

REPUBLIC OF FIJI
MILITARY FORCES



Annual Report 2021-2022

This report contains a summary of activities for the
Republic of Fiji Military Forces for 2021-2022

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Foreword

It is with great pride that I present the annual report of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces for the year 2021-2022. This report is a testament to the dedication, courage, and professionalism of our servicemen and women who continue to place themselves in harm's way to protect our Nation and its interests.

The past year has been a year of transition for the RFMF. With the transition of leadership, the RFMF has also faced a range of complex and evolving threats, from the global pandemic to transnational, maritime and climate security.



CRFMF MESSAGE

Despite these challenges, the RFMF has remained steadfast in its commitment to protecting our country and promoting peace and stability around the world.

Through its various operations, both at home and abroad, the military has demonstrated its ability to adapt to changing circumstances and to achieve its objectives with precision and efficiency. Whether it is providing humanitarian aid and disaster relief, COVID response and support operations or participating in peacekeeping missions, our military has always been at the forefront of the fight.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all the men and women of the RFMF who have served with distinction over the past year. Your unwavering commitment to duty and your willingness to put your lives on the line for our country is a source of inspiration to us all.

Finally, I would like to extend my thanks to the families of our servicemen and women, who provide invaluable support and sacrifice. Your unwavering support is greatly appreciated, and we recognize the sacrifices that you make on a daily basis.

In closing, I am honored to present this annual report. I hope that this report serves as an accurate reflection of the great work that our military does day in and day out, and that it inspires others to continue to support our brave men and women in uniform.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jone Kalouniwai'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

JONE KALOUNIWAI
Major General Commander RFMF
December 2023

Our Mandate

The RFMF as an organization of government, is mandated by law in the 2013 Fiji Constitution, Chapter Six, Part B, Section 131.

Additionally, the RFMF's operations are guided by regulations stipulated in the following Acts and Policies but not limited to:

- A. RFMF ACT CAP 81;
- B. QUEEN'S REGULATION 1955;
- C. RFMF VOL 1 & 2;
- D. FIJI FINANCIAL REGULATIONS;
- E. GENERAL ORDERS;
- F. NDMO ACT;
- G. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION DECREE 2009;
- H. FIJI NATIONAL OCEANS POLICY;
- I. CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY; and
- J. UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING CONVENTION



His Excellency The President of Fiji
is the Commander in Chief of the Republic of Fiji
Military Forces



Who Are We



A modern professional military force that stands ready to defend Fiji and its interests. Fiji's contribution to global peace and security provide the basis for the nation's security in the region and globally as a member of the world community.

As such we have a proud history of contributing to global efforts to resolving conflicts through our participation in the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations.

We are a credible defence partner committed to peace and security, and work diligently with partners regionally and internationally through defence cooperation, to ensure that we can operate on a level of mutual understanding and common interests.

We are a force that recognizes the immediate threat of climate change and have remodeled ourselves to meet the growing challenges of combating the effects of climate change in our region. The RFMF, as an arm of government, comes under the Ministry of Defence.



Vision & Mission

Vision

The RFMF has a responsibility to offer the military capacity needed for the Fiji government to accomplish its objectives. The RFMF must be prepared and be able to deliver an effective and efficient force at its highest state of readiness in order for the Fiji government to achieve its defense and national security goals. In order to achieve this ability, the RFMF as an organization must avail itself to professional training and upgrading of its current equipment to complement the needs and challenges of current and future security and humanitarian tasks.

Mission

- To work in close cooperation and partnership with Fiji government agencies in relativity to our primary role and responsibilities.
- To work in close partnership with our defence partners in the region to protect our Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).
- To contribute to regional security partnerships through our capacity building and assistance in humanitarian and disaster relief operations.



Our Team



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Major General J. Kalouniwai
Commander



Commodore H. Tawake
Deputy Commander



Brigadier General S. Motufaga
Chief of Staff

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Brigadier General M. Gadai
Commander
Joint Task Force Command



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Brigadier General O. Covunisaga
Commander
Land Forces Command



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COMMANDER M. Vosawale
Commander
Maritime Forces Command



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Lieutenant Colonel V. Leva
Chief of Staff
Territorial Forces Brigade



8

Colonel S. Vanalagi
Commander
Training Command

Strategic Priorities



1 Climate Change

The effects of climate change transcends borders. The major cause for concern for RFMF is the rising sea levels and its implications for the region.

2 Regional Cooperation & Security

The 2018 BOE Declaration on Regional Security recognizes the Pacific Islands area as confronting an increasingly complex regional security environment driven by various security issues. This begs the question of how the RFMF might respond to these diverse but sometimes interconnected challenges, as well as what role regional collaboration will play.



Strategic Priorities



3 Peacekeeping

In lieu of the evolving security landscape in the peacekeeping space, the RFMF will improve its performance by working with bilateral partners to strengthen capacities, preparedness, skills, and overall performance as it transitions to a more robust strategy in peacekeeping operations.

4 Terrorism

Advancement in information technology creates space for spread of global terror in all facets of societal, economic & political life. RFMF will need to build its information capacity to effectively combat terror in this space.



Key Investment Areas



1

Capability Development

Develop and balance organizational capabilities to effectively meet core outcomes when responding to emerging security conditions in a complex security environment.

2

Deployability & Force Modernisation

Build and hold force elements, effective management of financial requirements, personnel and equipment readiness.



Key Investment Areas



3

Strategic Reach & Operational Sustainment

Deploy Joint Task Force Groups, conduct and sustain operations within Fiji's maritime space and regional partners.

4

Command & Control and Situational Awareness

Integrated communication and information space to enhance situational awareness and enable effective command and control.



Key Investment Areas



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Relevant Modernisation Frameworks

Desired long term strategic outcome nested in RFMF Strategic Plan 2022 and Beyond, a competent force capable of joint/integrated operations with defence partners utilizing host nation platforms.

