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## Calling for Written Submissions Coat of Arms Bill (Bill No. 5 of 2015)

The Parliament passed a resolution on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2015 that the Coat of Arms Bill, 2015 (Bill No. 5 of 2015) be referred to the Standing Committee on Justice, Law and Human Rights and to report back to Parliament during the July sitting.

The Bill intends to provide for the alternation of the former Coat of Arms and the adoption of a new Fijian Coat of Arms ("**Coat of Arms**'), and to regulate the use of the Coat of Arms. In view of the timeline given, the Committee would be grateful if your presentation could be based on the following issues:

- 1) Are the clauses sufficient or should there be amendments to the clauses in the Bill?
- 2) The impact of the Bill on the nation as a whole.
- 3) Any other views specific to the contents of the Bill.

The Standing Committee on Justice, Law and Human Rights invites interested persons or organisations wishing to express views on the Bill to lodge written submissions with:

The Chairman Standing Committee on Justice, Law and Human Rights PO Box 2352 Government Buildings SUVA

as soon as possible but no later than 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

Invitations to appear before the Committee for oral presentations may be issued on the basis of written submissions received. Written submissions made to the Standing Committee are usually made public, however persons making submissions should seek the concurrence of the Standing Committee before separately making them public. Copies of the Bill are available on the Parliament website <u>www.parliament.gov.fj</u>.

For further information please contact the Committee Secretary (Savenaca) through email address savenaca.koro@govnet.gov.fj or telephone contact 3225673.