attend a one month course in Social Welfare at the University of the South Pacific in Suva;

- An officer from the Office for Tokelau Affairs was awarded a fellowship to attend a two week course in financial management at the University of the South Pacific in Suva;
An officer from the Office for Tokelau Affairs was awarded a fellowship to attend a four week course in project planning in rural development at the University of the South Pacific in Suva.

In addition to the above, SPEC has recently approved the following:

- two requests from Tokelau; one for a course in financial management, another for a senior administrators and managers course;

- a request from Solomon Islands for a two month attachment of a quarantine officer to the Fiji Quarantine Service;

- two requests from Niue; one for training in bulk fuel operations with Burns Philp, Suva; the other for an attachment to the New Zealand Post Office for training in servicing country set radio telephones;

- two requests from Cook Islands; one for the attachment of a draughtsman trainee to the Ministry of Works, Fiji; and the other for the attachment of an officer to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Fiji;
two requests from Papua New Guinea for the attachment of two officers from the Papua New Guinea High Commission, Suva to the Papua New Guinea Foreign Affairs and Trade Department, Port Moresby;

- a request from Kiribati for an attachment in Federated States of Micronesia for training in fisheries surveillance and licensing.

The Fiji Customs and Excise Department is conducting a course in all aspects of customs and excise matters in August and September 1982. The course is designed for SPEC member Governments, and several participants will attend under the SPEC Fellowship Scheme. Member countries showed great interest in this course, and places have been reserved for Solomon Islands, Cook Islands, Vanuatu, Kiribati, Federated States of Micronesia, Tuvalu and Western Samoa.

The SPEC Fellowship Scheme is designed to provide two fellowships per country per year. However, SPEC is prepared to consider additional fellowships based on the merits of the applications received, especially in the case of the smaller Island countries.

The Trust Fund as at 30 April 1982 stood at $20,966.
- Regional Disaster Relief Fund

120. At its Budget Session in December 1981 the SPEC Committee was informed that it was no longer necessary for member countries to contribute to the SPEC Disaster Relief Fund, as the target level of $500,000 had virtually been reached and the Fund had become self-sustaining. The Committee also approved an increase in the level of disbursements from F$10,000 to F$15,000.

121. Following the severe damage sustained by the Kingdom of Tonga in the wake of Cyclone Isaac in March 1982, SPEC contributed F$15,000 for relief and rehabilitation activities.

122. The level of the Fund currently stands at $490,813.

- SPEC Series

123. Under this UNDP project, a series of country economic profiles covering SPEC Island members is being prepared by the Asia Pacific Research Unit. SPEC has general control and oversight. Progress on the project is continuing slowly.
124. The Twelfth South Pacific Forum meeting in August 1981 considered several possible measures to commemorate the Tenth Anniversary of the South Pacific Forum. It was decided that SPEC should produce a booklet to mark the occasion, and that member countries would consider issuing stamps.

125. Other priority activities have delayed the work on the SPEC publication, but with assistance from the Australian Information Service it is hoped that a booklet will soon be finalised. The issue of commemorative stamps has been left entirely to individual member countries.

d) **ENERGY**

- Regional Energy Co-ordination/
  SPEC Energy Section

126. The Twelfth South Pacific Forum in 1981 received and considered a Report on Energy Co-ordination and Energy Information Dissemination in the South Pacific Region, which had been commissioned by SPEC as a result of an earlier Forum decision. The Report's recommendations were accepted by the Forum; including that SPEC
should assume overall responsibility for the co­ordination of regional energy matters. To do this it was concluded that SPEC should accord priority to establishing a two­man Energy Section within the Bureau.

127. The Energy Section, consisting of one physicist and one economist, has since been established with extra­budgetary financial assistance from the Australian Government.

- **Pacific Energy Programme (PEP)**

128. As a first step in fulfilling its co­ordinating role, SPEC convened a meeting at its Headquarters on 2 September 1981 of organisations concerned with the preparation and implementation of regional energy activities under the UNDP and the EEC Pacific regional energy programmes, plus the East­West Center (EWC) which is conducting a study on petroleum pricing and distribution in the region. The purpose of the meeting was to co­ordinate the preparatory steps in these programmes so as to avoid duplication and to minimise the demand in time and resources on Island countries.

129. The meeting agreed to combine three separate activities into a composite Pacific Energy
Programme preparatory project. These were:

i) a UNDP funded mission to assess the countries' energy situations and prepare a project document for funding under the UNDP Inter-country Programme 1982-1986;

ii) an EEC funded mission to examine requests and identify the requirements for each of the pilot projects of the Lome II Regional Programme; and

iii) the EWC petroleum products pricing and distribution survey.