Summary of Key Investment Areas

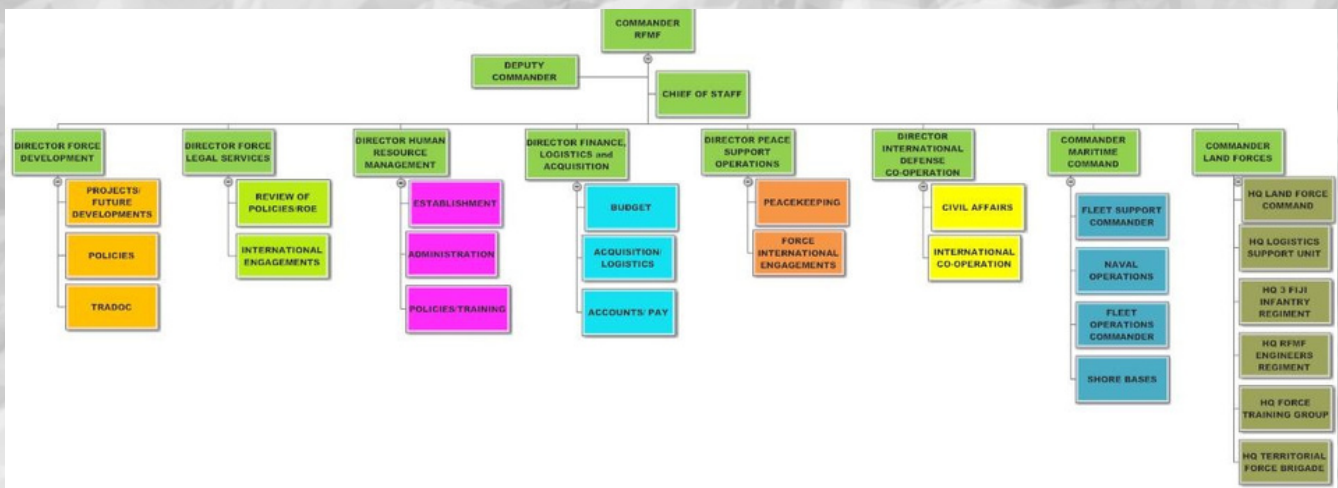
- The RFMF key investment areas is a milestone objective and one which needs to be achieved.
- What the RFMF lacks for in equipment, it makes up for in training and knowledge gained.
- To this end, the RFMF continues to invest in training and joint exercise with its defence partners in the region and internationally.



Our Organization

The RFMF organization is divided into three tiers;

- a. **Tier One** - Headquarters RFMF;
- b. **Tier Two** - Directorates; and
- c. **Tier Three** - Command Formations



The Tier One element comprises the offices of the Commander, Deputy Commander and Chief of staff. The Tier Two element comprises the following Directorates:

- a. Directorate of Human Resource Management;
- b. Directorate of Force Capability & Development;
- c. Directorate of International Defence Cooperation;
- d. Directorate of Intelligence; and
- e. Directorate of Finance & Logistics.

The Tier Two elements are under the purview of the Chief of Staff Headquarters RFMF



The Tier Three element comprise the Command Formations:

- a. Joint task Force Command;
- b. Land Forces Command;
- c. Maritime Forces Command;
- d. Territorial Forces Brigade Command; and
- e. Training Command.

All Tier 3 Command Formations are under command of their respective command elements and all are under the purview of the Chief of Staff Headquarters RFMF. In terms of strategic and operational level matters, only the Commander Joint Task Force Command may report directly to the Commander RFMF.

Our People

HEAD 19: RFMF	UNITS	ESTABLISHED STRENGTH	POSTED STRENGTH
	STRATEGIC HEADQUARTERS		
	LAND FORCES COMMAND		
	TERRITORIAL FORCES BRIGADE		
	FORCE TRAINING GROUP	2628	2357
	NAVY		
	HYDROGRAPHIC DEPARTMENT	384	440
	1 ST BATTALION UNITED NATIONS IRAQ		
	1 ST BATTALION UNITED NATIONS SYRIA		
	2 ND BATTALION MFO SINAI, EGYPT		
HEAD 49: RFMF	UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER MISSIONS	968	495
	JOINT TASK FORCE COMMAND	47	85
TOTAL		4027	3377

The RFMF has a total established strength of 4027 personnel, yet is currently operating with a posted strength of 3377. To mitigate against the annual attrition rate or retiring age requirement, the RFMF conducts two recruitment drives in a year in order to ensure the replenishment of rank and file.

The RFMF also conducts recruitment drive for officers once a year. From 2005 to date, the RFMF recruitment drives have ensured a proportionate intake of male and female soldiers.

INTERNAL RESTRUCTURE

- The RFMF is currently undergoing an internal restructuring program to enable better service delivery. The restructure is aimed at reorganizing our current structure to meet the challenges of the modern strategical and operational environment and align the organisation with the key deliverables outlined in the government's National Development Plan 2017-2036.
- When completed, the restructured organisation will formally include the newly established Joint Task Force Command (JTFC) group located at Black Rock Camp in Nadi, the Fiji Navy's Maritime Essential Services Centre (MESC) in Suva and Training Command (TRGCOMD) policy division.



Where we work

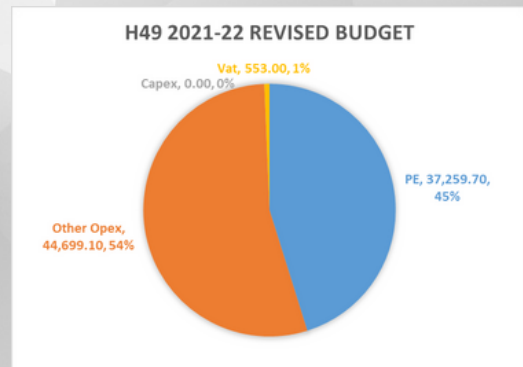
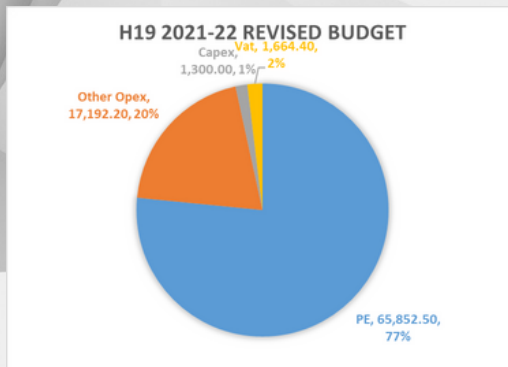
The RFMF currently operates the following established garrisons, naval bases and outpost:

- QUEEN ELIZABETH BARRACKS, SUVA
- DUKE OF EDINBURGH BARRACKS, LAUTOKA
- SUKANAIVALU BARRACKS, LABASA
- STANLEY BROWN NAVAL BASE, SUVA
- TOGALEVU NAVAL BASE, SUVA
- BLACK ROCK CAMP, NADI
- NADI AIRPORT OUTPOST & NASA FACILITY, NADI

In line with the Commander RFMF intent, all garrisons, naval bases and military outposts are undergoing infrastructural maintenance and repairs in order to upgrade the facilities in accordance with the organisation's operational needs, latest cyclone proof certification and more importantly enable better service delivery by our personnel.



