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To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads, and the Chair of the Chamber of Commerce

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Food Security and Safety Committee

From the onset, the health and safety of our people have been at the forefront of our decision making. Critical issues that impact the health and safety of our people such as food security and the safety of our food are a top priority. To ensure that these issues are fully addressed, the Food Security and Safety Committee is hereby reconvened. The focus of the committee will be to assess our food sources and propose policies that will secure our food production as well as our physical and economical access to a sufficient food supply.

The committee is expected to report to the Governor not less than once a quarter. Those reports should include proposed legislation and changes to rules and policies to promote an adequate and safe food supply.

The committee shall consist of the following persons:

- Director of Homeland Security, who shall act as the chair of the committee
- Secretary of Samoan Affairs
- Attorney General
- Treasurer
- Director of Agriculture
- Director of Commerce
- Director of Education
- Director of Health
- Director of Human and Social Services
- Director of Marine and Wildlife Resources
- Director of Port Administration
- Director of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency
- Director of the Office of Disaster Assistance and Petroleum Management
- President of the American Samoa Community College (ASCC)
- ASCC Land Grant Director

- Chief of Customs
- Division Head of the Environmental Health Services Division
- Chair of the Chamber of Commerce
- Governor's Chief Legal Counsel

Appointees may designate another person to serve in their place by notifying the chair and the Governor's Office in writing.

This memorandum supersedes the portion of GM 019-2020 regarding the Food and Water Security Commission.



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