- PEP Preparatory Mission

SPEC has been actively involved in all stages of the planning of a joint preparatory mission combining the activities listed in the preceding paragraph, and in particular in the gathering of information and the preparation of background national energy pre-mission papers. Between March and mid-June 1982 the joint mission, led by Dr K. Newcombe, and including either the SPEC Senior Energy Officer or Energy Officer, visited most SPEC Island countries. The consultants spent about one week in each country holding discussions with Government officials and surveying each country's
energy situation, culminating in the preparation of recommendations for action under the various programmes.

- **PEP Review Meeting**

131. The draft Reports of the joint mission will be distributed by SPEC to the countries concerned by August 1982, and towards the end of September SPEC, in co-operation with ESCAP, will convene a meeting in Suva to review and revise these reports. Project proposals for funding under the UNDP and EEC regional programmes will also be finalised at the above meeting.

- **Review of Renewable Energy Sources**

132. The Energy Section is currently preparing a guide to the principles of the full range of renewable energy sources, which should be especially useful for energy planners in the region.

- **Energy Liaison**

133. SPEC is liaising closely with other organisations carrying out energy activities in the region, including the South Pacific Commission (SPC), the Economic
and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), Asian Development Bank (ADB), the Pacific Islands Development Programme (PIDP), the CHOGRM Working Group on Energy, and the Commonwealth Regional Renewable Energy Resources Information System (CRRERIS).

- Forum Approach to OPEC

134. The Twelfth South Pacific Forum discussed a paper presented by the Government of Western Samoa on the problems created for small economies by rising oil prices, and considered the question of an approach by the Island countries of the Pacific to the OPEC States to seek assistance to offset such cost increases. It was decided to defer further consideration to the Melbourne CHOGM meeting in September 1981. Energy issues were considered in detail at the CHOGM meeting, but no further decisions were taken with regard to the Forum OPEC approach.
135. The Twelfth South Pacific Forum was held in Port Vila, Vanuatu on 10–11 August 1981. All Forum member countries were represented. The Prime Minister of Vanuatu, the Hon Fr W.H. Lini, CBE chaired the meeting.

136. The Forum considered the question of self-determination and independence for non self-governing Pacific Island countries, and decided to send a delegation, led by a Forum Head of Government, to Paris to meet with President Mitterrand of the French Republic and to discuss with him the question of the evolution of the French Government's policies with respect to the progress towards decolonisation of the people of the French Pacific territories.

137. The Forum also passed a Resolution concerning the dangers of nuclear testing and dumping in the Pacific, and a Resolution on the question of regional security. Commonwealth matters, and a Soviet proposal to carry out a geophysical oceanographic survey in the region, were reviewed. The Forum agreed to the convening of a
special SPEC Committee session to assess the desirability or otherwise of their members continuing to participate in both SPEC and SPC and to make recommendations to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum on the implications of a single effective regional organisation.

138. Other issues considered by the Forum included a number of developments in regional cooperation (including the Pacific Islands Fund), energy matters, regional transport, the SPARTECA Agreement and fisheries.

- SPEC Committee

139. The 1981 pre-Forum SPEC Committee meeting was held in Port Vila, Vanuatu on 5-7 August 1981. The Committee reviewed the Bureau's Work Programme, and endorsed the Director's Annual Report for 1980/81 for Forum approval. The meeting was chaired by Solomon Islands.

140. The 1981 Budget Session of the SPEC Committee was held at SPEC Headquarters, Suva on 2-3 December 1981, chaired by Tonga. The Committee considered and approved the 1982 SPEC Work Programme and Budget. The Budget will be presented to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum for approval.
141. A Special Session of the SPEC Committee was held at SPEC Headquarters on 10-11 May 1982 to consider the single regional organisation issue, as directed by the South Pacific Forum (see also paras 143-145 below).

- **SPEC Meetings**

142. During the period under review, SPEC organised and serviced twenty-seven meetings, which are listed at Annex 1. In addition, the Director and professional officers have attended a wide range of work programme-related meetings convened by other agencies.

