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NATIONAL ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING CONFERENCE

A national anti-money laundering (AML) conference organised by the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) will be held on 18 February 2009 at the Holiday Inn in Suva.

The theme of the conference is "*Protecting Fiji from Money Laundering*".

The Director of the Fiji FIU, Mr. Razim Buksh said that the conference will bring together key stakeholders from the public and private sector to discuss and exchange views and ideas on strategies for protecting Fiji from money laundering.

The conference is targeted at leaders and senior management of:

- financial and non-financial entities that are covered by the Financial Transactions Reporting Act;
- regulators of financial institutions;
- government law enforcement & prosecutorial agencies;
- media organisations & tertiary academic institutions.

The conference will have distinguished speakers including the Attorney General and Minister for Justice Public Enterprises, Electoral Reform and Anti-Corruption Mr. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Fiji Mr. Savenaca Narube, the Permanent Secretary for Justice Mr. Pio Tikoduadua, the Director of Public Prosecutions Mr. Josaia Naigulevu, the Chief Executive Officer of the Fiji Islands Revenue & Customs Authority Mr. Jitoko Tikolevu and the Director the Fiji FIU Mr. Razim Buksh. There will also be speakers from the private sector. The conference will discuss a wide range of issues related to the conference theme.

This conference is the first of its kind for Fiji, and the Fiji FIU hopes that it will become a regular forum for bringing together industry leaders and government officials engaged in national AML initiatives and programs. More than 150 officials are expected to participate.

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