Financial Highlights



Summary of Financial Highlights

- The 2021-2022 fiscal year has been challenging for the organisation. The nation continues to recover from the Covid 19 pandemic and is slowly making its way back to full economic recovery.
- Despite these challenges, the RFMF continued to rise up and meet the government's requirements in carrying out its responsibilities for the nation.
- The RFMF allocation was \$79.7 million and at the end of the fiscal year the RFMF had well utilised most of its allocation.
- For further clarification, please refer to Annex 1 of this report.



Disaster & Crisis Response



Phase 3 (Refurbishment/Rehab & Reconstruction)

- Completion of major assistance to government directed rehabilitation & reconstruction efforts;
- Return to Barracks of all deployed troops and activated Territorial Forces units (only done in extreme circumstances such as the Category 5 Tropical Cyclone Winston);
- Refit and re-posture, continue with primary security task.

Summary

- The RFMF's involvement in HADR operations are coordinated by NDMO. RFMF also trains with NDMO on interoperability for HADR operations.

- The RFMF, as part of the whole of government response, was deployed to support local and regional responses to floods and tropical cyclones. RFMF assistance & efforts are captured at the National Disaster Management Office (NDMO) operational tempo. All RFMF assistance are coordinated and executed by NDMO as part of the national effort towards all natural disasters.
- The RFMF assesses that this is most likely to grow in frequency and scale due to the extreme effects of climate change.

LOCAL RESPONSE TO TROPICAL CYCLONES (TC)

- As part of the government's response to tropical cyclones, the RFMF provided Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) to three tropical cyclones during the fiscal year. The three tropical cyclones that affected Fiji were:
 - A. TC ANA;
 - B. TC BINA; and
 - C. TC CODY.
- In terms of annual commitment, the RFMF commits 60 percent of its total manpower and equipment in course of an HADR operation. The RFMF's assistance is activated by phases, as shown below:

Phase 1 (Preparation/Pre Tropical Cyclone Hit)

- Assist Police in evacuation of civilians to Evacuation Centers in all Divisions;
- Search and Rescue of seafarers out at sea;

Phase 2 (Execution/Post Cyclone Hit)

- Cleanup of major towns in affected Division, as well as assistance to other Divisions in the nation;
- Assist in Initial Damage Assessments (IDA) in close cooperation with relevant line ministry;
- Assist in rehabilitation and reconstruction of affected areas via government directed assistance.

DISASTER & CRISIS RESPONSE



REGIONAL RESPONSE TO TROPICAL CYCLONES (TC)

- The government's offer of assistance to regional partners remained affirmed during this reporting period and the RFMF stood ready to provide the required operational capability if needed.
- In anticipation of such a deployment, the RFMF continued to conduct training in HADR operations through the Joint Task Force Command at its Black Rock facility and does so in close cooperation with key stakeholders from government ministries and regional partners such as Australia and New Zealand.
- The RFMF is ready to commit a composite company of specialists to meet the government's commitment to offer assistance any affected regional partner.
- In summary, the RFMF stands ready to assist its regional neighbors when needed.



FORCE READINESS



- In order to respond to the primary threat posed by climate change, the RFMF must **upgrade and upskill** itself in order to meet the challenges of these extreme weather conditions locally and regionally.
- This has been achieved through the conduct of joint training locally and in close cooperation with our defence partners from Australia, New Zealand, the US and France.
- The **aim** of these joint training sessions is to ensure that the RFMF is suitably postured to operate alongside its regional defence partners.
- The RFMF assesses that the threats posed by climate change **will continue to increase in its severity** in the next few years, thus the need to maintain force readiness in order to meet its challenge.



SECURING FIJI



- **Situational awareness** is an essential component of securing Fiji. RFMF situational awareness is achieved through regional cooperation with defence partners in the sharing of information relevant to security in the region and internationally.
- **Regular joint training and secondment programs** between RFMF and Australia Defence Force (ADF) has boosted the inter-operability and cooperation between the two forces.
- **Joint regional exercises** with US, French, Australian and New Zealand military forces have reaped benefits for RFMF in terms of close cooperation in tactics and standard operating procedures.
- Locally, in **close cooperation and joint training** with **local security agencies** such as the Fiji Police Force (FPF), Fiji Immigration, Fiji Revenue & Customs Service, the RFMF stands postured to support its local security partners in combating threats to the nation.



MARITIME SECURITY



- Fiji plays a key role in shaping maritime security in the South West Pacific, with **Australia's Pacific Patrol Boat Program** providing the largest defence cooperation platform.
- **Fiji's Maritime Essential Services Centre (MESC)** has been established in Suva to enhance Fiji's maritime capabilities, provide protection measures for mariners, enhance natural disaster assistance and rescue capabilities, and improve Suva's radio service.
- The RFMF, through its Navy, has been intimately involved in the conduct of **patrols and joint training** with our key partners from Australia and New Zealand.
- Statistically, in a nutshell, maritime operations have yielded the following figures:
 - a. **Total Search & Rescue Cases** - 135
 - b. **Total Lives Saved** - 389
 - c. **Total Lives Lost** - 37
 - d. **Total Boarding Operations** - 168
 - e. **Total Hydrographic Operations** - 72 days, costing \$548,280.