- **Single Regional Organisation**

143. In accordance with the directives of the Twelfth South Pacific Forum and the SPEC Committee, the Bureau prepared papers to assist a Special Session of the SPEC Committee to assess the desirability or otherwise of Forum members continuing to participate in both SPC and SPEC, and to consider the implications of a single effective regional organisation. A Steering Committee of Forum country officials assisted in guiding the Secretariat in its preparations.
144. Preparation of the documentation (SPEC(82)SSC.4 Parts I and II) proved to be a major task. The study examined the background to the establishment of the SPC and the Forum/SPEC, and earlier rationalisation moves. A detailed comparison of SPC and SPEC was presented, covering Structure, Membership and Scope, Work Programme/Activities, Finance, Personnel and Administration and Headquarters/Capital Infrastructure. The papers also canvassed the options for a single regional organisation and the implications inherent in each option.

145. The documents were presented to a Special Session of the SPEC Committee which met at SPEC Headquarters on 10-11 May 1982. In the light of the SPEC material, and a paper on 'A Single Regional Organisation for the Pacific' submitted by the Government of Papua New Guinea, the Special Session compiled a report to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum.

b) REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA)

146. SPEC maintains close and harmonious relations with the Forum Fisheries Agency in Honiara. A SPEC representative attended the Forum Fisheries Committee
Meeting on 29 April-5 May 1982; and the Director of the Forum Fisheries Agency attended, in an observer capacity, the SPEC Committee Special Session on a Single Regional Organisation held at SPEC Headquarters on 10-11 May 1982.


- South Pacific Commission (SPC)

148. Relations between SPEC and SPC during the period under review have been marked by close cooperation in the compilation of material for the SPEC Committee Special Session on a Single Regional Organisation. The SPC Secretary General generously made available SPC facilities to the SPEC study team preparing documentation on this issue.

149. At the working level joint activities have continued in respect of the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme, the Price Stabilisation Feasibility Study, Regional Development Planning, the Pacific Islands Fund Study, and the Pacific Regional Energy Programme.

150. The Director of SPEC attended the Twenty-first South Pacific Conference in Port Vila in October
1981; and the SPC Secretary General attended, as an observer, the SPEC Committee Budget Session in December 1981. The SPEC Deputy Director will attend the 1982 SFC Planning and Evaluation Meeting in Noumea in late June, and more formal consultations between the Heads of both organisations are scheduled for later this year. On several occasions throughout the period under review, consultations have taken place between senior officers of the two organisations.

151. I would like to take the opportunity to record in this Report SPEC's thanks to the outgoing SPC Secretary General, the Hon Young Vivian, for his continued co-operation which greatly enhanced the goodwill between both organisations during his term of office.

152. SPEC co-operates closely with the University of the South Pacific in areas of mutual interest and the staff of both organisations continue to exchange information and views on regional matters. The late Director of SPEC delivered the keynote address at the University during its "Pacific Week" programme in September 1981.
SPEC maintains close contact with the Administrator and staff of the Pacific Islands Development Programme, East-West Center, Hawaii, on activities which concern both organisations, such as the Pacific Energy Programme, the SPEC Series, the Pacific Islands Fund and the Pacific Regional Advisory Service. The Standing Committee of PIDP met by satellite on 24 April 1982 and on that occasion SPEC furnished the Committee with a written report on SPEC projects in which the Committee was interested.

c) INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES

- Commonwealth Secretariat/Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation (CFTC)

SPEC is pleased to record the continuing close and co-operative relations between the Bureau and the Commonwealth Secretariat/Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation. In August 1981 SPEC secured the services of an officer funded by CFTC to work on Lome I and Lome II regional projects. Funding was also provided by CFTC for the Study on Closer Economic Co-operation Among Island Members of SPEC, and the
Investigation into Market Opportunities in Japan and the USA. During the period under review the Commonwealth Secretariat provided additional funds for the completion of the Touche Ross Report on the Pacific Forum Line and undertook to meet the costs of the Head of the Pacific Regional Advisory Service. SPEC currently has several further requests for assistance with the Commonwealth Secretariat.

155. The Commonwealth Secretariat also sponsored a programme of exchange visits during 1981 among senior officers of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), the Economic Community for West African States (ECOWAS) and SPEC. Under this programme, SPEC's Research Officer undertook an attachment to ECOWAS from 22 September to 3 October 1981.

- Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)

156. Further to the decision of the Twelfth South Pacific Forum to maintain dialogue with ASEAN at the Secretariat level, the Director and Research Officer visited Jakarta, Indonesia on 24–26 August 1981 and held useful discussions with the ASEAN Central Secretariat and the ASEAN National Secretariat of Indonesia. The SPEC representatives identified a number of opportunities in the areas of trade, shipping, fish products, energy and investment for possible closer
co-operation with ASEAN. The SPEC proposals were considered by the Twelfth Meeting of ASEAN Economic Ministers in January 1982, which in turn directed the various ASEAN economic committees to further explore the possibilities for expanding co-operation between ASEAN and the South Pacific Forum.

- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

157. SPEC continues to maintain harmonious relations with the UNDP, through its office in Suva, on regional projects jointly handled by both organisations. These include the ITC/UNDP-SPEC Trade Promotion, Advisory Services and Training Project, the Pacific Regional Energy Programme, and the forthcoming Regional Transport Survey.

- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

158. Relations between SPEC and ESCAP have continued to centre upon co-operation in regional programmes such as the Industrial Survey of the South Pacific, the Pacific Regional Energy Programme and the Short-term Advisory Services Project.
159. SPEC sent an observer to the 38th Session in Bangkok in March 1982, and also participated in an Orientation programme for Pacific Island trainees sponsored by ESCAP in March/April 1982. Visits have been made to SPEC by various ESCAP personnel, including the ESCAP Pacific Liaison Officer, Mr Paula Sotutu. SPEC will make its conference facilities available for two ESCAP-s sponsored regional meetings later this year.

- European Communities (EC)

160. The involved procedures for the implementation of regional aid projects funded by the EC require SPEC to maintain close and continuous contact with the Suva office of the Delegate of the Commissioner of the European Communities. The appointment of an officer attached to SPEC (under CFTC funding) to deal full-time with EC projects has been of considerable benefit to the Bureau.

161. Contact direct with the Commission in Brussels is also desirable to ensure the effective utilisation of aid provided to the region under the Lome Convention. An EC mission led by one of the Commission's Deputy Director-Generals visited the Pacific in November 1981 to discuss progress in the development of projects to be funded under the Lome II Regional Allocation; and a European Investment Bank (EIB) mission visited the
Pacific in April 1982 to analyse a loan request from PFL to purchase containers. The Director a.i. is scheduled to visit Brussels in mid-June to take up directly with the Commission issues arising out of the ACP Pacific Group Council of Ministers meeting held in April 1982.

- African Caribbean and Pacific Secretariat (ACP)

162. SPEC, as the secretariat to the ACP Pacific Group Ministerial Council is endeavouring to develop closer contact with the ACP Secretariat. This will ensure that the Council can be adequately informed on issues raised within the ACP. The Deputy Director attended the ACP Council of Ministers meeting in Maseru, Lesotho, in December 1981 in an observer capacity. This provided SPEC with a better understanding of the matters raised within the ACP and between the ACP and the EC, as well as preparing the ground for the first ACP Pacific Group Council of Ministers meeting.

- United Nations Development Advisory Team (UNDAT)

163. Close co-operation continues with the United Nations Development Advisory Team based in Suva. UNDAT plays a valuable role through its responsiveness to ad hoc
requests for assistance, and has worked particularly closely with SPEC on the Pacific Regional Energy Programme.

- **International Telecommunications Union (ITU)**

164. During the period under review SPEC has again drawn extensively on the technical skills and knowledge of the ITU projects personnel based in Suva, whose assistance has been invaluable in developing regional telecommunications.

- **Other Organisations**

165. SPEC continues to work closely with a wide range of international agencies concerned with aspects of Pacific regional development, and acknowledges the valuable contributions made by such bodies as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the World Bank (IBRD) and the Inter-governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation (IMCO).
166. SPEC maintains cordial relations with a number of non-member countries with interests in the South Pacific region, largely in the form of consultations covering regional developments. This has included representatives from countries such as Japan, China, the United States, France, the United Kingdom, Malaysia, Canada and West Germany. In this way, SPEC is able to assist in developing awareness of the region and its priorities.

167. In the period under review there has also been some contact with non-independent Island countries in the region, mainly in the context of the Pacific Energy Programme, the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme and the meeting at SPEC Headquarters of Senior Development Planners.
PART III : ADMINISTRATION

- Budget and Finance

168. The total agreed 1982 SPEC Budget amounts to F$919,905, consisting of F$891,255 for Ordinary Expenditure (including F$50,000 extra-ordinary expenditure for the Forum Mission to Paris) and F$28,650 for Capital Expenditure. The actual budget of F$869,905 represents an increase of 12.58% over 1981 (F$772,655), a year in which the increase was 15.01% over 1980, and is the lowest percentage increase in five years.

