

6<sup>th</sup> November 2020

## Kokopo Chief v028 Australian Port Rotation & Vessel Delays

Dear Valued Customers,

Pacific Forum Line (PFL) wishes to advise that following the recent inclement weather on the Australian East Coast, coupled with ongoing port congestion with competing vessels vying for berth occupancy, that the Kokopo Chief (v028N) will be revising its Australian coastal rotation as per below:

VESSEL	VOYAGE	LLOYDS	MELBOURNE	BRISBANE	SYDNEY
KOKOPO CHIEF	028N	8907412	14 NOV	18 NOV	21 NOV

Additionally, whilst we make best endeavours to manage schedule integrity and cargo capacity to cater for the markets that we serve it is also incumbent upon us to responsibly manage crew changes in addition to playing our part in mitigating the risk of covid-19 becoming a further problem in these Pacific Island communities where exposure could be critical.

Since March, we have introduced very strict and thorough protocols on our ships for the crew on board and any visitors. Coupled with this, we must comply with each territory's own protocols around cargo handling, crew movements and quarantine. We see these tighter protocols and procedures being the new normal for the foreseeable future. As a result, we also expect our requirement to divert ships and delay port calls as a future necessity to ensure compliance with both our own internal and external protocols which will sometimes have an impact on our schedules.

Our support of the Fijian seafaring industry means that we are fortunate to be able to work with Fijian crew on all of our vessels for many of the positions on board and this allows us to work with Fiji on some of the logistics around regional crew management.

We will ensure that we are communicating the impacts of any changes with you promptly & we hope for your understanding as we navigate through this period with you. In our schedules released today, the following will be reflected:

**Capitaine Quiros V091** delayed as she waits in Fiji to exchange and relieve crew from both the Southern Pearl (v1470) and the Capitaine Dampier (v174).

**Southern Moana V028** calling back into Suva after Nuku'alofa to exchange and relieve crew before returning to Melbourne to resume its schedule.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your local customer service representative.

Thank you for your continued support.

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