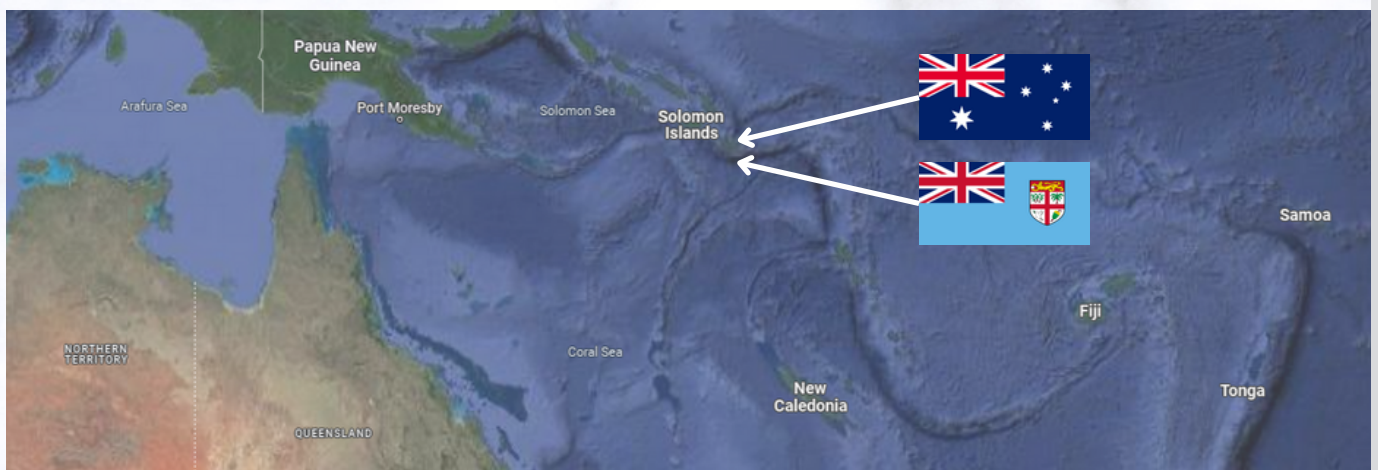


REGIONAL SECURITY



- **The Boe Declaration.** On 5 September 2018 in Nauru, the Pacific Islands Forum, including Australia, adopted the Boe Declaration on Regional Security.
- The new declaration recognizes an **expanded concept of security**, including human, cyber and environmental security, and frames regional responses to emerging security issues.
- **Deployment to Solomon Islands.** As part of its commitment to regional security, the Fiji government committed fifty RFMF troops in support of an Australian led peacekeeping force to Solomon Islands in early 2022.
- To date, Fiji maintains a fifteen men squad of specialists to assist the Australian led mission in maintaining security in Honiara.
- The RFMF is postured to assist its defence partners in regional security deployments.

FIJI DEPLOYMENT TO SOLOMON ISLANDS



COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL PEACE



- The RFMF will improve its performance by working with bilateral partners to strengthen capabilities, preparedness, skills and overall performance.
- Investment in protected mobility, breach capability, Explosive Ordnance Demolition (EOD) specialists, electronic jammers, Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance (ISR) capability and Personal Protection Equipment (PPEs) is critical in the upgrading and upskilling of the RFMF.
- The RFMF continues to maintain its footprint in United Nations Peace Keeping Operations (PKO) and Observer missions in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon and Yemen and Sudan, while maintaining its presence in the Sinai Peninsula's Multinational Forces and Observer mission in Egypt.
- For an overview of the financial highlights, please refer to ANNEX 2 of this report.



Operational Highlights

COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL PEACE



Map of Fiji's Commitment to Peace Keeping Operations in the Middle East



UN Deployments by Country and Troop Numbers



MULTINATIONAL OBSERVER FORCE (MFO), SINAI, EGYPT
Troop Strength - 162
Mission - To supervise implementation of security provisions of the Egyptian-Israeli Treaty of Peace and employ best efforts to prevent any violation of its term.



UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION (UNAMI), BAGHDAD, IRAQ
Troop Strength - 157
Mission - To provide intimate security detail to UN Special Representative to Secretary General Iraq & UN staff.



UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (UNDOF), GOLAN HEIGHTS, SYRIA
Troop Strength - 141
Mission - To maintain the ceasefire, supervise the cessation of hostilities between Syria and Israel & disengagement of forces and monitor areas of separation.



UNITED NATIONS MISSION IN SOUTH SUDAN (UNMISS), SOUTH SUDAN
Troop Strength - 02
Mission - Support for peace consolidation and thereby fostering longer-term state building and economic development. Support the Government of the Republic of South Sudan in exercising its responsibilities for conflict prevention, mitigation and resolution and protect civilians.



UNITED NATIONS MISSION TO SUPPORT THE HUDAYDAH AGREEMENT (UNMHA), SANAA, YEMEN
Troop Strength - 01
Mission - To facilitate and coordinate United Nations support to assist the parties to fully implement the Hudaidah Agreement.



UNITED NATIONS TRUCE SUPERVISION ORGANISATION (UNTSO), EGYPT, ISRAEL, JORDAN, LEBANON & SYRIA
Troop Strength - 01
Mission - mediating conflict between Israel and its neighbors both during and after the 1948 Arab-Israeli war.

RISING SECURITY CHALLENGES

- The RFMF must be legally and operationally prepared to take on the modern terrorism threat to maintain Fiji's sovereignty and integrity.
- Technological advancements have enabled the spread of political, economic, environmental and religious extremism, leading to the spread of radical and extremist ideas.
- The RFMF's close cooperation with its key defence partners in the region and internationally, will enable critical advance training and information sharing on this space, in order to ensure that Fiji is operationally aligned to meet any threats of climate change, criminal nature or regional security nature.



CONCLUSION

- The RFMF has come through a tough and challenging period in this fiscal year. The evolution of the Covid 19 virus and the need to adapt to meet its challenges has shaped the RFMF's concept of operations in meeting the new form of pandemic threat. To this end, all current operational procedures are deemed invalid as the RFMF transforms itself to operate in an ever changing complex environment with different rules and boundaries.
- The assistance offered by its defence partners in mitigating against the threat of the pandemic has built newer relationships and bond amongst regional neighbors in the region. The outcome is a stronger and vibrant defence cooperation between like-minded nations, keen on preserving our independence and sovereignty in an ever changing operational environment.
- The RFMF strives to establish positive relationships with its regional and international partners in order to stay apprised of global trends and concerns that may affect Fiji. Capability and capacity building will continue to aid in the reorganization of the RFMF and contribute to better performance in the future.
- Finally, the RFMF will support the government of the day and fulfill its constitutional role in serving the people of Fiji.



ANNEX 1

Promoting Public Sector Accountability and Sustainability through our Audits



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08 September 2023

The Honourable Pio Tikoduadua
Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration
Government Buildings
SUVA

*Noted.
Sairusi
10/9/23*

Dear Honourable Tikoduadua

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 JULY 2022

The audited financial statements of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces for the year ended 31 July 2022 together with my audit report on them are enclosed.

Particulars of any errors and omissions arising from the audit have been forwarded to the Management of the Force for their necessary action.

Yours sincerely

Sairusi Dukuno
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL

✓ cc: Commander Republic of Fiji Military Forces, RFMF Headquarters, Berkley Crescent,
Suva

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REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022


ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022


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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES

I have audited the financial statements of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces ("the Force") which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, Appropriation Statement, Statement of Losses, Trading Account, Trading Activity Profit and Loss Statement, Trading Activity Balance Sheet and Trust Fund Account Statement of Receipts and Payments for the financial year ended 31 July 2022, and the notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matters discussed in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the accompanying financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Trading and Manufacturing Account

1. An unreconciled variance of \$30,543 existed between the Plant Pool Value Added Tax (VAT) Account Reconciliation and the VAT receivables general ledger balance. Consequently, I could not confirm the accuracy and completeness of the VAT receivables balance of \$214,238 stated in the Plant Pool Trading Account balance sheet as at 31 July 2022.

