services, the examination of capital equipment programmes, and the preparation of plans for co-ordinating national resources in the event of an emergency.

We look forward to the valuable opportunity afforded by the regular meeting of the Heads of Government of the South Pacific Forum to reaffirm our close ties with our island neighbours.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, I commend all these matters to your careful consideration, and I pray that divine guidance will attend your deliberations.