169. The SPEC budget has been maintained at a reasonable level through continuing the trend of recent years towards procurement of funding from external sources for both major projects and for SPEC equipment. In particular, the Australian Government has assisted in 1982 by providing A$50,000 (F$48,350) for assisting Island delegates attend SPEC meetings, F$12,655 for the purchase of a new word processor/mini-computer, and F$66,280 to fund the new SPEC Energy Section. The New Zealand Government contributed NZ$25,000 (F$18,085) towards the costs of the Smaller Island Countries meeting held in Niue in February 1982. Other major assistance has been obtained through the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation, UNIDO/DSE and UNDP/ESCAP. Wherever possible, the Bureau has made use of its
headquarters facilities for regional meetings, has rationalised travel commitments and has concentrated its resources on regional activities.

170. The budget reflects the expanded work programme, with special emphasis on trade and industrial development, transport and communications, and energy.

171. The 1982 budget was approved by the SPEC Committee Budget Session in December 1981, and will be presented to the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum meeting for formal approval, in accordance with Article IX of the SPEC Agreement.

- Library and Information Services

172. Through a full-time Librarian/Assistant Research Officer, employed since late August 1981, the SPEC library has been re-organised and expanded to fulfil more effectively the regional information role for which it was intended. The Librarian has been updating and organising the library, setting up library procedures and collecting documents to fill gaps in the collection.

173. The subject coverage of the SPEC library collection follows the areas of activity in the work
programme. The library contains a full set of SPEC working papers and documents which are available for consultation by member Governments and bona fide researchers.

174. A comprehensive and up-to-date collection of member countries' statistical publications and development plans are also available in the library. ESCAP and UNCTAD documents are kept, and 318 serial titles are received regularly. Attempts are being made to collect and acquire consultants' reports from member countries and relevant reports from international organisations, so that SPEC can maintain an effective information collection.

175. Under the ITC project RAS/79/017, Trade Promotion, Advisory Services and Training, SPEC has agreed to establish a Regional Trade Information Centre with the assistance of ITC. The Trade Information Centre will be merged with the SPEC library. Developments are at a very early stage as yet, but SPEC is starting to receive documentation provided under this project. The project will also provide library equipment and an Assistant for a short period, who will assist in organising the trade documentation.
- **SPEC Headquarters Building**

176. **At its meeting in August 1981, the South Pacific Forum noted a proposal to construct a new office block at SPEC Headquarters to meet the increasing needs of the Bureau. It was also noted that Fiji had agreed to make available further land adjacent to the site of the present offices if required; and Australia and New Zealand had indicated they would view sympathetically SPEC's requirements. Subsequently, at the December 1981 SPEC Committee Budget Session Australia announced that it was willing to finance a full design study and site plans. The preliminary designs for a building have since been drawn up for examination by the Australian authorities, but the full design study has not yet been carried out. New Zealand has indicated willingness to consider equipping the new building. It is hoped that the building programme might commence later this year.**

- **Staffing**

   i) **Obituary**

177. SPEC records with deep regret the death of its second Director, Dr Gabriel B. Gris, CBE, who died on 13 March 1982 in Rarotonga, Cook Islands while attending the Conference on the Human Environment.
178. Dr Gris, a Papua New Guinea national, was appointed on 16 February 1980. He had previously held several senior appointments in his Government's service, including Vice-Chancellor of the University of Papua New Guinea and Permanent Secretary of the Department of Decentralisation. His death was a great tragedy for his country and for the region. Dr Gris is survived by his wife and five children.

ii) Directorate

179. Following the death of Dr Gris, Forum Leaders, through the Chairman of the Twelfth South Pacific Forum, the Hon Fr Walter H. Lini, appointed Mr Jon P. Sheppard, the Deputy Director to be Director ad interim pending a decision on a replacement for Dr Gris, to be taken by the Thirteenth South Pacific Forum.

180. Dr Peter Adams of the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Wellington took up his appointment as Deputy Director on 16 May 1982. Dr Adams has served as First Secretary in New Zealand's Mission to the United Nations, New York; Assistant Head, European Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and, prior to joining SPEC, was Assistant Head of the South Pacific Division.
iii) Professional Staff

181. Mr Ron Hegerhorst, Trade Commissioner in the South Pacific Trade Commission in Sydney, completed his three years' term on 16 May 1982.

182. Mr John E.C. Franklin of New Zealand completed his three years' contract as Trade and Marketing Officer, on 16 April 1982.

183. Mr A.V. Sale'imoa Va'ai, originally appointed as a Project Officer on 1 April 1978, and Legal Officer with effect from 16 April 1979, completed his contract (after a short extension) on 31 December 1981.