I have conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountant's *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Fiji and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

Without further qualifying the account, attention is drawn to the following matters:

1. Expenditures totaling \$58,204 incurred by the Force was charged to Head 49 - Peacekeeping Missions and is not reflected in the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Force. The Force would have overspent its budget appropriation for operating expenditures had all the expenditures were correctly recorded in the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure. As a result, the total operating expenditure of the Force is understated by \$58,204 at year end.
2. The Force did not carry out an annual board of survey to verify the existence and condition of all assets under its authority contrary to Section 49(1) of the Finance Instructions 2010.

Other Matters

1. Included in the Appropriation Statement Revised Budget Estimate of \$86,358,308 is \$349,187 additional appropriation sourced from Head 49 – Peacekeeping Mission. This additional appropriation was not approved by the Minister of Finance, contrary to the requirements of Section 22(1) of the Financial Management Act of 2004.

Trading and Manufacturing Account

2. The Plant Pool Trading Account is operating on a semi accrual accounting basis instead of full accrual accounting. The plant and equipment which are used for the operation of the Plant Pool have not been reflected in the balance sheet of the Plant Pool Trading Account.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The Management of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010, and for such internal control as the Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

The Management are responsible for overseeing the Force's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud and error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Management of Republic of Fiji Military Forces.

I communicate with the Republic of Fiji Military Forces regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.


 Sairusi Dukuno
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL





Suva, Fiji
 08 September 2023

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

We certify that these financial statements:

- (a) fairly reflect the financial operations and performance of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces for the year ended 31 July 2022; and
- (b) have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010.


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Ione Kalouniwai
Major General
Commander - Republic of Fiji Military Force


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Lepani Vaniqi
Captain (N)
Director Finance, Logistics &
Accounts

Date: 29/08/23

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ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

	Note	2022 (\$)	2021 (\$)
RECEIPTS			
State Revenue			
Operating Revenue		449,391	519,462
Total State Revenue		<u>449,391</u>	<u>519,462</u>
Agency Revenue			
Miscellaneous income		58,235	53,604
Total Agency Revenue		<u>58,235</u>	<u>53,604</u>
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>507,626</u>	<u>573,066</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Established Staff		63,145,754	62,616,398
Government Wage Earners		318,993	327,847
Travel & Communication		1,151,545	1,156,859
Maintenance & Operations		5,976,709	6,363,375
Purchase of Goods & Services	3(a)	10,133,545	8,597,840
Special Expenditure	3(b)	2,452,906	2,177,710
Total Operating Expenditure		<u>83,179,452</u>	<u>81,240,029</u>
Capital Construction	3(c)	875,102	629,380
Capital Purchase	3(d)	257,859	444,543
Total Capital Expenditure		<u>1,132,961</u>	<u>1,073,923</u>
Value Added Tax		1,855,766	1,551,654
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>86,168,179</u>	<u>83,865,606</u>

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES APPROPRIATION STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

SEG	Item	Budget Estimate	Appropriation Changes	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure	Carry-Over	Lapsed Appropriation
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Operating Expenditure							
1	Established Staff	65,506,351	(2,348,288)	63,158,063	63,145,754	—	12,30
2	Government Wage Earners	346,110	(24,459)	321,651	318,993	—	2,6
3	Travel & Communication	986,600	164,945	1,151,545	1,151,545	—	-
4	Maintenance & Operations	4,595,660	1,383,023	5,978,683	5,976,709	—	1,9
5	Purchase of Goods & Services	9,870,000	264,935	10,134,935	10,133,545	—	1,3
7	Special Expenditure	1,740,000	713,116	2,453,116	2,452,906	—	21
Total Operating Expenditure		83,044,721	153,272	83,197,993	83,179,452	—	18,5
Capital Expenditure							
8	Capital Construction	900,000	—	900,000	875,102	—	24,8
9	Capital Purchase	400,000	—	400,000	257,859	—	142,14
Total Capital Expenditure		1,300,000	—	1,300,000	1,132,961	—	167,0
13	Value Added Tax	1,664,400	195,915	1,860,315	1,855,766	—	4,54
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		86,009,121	349,187	86,358,308	86,168,179	—	190,12

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
STATEMENT OF LOSSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

Loss of Money

There was no loss of money recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Loss of Revenue

There was no loss of revenue recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Loss of Assets (Other than Money)

There was no reported loss (other than money) recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022. There was no Board of Survey carried out for the financial year ended 31 July 2022. -

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
TRADING ACTIVITY - TRADING ACCOUNT - ENGINEERS PLANT POOL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

	Note	2022 (\$)	2021 (\$)
Sales			
Plant Hire	5	<u>53,034</u>	<u>69,037</u>
		<u>53,034</u>	<u>69,037</u>
Opening Finished Goods		---	---
Add: Cost of Manufactured Goods		---	---
		<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>
Less: Closing of Hydrographic TMA Adjustment		---	---
Less: Closing Finished Goods		---	---
Cost of Goods Sold		<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>
Gross Profit transferred to Profit & Loss Statement		<u>53,034</u>	<u>69,037</u>

ANNEX 1**REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
TRADING ACTIVITY - PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT - ENGINEERS PLANT POOL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

	2022 (\$)	2021 (\$)
Income		
Gross profit transferred from Trading Account	53,034	69,037
Total Income	<u>53,034</u>	<u>69,037</u>
Expenses		
Fuel and oil	44,608	2,224
Repairs and maintenance	114,206	146,118
Freight	716	—
Office upkeep and supplies	4,484	216
Fixed asset replacement and improvement	8,785	14,271
Minor Improvement	—	374
Total Expenses	<u>172,799</u>	<u>163,203</u>
Net Loss	<u>(119,765)</u>	<u>(94,166)</u>

ANNEX 1**REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
TRADING ACTIVITY - BALANCE SHEET - ENGINEERS PLANT POOL
AS AT 31 JULY 2022**

	2022 (\$)	2021 (\$)
Assets		
Cash at Bank	32,631	163,431
Accounts Receivable	289	289
VAT Receivable	214,238	203,203
Total Assets	247,158	366,923
Liabilities		
Revenue Received in advance	---	---
Total Liabilities	---	---
Net Assets	247,158	366,923
Equity		
TMA Accumulated Surplus	366,923	461,089
Net Loss for the period	(119,765)	(94,166)
Total Equity	247,158	366,923

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
ENGINEER PROJECTS TRUST FUND ACCOUNT STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

