



## FAKATUFONO NIUE

### Fakamanatuaga 44 tau Pule Fakamotu

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Ke he Matua Akoako ne takitaki e tau liogi fakamonuina ke he Atua

Hataki Fono

Tau Tupuna he Motu

Ke he Lilifu he Fakatonu Fono mo e haau a magafaoa

Tau Lilifu Ikipule mo e tau Lagomatai Ikipule he Fono Kapeneta mo e ha mutolu a tau magafaoa

Tau Lilifu Ekepule oti he Fono Ekepule ha Niue mo e ha mutolu a tau magafaoa

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Lilifu Sir Michael Jones

Lilifu he Komisina Tokoluga ha Niu Silani, HE Mr. Kirk Yates

Australia High Commissioner to New Zealand, HE Mr Ewen McDonald

China Ambassador to New Zealand, Cook Islands and Niue, HE Ms Wu Xi

NZ Deputy Secretary, Foreign Affairs Mr Jonathan Kings

General Manager Matson South Pacific Mr Gregory Chu

Hagai Tohikupu he Fakatufono Niue - Ms Peleni Talagi

Takitaki Fono he Matakau Komisina Pule Gahua he Fakatufono Niue mo e haau a Hukui

Tau Takitaki Gahua Lalahi he Fakatufono Niue mo e tau Ulu Fakatonu he tau Faahi Gahua takitaha

Tau Takitaki he tau Matakau Boards

Tau Fono Takitaki Maaga he tau maaga takitaha i Niue nai

Tau Tagata gahua katoa he Fakatufono Niue

Tau tagata taute pisinisi i Niue

Tau Matakau Fuata mo e tau fanau oti i Niue nai

Tau Kapitiga mo e tau magafaoa Niue mai Niu Silani mo e tau tagata evaeva kua fenoga mae he aho nai

Tau tagata taane mo e tau fifine

Tali mai he ha tautolu a tau mamatua fakamua ne omai ke he motu nai, kua fakaako a tautolu ke fakaoga oti ha tautolu a tau tāoga ke momoui mo e tutupu olaola ai.

Nākai mukamuka ka e fakatumau mo e fakamanavalahi a lautolu ke he takatakaimotu hagahaga kelea. Ko e tau magaaho fakaamua ia, kua uka lahi ka fakatai ke he tau magaaho nai.

Mumui mai e tau misionale mo e Tohi Tapu he Atua ti iloa ai a tautolu ke totou, tohitohi mo e maama.

Ka e fakamua atu foki ne hohoko mai e tau tagata fofō tagata mo e tamai ai he tau toga ne fenoga tata mai ke he motu e tau tupe ke he puhala fetautuiaki.

Ko e tau hikihihiaga ia he tau magaaho nā, ko e kamataaga haia foki ha tautolu ke holo fakahaga mai he tūaga fakamua ia ke he tūaga he lotu mo e pule katoatoa he tau aoga lotu.

Kua hoko mai e tupe ke he moui he tagata Niue, kua kamata pule e tau maukoloa mo e fakatū ai e fakatufono fakakoloni.

Hohoko mai e tau mena nai mo e tau amaamanakiaga ke fakatū taha puhala fakatokatoka gahua ma e motu. Nākai katoatoa ka e kua kamata.

Tali mai he tau magaaho nā, kua holo ki mua a tautolu ke hoko mai ke he magaaho nai. To tumau a tautolu ke holo atu fakahaga ki mua ka tumau a tautolu ke fakamahomo atu e fakatokatokaaga he ha tautolu a tau koloa he motu ma e tau momoui mo e tau nonofoaga hagahaga mitaki.

Kua matamua e tupe he magaaho nai ti auatu foki e tokoluga he tau amaamanakiaga ma e tau fakaakoaga, tau levekiaga malolō tino mo e tau lagomataiaga kua mahomo hake ke lata ma e tau tagata.

To fakatumau e tau puhala tāvili tupe ke tupu mo e moui olaola ai mo e fakamatapatu ai he matagahua fenoga evaeva.

Hā i ai e tau paleko ke he tau hikihihiaga he magaaho nai ka e to fakatumau ha tautolu a falanakiaga ki Niu Silani mo e falu a kapitiga foou.

Ko e hikihihiaga foou he Tāoga kua fakahagaao atu ke he puhala fakamamafa ke he moui leveki ma e tagata nī ka e fakatote hifo e falanakiaga ke he falu.

Ti ko e aho nai kua hafagi e tautolu e Fale Tau Tāoga Niue. Ko e fakamailoga ko e Tāoga kua takatakai viko mo e lagomatai mai a tautolu.

Ko e aho nai foki ke liu kitekite atu ki tua ki a lautolu ne mumua mai i a tautolu.

Liga to ofomate a lautolu hā ko e tau hikihiagiaga ka e manatu au liga talia e lautolu.

Kua lata ke fai hikiagiaga ke he falu he ha tautolu a tau aga tuai mo e tau puhala taute mena. Kua nāakai lata a tautolu ke fakatumau ke he tau puhala ne omai ai a tautolu.

Manako au ke lukuluku mo e ofaofa e mutolu e koloa nai. Ko e koloa ha tautolu ti kua lata ke fakaaoga fakamitaki e tautolu ke fakaholo aki ha tautolu a tau gahua mo e tau atuhau ka mumui mai.

Aho nai kua fiafia a tautolu. Aho nai kua fakaheke a tautolu ke he Atua. Aho nai kua fakakite ha tautolu a agaaga Niue mo e kehe mai.

### **Vagahau Faka Peritania**

Since our forefathers came here we have learned to use all our Tāoga to initially survive and thrive.

It was not easy. But they continued and persisted against a very hostile environment. At this very beginning it was hard compared to what we have today.

Then the missionaries came and the bible and we learned to read, write and comprehend.

Just prior to this the blackbirders and passing ships gave us money or a bartering system.

The changes that occurred then were the start of our progression from a traditional state to one where the church and church schools dominated.

Money was introduced, traders started to dominate and a colonial system of governance was introduced.

These came with expectations of organised infrastructure that was crude but started.

Since then we have progressed to where we are today. And we will continue to progress as we improve our management of our resources to create a better way of life and living.

Money now dominates and expectations are very high for better education, health and community support, and infrastructure.

The economy will continue to grow and thrive with tourism the main driver.

This latest transition though has had its share of challenges and our partnerships with New Zealand and new friends continue.

The new Tāoga change will be towards a more self-sustainable system, less dependent on others.

So, today we open the Fale Tau Tāoga Niue. It is a symbol the Tāoga is what surrounds and supports us.

Today we should also reflect back to the past and those who came before us.

They would be baffled by the changes but I suspect they will approve.

Some of our old habits and ways of doing things must change. We cannot continue the way we were.

I want you to embrace and cherish it. It is ours and we should use our advantages to make things better for us, and generations to come.

I introduce you to the public seal of Niue, designed by Kenneth Green that Cabinet has approved under the Constitution.

And I have just received news that Niue has received the required support from the Governors of the Asia Development Bank and Niue will be the 68<sup>th</sup> member of the Asia Development Bank.

Today we celebrate.

Today we praise God.

Today we express our Niuean-ness and uniqueness.

Fakaue lahi ke he tau tagata oti ne gahua fakamalolo mae aho nai.

Niue Atua Tukulagi

Kia monuina a tautolu oti