



FLNKS/MSG Delegation with the Ambassador Henry Suarez, Deputy Permanent Rep of Venezuela to the UN (current NAM Chair)

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During the 21st Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG) Leaders' Summit held in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, Leaders approved the 2018 Action Plan/Roadmap in support for the FLNKS Self-determination process in Kanak New Caledonia.

The Action Plan calls for a concerted effort at national, regional and international levels by MSG members and the Secretariat to monitor the self-determination process under the Noumea Accord and to promote the processes in ensuring a transparent and fair referendum.

In line with the Action Plan, the Secretariat is providing accompaniment and technical support to FLNKS to enable them to attend and participate in the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Senior Officials and Ministerial Meeting that will be held from 3-6 April 2018 in Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Subsequent to the Baku NAM meetings, the delegation will then travel to Brussels to meet with MSG Ambassadors resident in the Kingdom of Belgium for a further dialogue and update on the FLNKS self-determination process under the Noumea Accord.

The delegation from FLNKS and the MSG Secretariat will join the PNG delegation to NAM for purposes of accreditation whereby Ambassador Max Rai- PNG's Permanent Representative to the UN will lead the MSG delegation to NAM. They will be supported by the NY based MSG Permanent Missions.

The funding support from the New Caledonia Congress is duly acknowledged and appreciated that would enable FLNKS and MSG Secretariats' participation in this important global process before the FLNKS- an original founding member of the MSG.

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