	Note	2022 (\$)	2021 (\$)
Receipts			
Miscellaneous Project		79,146	158,465
Rotuma Hospital		6,956	2,301,432
Nasamila District School		—	—
Neomai Lewakai		—	—
Tailevu North		—	349
Nukutui Village		—	162,897
Nalagi		—	13,181
Biausevu		—	41,933
Homes of Hope Wailoku		18	76,689
Navakasiga District School		95,141	—
Vunivutu Project Macuata		46,539	—
New Cakaudrove Provincial Council		291,031	—
Total Receipts		518,831	2,754,946
Payments			
Miscellaneous Project		81,503	189,782
Rotuma Hospital		1,570,705	101,944
Nasamila District School		9,686	—
Tailevu North College		—	1,742
Namalata		—	20,220
Nawaikama Footpath		—	433
Vunisalusalu		—	284
Vaturova/Koroalau		—	45
Druadrua Footpath		113	14,000
Tobuniqio		—	1,222
Rt Nacagilevu Primary School		118,230	—
Nasau Village Rehab Project		—	4,892
Upgrade of Nabukaluka Com Hall		—	2,684
Nukutui Village		26,531	136,366
Nalagi		11,064	—
Biausevu		41,933	—
Homes of Hope Wailoku Tamavua		58,252	18,455
Navakasiga District School		95,141	—
Vunivutu Project Macuata		46,497	—
Total Payments		2,059,655	492,069
Net (Deficit)/Surplus		(1,540,824)	2,262,877
Add balance as at 1 August 2021		2,546,685	283,808
Closing balance as at 31 July 2022	6	1,005,861	2,546,685

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

NOTE 1: REPORTING ENTITY

The Republic of Fiji Military Forces [RFMF] is responsible for upholding and defending the Fijian Constitution. Its primary responsibility is to ensure peace and security within the country for the benefit of all Fijians. It also makes a significant contribution to the United Nations Peacekeeping operations in troubled areas around the world. The RFMF maintains an operational infantry battalion, naval capability and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief capability.

As part of its contribution to nation building, the RFMF's Engineering Corps carries out an extensive range of development projects across the country that improve the living conditions of ordinary Fijians, particularly those in rural and maritime areas.

The RFMF's Naval Division provides surveillance of Fiji's maritime water as required by the International Law of the Sea. In addition, the Navy division operates the 3DP radio station and conducts Hydrographic survey and charting of Fiji waters.

NOTE 2: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

In accordance with Government accounting policies, the financial statements of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces is prepared under the cash basis of accounting. All payments related to purchases of fixed assets have been expensed.

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and the requirements of Section 71(1) of the Finance Instructions 2010. The preparation and presentation of a Statement of Assets and Liabilities is not required under the current Government policies, except for that of the Trade and Manufacturing Accounts.

b) Accounting for Value Added Tax (VAT)

All income and expenses are VAT exclusive. The Force on a monthly basis takes out VAT output on total money received for expenditure from Ministry of Finance. VAT input on the other hand is claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred.

The VAT payment as per the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures relates to the VAT input claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred and VAT payments to Fiji Revenue and Customs Services (FRCS). Actual amount paid to FRCS during the year represents the difference between VAT Output and VAT Input.

c) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when the actual cash is received by the Force.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued...) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

NOTE 3: SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS

- (a) Purchase of Goods and Services expenditure increased by \$1,535,705 or 18% in 2022. The increase was mainly attributed to the increase in expenditure relating to the purchase of rations, clothing and uniform.
- (b) Special Expenditure increased by \$275,196 or 13% in 2022. This was mainly due to the increase in expenditures relating to basic recruit courses and VAT Aid Kind.
- (c) Capital Construction expenditure increased by \$245,722 or 39% in 2022. This was mainly due to the increase in expenditures relating to upgrading projects and renovation of RFMF infrastructure.
- (d) Capital Purchase expenditure decreased by \$186,684 or 42% in 2022. This was mainly because there was no purchase of recompressor diving chamber in the financial year 2022.

NOTE 4: APPROPRIATION MOVEMENTS

Movements of funds through virements as summarized below:

VIREMENT NO.	FROM	AMOUNT (\$)	TO	AMOUNT (\$)	APPROVAL
V19001	SEG 8	27,873	SEG 8	27,873	Permanent Secretary of Finance
V19002	SEG 8	8,268	SEG 8	8,268	
V19003	SEG 1	146,790	SEG 13	146,790	Minister of Finance
DV1905	SEG 1	1,030,000	SEG 3	30,000	Commander RFMF
			SEG 4	200,000	
			SEG 7	800,000	
DV1906	SEG 1	230,000	SEG 5	230,000	Commander RFMF
DV1907	SEG 1	68,000	SEG 4	26,520	Commander RFMF
			SEG 5	41,480	
DV1908	SEG 1	153,000	SEG 3	50,000	Commander RFMF
			SEG 4	10,000	
			SEG 5	93,000	
DV1909	SEG 1	150,000	SEG 4	10,000	Commander RFMF
			SEG 5	140,000	
DV1910	SEG 1	67,000	SEG 5	61,467	Commander RFMF
			SEG 13	5,533	
DV1911	SEG 1	132,435	SEG 4	121,500	Commander RFMF
			SEG 13	10,935	
DV1912	SEG 3	13,850	SEG 4	353,139	Commander RFMF
	SEG 4	72,575			
	SEG 5	243,996			
	SEG 7	22,718			

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued...)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

NOTE 4: APPROPRIATION MOVEMENTS (cont...)

VIREMENT NO.	FROM	AMOUNT (\$)	TO	AMOUNT (\$)	APPROVAL
DV1913	SEG 3	13,262	SEG 4	198,884	Commander RFMF
	SEG 4	64,438			
	SEG 5	57,018			
	SEG 7	64,166			
DV1914	SEG 1	371,063	SEG 4	416,023	Commander RFMF
	SEG 2	24,459	SEG 13	32,658	
	SEG 3	37,942			
	SEG 4	15,217			
DV4904	Head 49	Head 19	SEG 3	150,000	Commander RFMF
	\$349,187	Nil	SEG 4	199,187	
	TOTAL	3,014,070		3,363,257	

SEG	From Amount (\$)	To Amount (\$)	Net Change Amount (\$)
SEG 1	2,348,288	---	(2,348,288)
SEG 2	24,459	---	(24,459)
SEG 3	65,054	230,000	164,946
SEG 4	152,230	1,535,253	1,383,023
SEG 5	301,014	565,947	264,933
SEG 7	86,884	800,000	713,116
SEG 8	36,141	36,141	---
SEG 9	---	---	---
SEG 13	---	195,916	195,916
	3,014,070	3,363,257	349,187

NOTE 5: TRADING ACTIVITY ACCOUNT

The RFMF operates the Engineers Plant Troop trading account which was formed in 1978 to construct and develop roads to the inaccessible parts of rural areas in Fiji. Three new projects have been undertaken in 2022.

