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2017 FOREIGN POLICY WHITE PAPER AND AUSTRALIA'S STEPPED-UP ENGAGEMENT IN THE PACIFIC

Australia's support for a more resilient Pacific is one of five key foreign policy objectives identified in the 2017 Foreign Policy White Paper

Australia's stepped up engagement in the Pacific is based on:

- promoting economic cooperation and integration;
- tackling security challenges;
- strengthening people-to-people links, skills and leadership; and
- strengthening the capacity of the Pacific to respond to climate change and disasters.

PACIFIC LABOUR FACILITY

- Approximate value of AUD50 million over five years from 1 July 2018.
- Expressions of interest for PLF Managing Contractors closed in November 2017.
- Request for Tender will be sent to shortlisted companies in the coming months.
- We are looking to have the contract signed and the mobilisation of the PLF Managing Contractor completed later this year.

VANUATU

Roads for Development Phase Two

Approximate value: AUD35 million over five years (Sept 2018-Sept 2023)

Later in 2018:

- Vanuatu Health Sector Support Program
- Vanuatu Education Support Program Phase Two

NAURU

- Nauru Health Improvement Project
- Nauru Sustainable and Climate-Resilient Connectivity Project (led by the Asian Development Bank)
 - Approximate value: AUD85 million over three years (June 2018-June 2021)

FURTHER INFORMATION

<http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/business-opportunities/tenders/Pages/business-notifications.aspx>

<https://www.tenders.gov.au/>



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