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To: Mr. Keir Preedy CEO Solomon Islands Submarine Cable Co Ltd (SISCC) P.O. Box 290 Honiara Solomon Islands kpreedy@MOF.gov.sb

Subject: End of Initial validation process: ITU Interactive Terrestrial (Optical Fibers and Microwaves) Transmission Maps and Disaster Connectivity Map Initiative for Asia and the Pacific Region

Dear Sir or Madam,

Within the framework of the ITU Project for the implementation of the <u>Interactive Terrestrial</u> <u>Transmission Maps</u> for Asia and the Pacific and further to the two Circular Letters (Request for Information (<u>RFI</u>) sent in January 2013 and <u>Validation Process</u> sent in March 2013), we are pleased to announce that ITU has collected substantial inputs from the concerned stakeholders, compiled the first version of the map, and implemented the validation process on the secure ITU TIES website.

Please note that the data collected for your network is coming from reliable publically available source and has been given a Validation Status of Green (see definition below). The map was officially launched in October 2013 and, unless we are advised otherwise, this information is therefore ready to be publicly disclosed.

Traffic Light	Description from where information was collected
	Green Traffic Light: Information was sourced from an authentic, reliable publicly available source (such as a company website, annual report, presentation, or other publication), and has been deliberately put into the public domain by the network operator or administration (it is therefore not confidential). <i>The information is current and correct, and there is no reason why a public version could not be put into the public domain.</i>

The <u>validation process</u> of the collected data for your network will be closed at the end of August 2021 and therefore we kindly ask you to check the <u>data under TIES website</u> and provide further comments and feedback, if any, by the above mentioned deadline. After 31 August 2021, the **data of your network** will be part of the Interactive Terrestrial (Optical Fibers and Microwaves) Transmission Maps to be disclosed in to the public domain on the ITU website.

In case of any query, Mr Aamir Riaz (<u>aamir.riaz@itu.int</u>) would be available as your focal point for contact.

With your help and collaboration ITU will continue working to make this worldwide transmission map as accurate and up-to-date as possible.

Sincerely yours,

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cc : Mr. Alwyn Perez Danitofea, Director of Communication, Communication Division, Ministry of Communication and Aviation Solomon Islands Government