NOTE 6: ENGINEER PROJECT TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

The Engineer Project Trust Fund Account Statement of Receipts and Payments for individual projects for the year ended 31 July 2022 is as follows: -

ANNEX 1

REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued...)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

NOTE 6: ENGINEER PROJECT TRUST FUND ACCOUNT (cont...)

Projects	Balance as at 01/08/2021 (\$)	2022 Receipts (\$)	2022 Payments (\$)	Balance as at 31/07/2022 (\$)
Miscellaneous Project	3,868	79,146	81,503	1,511
Rotuma Hospital	2,201,434	6,956	1,570,705	637,685
Nasamila School	9,686	---	9,686	---
Neomai Lewakai Footpath	2,646	---	---	2,646
Ratu Ilaisa Memorial School	24,261	---	---	24,261
Namalata District School	44,683	---	---	44,683
Tailevu North Secondary School	1,886	---	---	1,886
Druadrua Footpath	113	---	113	---
Ratu Nacagilevu Primary School	118,230	---	118,230	---
Nukutui Village	26,531	---	26,531	---
Nalagi	13,180	---	11,064	2,116
Biausevu	41,933	---	41,933	---
Navakasiga District School	---	95,141	95,141	---
Vunivutu Project Macuata	---	46,539	46,497	42
New Cakaudrove Provincial Council	---	291,031	---	291,031
Home of Hope Wailoku Tamavua	58,234	18	58,252	---
Total Balance	2,546,685	518,831	2,059,655	1,005,861

The Projects for other Government agencies that were carried out by the RFMF Engineers are tabulated below:

(i) Office of the Prime Minister

Capital Projects	Project Sum (\$)
Ratu Nacagilevu Primary School	118,230
Nabukaluka village Community Hall	54,903
Tailevu North Secondary School	202,852
Nasamila District School	209,025
Ratu Ilaisa Memorial School	205,449
Namalata Primary School	608,556
Nawakama Footbridge	60,946
Neomai Lewakai Footpath	2,646
Druadrua Footpath	14,113
Vaturova Koroalau High School	108,047
Nukuni Village	157,395
Nalagi Crossing	13,180
Biausevu Footpath	41,933
Homes of Hope	76,689
Tobuniqio Footbridge	132,399
Navakasiga District School	48,107

ANNEX 1

**REPUBLIC OF FIJI MILITARY FORCES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued...)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

NOTE 6: ENGINEER PROJECT TRUST FUND ACCOUNT (cont...)

Capital Projects	Project Sum (\$)
Vunivutu Project Macuata	46,539
New Cakaudrove Provincial Council	291,031
TOTAL	2,392,040

(ii) Ministry of Health

Capital Projects	Project Sum (\$)
Rotuma Hospital	2,303,379

(iii) Commissioner Eastern Division

Capital Projects	Project Sum (\$)
Nasau village Rehabilitation	403,043

NOTE 7: SIGNIFICANT UNUTILIZED BUDGET

(a) No significant unutilised budget was recorded for the capital expenditure for the year 2022 except for Capital Purchases in SEG 9. The significant unutilised budget in Capital Purchases (SEG 9) of \$142,141 or 36% was due to funds being budgeted for the purchase of kitchen equipment of \$135,000 but was not utilised. Funds were not utilised due to the delay in delivery of the equipment which spilled over to the next financial year.

Other projects were put on hold as advised by the Ministry of Finance and deferred to the new financial year.

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08 September 2023

The Honourable Pio Tikoduadua
Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration
Government Buildings
SUVA

Dear Honourable Tikoduadua

PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 JULY 2022

The audited financial statements of the Peacekeeping Missions for the year ended 31 July 2022 together with my audit report on them are enclosed.

Particulars of any errors and omissions arising from the audit have been forwarded to the Management of the Missions for their necessary action.

Yours sincerely

Sairusi Dukuno
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL

✓ cc: Commander Republic of Fiji Military Forces, RFMF Headquarters, Berkley Crescent,
Suva

Acting Commissioner of Police, Level 2 Vinod Patel Building, Centrepont, Suva.

Encl.


**PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

**PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**


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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS

I have audited the financial statements of the Peacekeeping Missions ("the *Mission*") which comprise the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, Appropriation Statement and Statement of Losses for the financial year ended 31 July 2022, and notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the Peacekeeping Missions are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010.

Basis of Opinion

I have conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the Mission in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Fiji and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

I draw attention to the following matters:

1. The Mission did not carry out an annual board of survey to verify the existence and condition of all assets under its authority contrary to Section 49(1) of the Finance Instructions 2010.
2. Expenditures totalling \$58,204 incurred by the Republic of Fiji Military Force under Head 19 is recorded in the Financial Statement of the Peacekeeping Missions under Head 49 in the financial year ended 31 July 2022. As a result, the total expenditures of the Mission is overstated by \$58,204 at financial year end.

My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other Matter

\$349,187 of the Peacekeeping Missions' budget was redeployed to Appropriation Head 19 – Republic of Fiji Military Forces. This redeployment was not approved by the Minister of Finance contrary to the requirement of Section 22(1) of the Financial Management Act 2004.

ANNEX 2

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The Management of the Peacekeeping Missions are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010, and for such internal control as the Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Management are responsible for overseeing the Mission's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

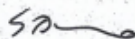
My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud and error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Peacekeeping Missions internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Peacekeeping Missions.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.



Sairusi Dukuno
ACTING AUDITOR-GENERAL




Suva, Fiji
08 September 2023

ANNEX 2

**PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

We certify that these financial statements:


- (a) fairly reflect the financial operations and performance of the Peacekeeping Missions the year ended 31st July 2022; and
- (b) have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Management Act 2004 and Finance Instructions 2010.


