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“H.E. LUKE DAUNIVALU, FIJI’S HIGH COMMISSIONER TO AUSTRALIA CONDUCTS HIS FIRST OFFICIAL STATE VISIT TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA”

H.E. Mr. Luke Daunivalu, High Commissioner of the Republic of Fiji to Australia paid a 3-day official state visit to Western Australia this week.

This was the first official visit by a Fijian High Commissioner to Western Australia since 2007.

H.E. Daunivalu was accompanied by Mr. Zarak Khan, Fiji Consul General and Trade Commissioner to Australia & New Zealand and officials from the Fiji High Commission and the Fiji Consulate and Trade Commission.

As part of the visit, the High Commissioner and the Fijian delegation paid a courtesy call upon the Governor of Western Australia, Hon. Kim Beazley; the Hon. Peter Quinlan, Chief Justice of Western Australia; the Hon. Kate Doust MLC; the Government of Western Australia, Hon. Bill Johnston MLA, Minister for Mines and Petroleum, Energy and Industrial Relations; representatives from the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science, Innovation, Policy, Planning & Economic Development, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Western Australia; City of Perth, the Western Australia Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Perth Mint.

The 3-day official visit will strengthen Fiji-Western Australia trade, economic and cultural relations and identify potential areas of collaboration; such as international education, sport, agriculture, mining, ICT, art, manufacturing and judiciary people-to-people links.

As part of Fijian Government’s commitment of taking services to the people, consular services were provided to Fijians living in Western Australia during the visit.

The mission also included a business networking event held at Perth Town Hall to promote Fiji as an attractive trade, investment and tourism destination. Fiji Airways was present to support the event and WA Fiji Association performed a Fijian Meke dance performance.

Furthermore, the Fijian community in Western Australia welcomed the High Commissioner and his delegation and gave the High Commissioner an opportunity to provide an update on key developments in Fiji during a Talanoa session.

The Fijian Government extends its appreciation to the people and Government of Western Australia for their generous hospitality and looks forward to building a strong partnership based on this historic visit.

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