184. Dr Anthony D. Weir took up appointment as Senior Energy Officer with effect from 13 April 1982 for a period of three years. Dr Weir holds a PhD from Cambridge University (1973). Prior to his appointment with SPEC, he was Lecturer in Physics at USP, and has also been involved with research in the development of devices to harness renewable energy supplies.

185. Miss Rosemary Cassidy took up appointment as Librarian/Assistant Research Officer with effect from 26 August 1981. Before joining SPEC Miss Cassidy was Librarian in charge of the Mt. Stromlo Observatory.
Library (which is part of the Australian National University), and is an associate of the Library Association of Australia. Miss Cassidy holds a BA degree from the Australian National University.

186. Mr Charles Stephen Vete, who was appointed Project Officer on 5 September 1979, has been appointed to act as Trade and Industry Officer (formerly the position designated as Trade and Marketing Officer) as from 17 April 1982, and will become substantive holder of the position as from September 1982.

187. Mr Tommy Scanlan who was appointed as a Project Officer on 9 January 1981 is working as Energy Officer in the Energy Section of the Bureau established in January 1982.

188. Mr Garry Wiseman took up appointment as Project Officer responsible for EEC Lome II projects on 3 August 1981 for a period of two years. Before joining SPEC, Mr Wiseman was employed in the Department of Trade and Resources, Canberra. His position is funded by the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation.

189. Mr Gerard Linge, who obtained his Bachelor of Laws Degree from the University of Papua New Guinea, was appointed Legal Officer with effect from 27 December 1981. Prior to his appointment, Mr Linge was an officer in the State Solicitor's Office of the Department of Justice in Papua New Guinea.
190. Miss Nancy Lochan who worked in the Fiji Public Service as an Executive Officer and lately was on study leave at USP, has been appointed as Assistant Research Officer with effect from June 1982.

191. Mr Koronita To'o, from the Prime Minister's Department in Western Samoa, was appointed Project Officer with effect from June 1982 for a period of three years. He is a BA graduate from the University of the South Pacific.

192. A current SPEC staff list appears as Annex 2.
CONCLUSION

193. I believe the foregoing material amply demonstrates that over the past twelve months the Bureau has been actively occupied in attempting to fulfil its mandate and in pursuing the interests of its member countries. It has not been an easy period for SPEC as we have had a full and challenging work programme, as well as a number of staffing gaps. The field of SPEC activities also continues to expand. Moreover, during the last year the operations of all regional institutions have been under close scrutiny, due to the stringent economic circumstances throughout the South Pacific and the trend towards closer evaluation of the goals of regional co-operation.

194. In this light, within the Bureau we have attempted to concentrate our resources on those issues of major regional concern, and are satisfied that progress has been made in important areas such as shipping, energy, telecommunications and trade expansion. While much attention continues to be directed to such issues, SPEC has also closely examined its original mandate and during the period under review has launched a number of initiatives in keeping with the Bureau's stated objectives, such as in development planning and tourism.

195. The Bureau has reorganised its own resources to meet the changing pattern of regional priorities.
At the same time every effort has been made to retain the unique regional character and level of responsiveness to Island requirements, which is a feature of the Bureau. We have also held budget costs down, against a background of inflation and an expanding work programme.

Although the Bureau has been able to fulfil the majority of its tasks satisfactorily, yet it is becoming increasingly apparent that the policy/advisory side of SPEC is not functioning as originally intended, due I believe, largely to the growth of the practical, or functional - including secretarial - workload. If SPEC is to fulfil its policy role, it will soon be timely to institute structural changes, particularly at the senior, directorate level.

Finally, I should like to record my appreciation for the support given by member Governments in their understanding of the Bureau's work and objectives, especially in the unprecedented circumstances of the sudden death of our Director, Dr Gabriel Gris, earlier this year. It is the support of member Governments which makes the Bureau an effective instrument for regional co-operation, encourages the Secretariat and ensures the achievement of regional development goals.

Suva
1 June 1982
# Annex 1

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LEGAL OFFICER
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PROJECT OFFICER
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Mr Gyan Singh, OBE
Mr Ikipa Tongatule
Mr Steven Vete
Dr Anthony Weir
Mr Gerard Linge
Mr Tommy Scanlan
Ms Fiu William
Mr Paul Gini
Mr Frank Miro
Mr Garry Wiseman
Miss Rosemary Cassidy

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CONFERENCE OFFICER
SECRETARY
PERSONAL ASSISTANT
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TYPIST
TYPIST/TELEX OPERATOR

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