.....
Major General J. L. KALOUNIWAI
Commander
Republic of Fiji Military Forces


.....
Captain (N) L. R. VANIQI
Director Finance, Logistics & Acquisition

Date: 29/08

Date: 29/08/23


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Juki Fong Chew
Acting Commissioner - Fiji Police Force


.....
Manaini Mills
Force Accountant

Date: 09/09/23

Date: 06/09/23

ANNEX 2

PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

		31 July 2022 (\$)	31 July 2021 (\$)
EXPENDITURE			
Operating Expenditure			
Established Staff		39,266,471	42,559,126
Travel & Communication		567,058	577,881
Maintenance & Operations	3(a)	290,388	341,633
Purchase of Goods & Services	3(b)	3,305,844	4,337,307
Special Expenditure	3(c)	1,624,809	352,621
Total Operating Expenditure		<u>45,054,570</u>	<u>48,168,568</u>
Capital Expenditure			
Capital Purchases	3(d)	---	1,505,537
Total Capital Expenditure		<u>---</u>	<u>1,505,537</u>
Value Added Tax		469,357	405,755
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>45,523,927</u>	<u>50,079,860</u>

ANNEX 2

**PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
APPROPRIATION STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

SEG	Item	Budget Estimate (\$)	Appropriation Changes (\$)	Revised Budget (\$)	Actual Expenditure (\$)	Carry-Over (\$)	Lapsed Appropriation (\$)
1	Established Staff	38,554,576	1,207,396	39,761,972	39,266,471	---	495,501
3	Travel & Communication	397,540	169,518	567,058	567,058	---	---
4	Maintenance & Operations	647,373	(336,985)	310,388	290,388	---	20,000
5	Purchase of Goods & Services	3,056,925	268,919	3,325,844	3,305,844	---	20,000
7	Special Expenditure	2,082,669	(457,860)	1,624,809	1,624,809	---	---
	Total Operating Expenditure	44,739,083	850,988	45,590,071	45,054,570	---	535,501
8	Capital Construction	---	---	---	---	---	---
9	Capital Purchases	---	---	---	---	---	---
10	Capital Grants & Transfers	---	---	---	---	---	---
	Total Capital Expenditure	---	---	---	---	---	---
13	Value Added Tax	556,600	(83,643)	472,957	469,357	---	3,600
	Total Expenditure	45,295,683	767,345	46,063,028	45,523,927	---	539,101

ANNEX 2

PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS STATEMENT OF LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

Loss of Money

There was no loss of money recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Loss of Revenue

There was no loss of revenue recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Loss (other than money)

There was no reported loss (other than money) recorded for the year ended 31 July 2022. There was no Board of Survey carried out for the financial year ended 31 July 2022.

**PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022**

NOTE 1 REPORTING ENTITY

The Fiji Military Forces and Fiji Police Force provides international peacekeeping operations for United Nation (UN) sanctioned missions (United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF), United Nations Assistance Mission in Iraq (UNAMI), Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) in Syria, Iraq and Sinai.

Under the UN Security Council mandate, the deployment of UN security personnel in the zones provide:

- maintain or restore international peace and security;
- disengage the conflict parties;
- create conditions for peaceful settlement of a conflict;
- monitor ceasefire peace agreements; and
- render humanitarian assistance to civilian population in the area of deployment.

NOTE 2 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

In accordance with Government accounting policies, the financial statements of the Peacekeeping Missions is prepared under the cash basis of accounting. All payments related to purchases of fixed assets have been expensed.

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the Finance Management Act 2004 and the requirements of Section 71(1) of the Finance Instructions 2010. The preparation of a Statement of Assets and Liabilities is not required under the current Government policies, except for that of the Trading and Manufacturing Accounts.

b) Accounting for Value Added Tax (VAT)

All expenses are Value Added Tax (VAT) exclusive. The Peacekeeping Mission on a monthly basis takes out VAT output on total money received for expenditure from Ministry of Finance. VAT input on the other hand is claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred.

The VAT payment as per the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures relates to the VAT input claimed on payments made to the suppliers and sub-contractors for expenses incurred and VAT payments to Fiji Revenue and Customs Service. Actual amount paid to Fiji Revenue and Customs Service during the year represents the difference between VAT Output and VAT Input.

c) Comparative Figures

Where necessary, amounts relating to prior years have been reclassified to facilitate comparison and achieve consistency.

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NOTE 2 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont...)

d) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when the actual cash is received by the Mission.

e) Consolidation of Account

The financial statement consolidates the financial statements of Republic of Fiji Military Forces and Fiji Police Force as stated in the 2022 Annual Appropriation Act under Head 49 – Peacekeeping Mission. The budget consists of two programmes of which Programme 1 is allocated for troops deployed by the Republic of the Fiji Military Force while Programme 2 is allocated for personnel deployed by the Fiji Police Force.

NOTE 3: SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS

- Maintenance and Operations costs decreased by 15% or \$51,245. This is because Blackrock is a newly built camp therefore; Repairs & Maintenance for Equipment was less.
- Purchases of Goods and Services decreased by 24% or \$1,031,463 due to decreases in costs to repairs to technical equipment, office books, periodicals and publications, rations, miscellaneous operating expenses and sevusevu.
- Special Expenditure costs increased by 361% or \$1,272,188 due to the newly built camp sewer line in Blackrock.
- Capital purchases decreased by 100% or \$1,505,537 since it was not appropriated in the 2021/2022 budget.

NOTE 4: APPROPRIATION CHANGES

The following virements were approved as follows:

Virement No.	From	Amount (\$)	To	Amount (\$)	Approval
DV4902	SEG 4	190,000	SEG 3	150,000	Commander RFMF
	SEG 5	35,000	SEG 4	30,000	
	SEG 7	100,000	SEG 5	145,000	
DV4903	SEG 4	50,000	SEG 3	35,046	Commander RFMF
	SEG 7	248,382	SEG 5	240,582	
			SEG 7	22,754	
DV4904	SEG 4	166,742	SEG 3	150,000	Commander RFMF
	SEG 5	62,428	SEG 4	199,187	
	SEG 7	120,017	Head 19 - \$349,187	Head 49 - Nil	
DV4905	SEG 3	12,385	SEG 4	43,215	Commander RFMF
	SEG 4	2,224			
	SEG 5	16,391			

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NOTE 4: APPROPRIATION CHANGES (cont...)

Virement No.	From	Amount (\$)	To	Amount (\$)	Approval
	SEG 7	12,215			
V49001	SEG 1	1,176,214	SEG 1	1,267,078	Commander RFMF
	SEG 3	3,143			
	SEG 4	1,234			
	SEG 5	2,844			
	SEG 13	83,643			
REDY04	Head 50		Head 49 – SEG 1	1,116,532	Cabinet Approval
TOTAL		2,282,862		3,050,207	

Total Movement by SEGs

SEG	From Amount (\$)	To Amount (\$)	Net Change Amount (\$)
SEG 1	1,176,214	2,383,610	1,207,396
SEG 3	15,528	185,046	169,518
SEG 4	410,200	73,215	(336,985)
SEG 5	116,663	385,582	268,919
SEG 7	480,614	22,754	(457,860)
SEG 13	83,643	—	(83,643)
TOTAL	2,282,862	3,050,207	767,345

There was significant savings in the Established Staff allocation due to the withdrawal of troops from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon in 2018. However, the budgetary provisions was not reduced

