

## LAW WEEK PRAYER BREAKFAST

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Koe Lao moe Taki Lelei: Mei he tafa'aki 'ae Omipatimeni  
(Law and Good Leadership: An Ombudsman Perspective)



### 1. Fakatapu

Your Majesty; Nobles of the Realm; Members of the Clergy; Jurists;  
Distinguished Guests; Ladies and Gentlemen

#### Introduction

2. Koe tauhi Lao moe Pule Lelei, 'oku fu'u matu'aki fiema'u 'aupito ia 'I TONGA. 'Oku tau fou atu 'iha taimi 'oku lahi 'ae ngaahi pole 'ihe sosaieti. 'Oku ngatuu e fonua he teuaki 'oe fili Fale Alea. 'Oku toe vivili ange ai 'ae fiema'u ke tauhi e Lao pea fakapapau'i koe fatongia PULE mo hono tatakai 'oe fonua, 'oku fai fakapotopoto mo lelei.

3. Koe ngaue fakatatau kihe Lao, koe lula fua mahu'inga ia 'oe Pule Lelei. Pea 'oku fetakinima 'ae tauhi Lao moe Pule Lelei ke ma'uma'uluta ai e nofo.

### **Fatongia 'o e 'Omipatimeni**

4. Koe fatongia 'oe 'Omipatimeni, koe feinga ke fakapapau'l 'oku fakahoko 'ae Pule Lelei 'ihe ngaahi ngaue'anga faka-Pule'anga. 'Oku fakatotolo'l 'ehe 'Ofisi 'oe 'Omipatimeni ha launga, koe'uhi koha ta'efiemalie kiha ngaue 'a ha potungaue pe ha taha ngaue faka-Pule'anga, Minisita pe Kovana.

### **Founga**

5. Koe fakatotolo koiaa 'oku tau'ataina, pea 'oku 'omai pe 'e he Lao ha ngaahi mafai ke fakahoko'aki 'ae fatongia. 'I he taimi 'oku fai ai 'ae ngaue, 'oku 'ikai ke fakafofonga'i 'e he 'Omipatimeni 'ae taha launga pe koe Potungaue faka-Pule'anga. Koe taumu'a ke mahino 'ae me'a 'oku lotomamahi ai pe ta'efiemalie ki ai 'ae taha launga.

### **Ko e Ola**

6. Kapau koe ola 'oe fakatotolo 'oku mahino mai 'oku tonu pe ngaue pe faitu'utu'uni 'ae Potungaue, pea 'e fakaha leva ia kihe taha launga. 'Oku ou 'amanaki 'oku fiefia 'ae taha launga koe'uhi ko hono fakamahino 'ae 'uhinga moe tupunga 'oe me'a na'e hoko. 'Oku 'ikai ha totongi foki ki he ngaue ko eni. 'Oku totonu ke fiefia e Potungaue kapau 'oku mahino 'oku 'ikai ha fehalaaki ka 'oku lelei pe faifatongia.
7. Kapau koe ola 'oku mahino mai na'e 'iai ha tonounou 'ae Potungaue, 'e 'oatu leva 'ehe 'Omipatimeni ha fokotu'utu'u ke fakalelei'l 'aki 'ae ngaue hala ne fai. Ko e aofangatuku 'oku fiefia e taha launga he 'oku 'uhinga lelei pe 'ene ta'efiemalie. Pea tanaki atu 'ae fakatonutonu 'oe fehalaaki. 'Oku fiefia pe moe Potungaue koe'uhi ke fakalelei'i 'ae tonounou ko ia, ke fakalakalaka 'ae faifatongia.

8. Koe misiona 'oe faifatongia 'ae 'Ofisi 'oe 'Omipatimeni, ko hono talaki malohi mo faka'ai'ai 'ae Pule Lelei mo e faitu'utu'uni taau. 'Oku fakatefito eni ki he ngaahi Potungaue moe kau ngaue faka-Pule'anga, koe'uhi ke ma'u 'ehe kakai 'oe Fonua ha fiemalie, nonga, mo ha melino 'i Tonga.

### **Ko e Lao**

9. 'Oku fatu 'ae Lao 'oe fonua mei he Fale Alea, pea 'I he mokoia kiai 'ae finangalo 'o 'Ene 'Afio ko e Tu'i 'o Tonga. 'Oku tu'utu'uni pe 'e he Konisitutone 'a e ngaahi founa ke fai 'aki ho no sivi mo vakai'i 'e he Fale Alea mo 'Ene 'Afio, pea toki fakahoko ko e Lao 'oe 'Otu Tonga 'I hano pulusi he Kasete Faka-Pule'anga.
10. 'Oku 'i ai hotau fatongia faka-lao mo faka-konisitutone koe tangata'I moe fefine'I fonua Tonga. Kuopau ke tau talangofua ki he Lao 'o e Fonua. Ka 'ikai talangofua ha taha ki he Lao, ko e maumau lao ia. Koe faihala ia, pea koe to'onga ia 'oku 'ikai fakapotopoto, pea 'ikai hoa moe kuonga maama kuo tau a'usia. 'Oku 'ikai 'aupito ko ha Pule Lelei ia.
11. Ko hono fakalea 'e taha, ka tuku 'o e Lao ki he tafa'aki kae fai ha founa kehe, koe maumau Lao ia; moe Pule kovi moe Taki kovi.

### **Taki Lelei**

12. Ko e Taki Lelei 'oku muimui ma'u pe ki he Lao. Pea 'oku fai 'ae faitu'tu'uni 'o fakatatau mo e fiema'u 'oku faka'auliliki 'I he Lao.
13. Ko e talangofua moe faka-ongoongo ki he Lao, 'oku ne tanaki mai 'a e ngaahi naunau makehe ki he Taki Lelei:
- (i) Angai faitotonu (integrity). 'Oua 'e faka'ataa ha ngaahi tukunga ke 'i ai hatu mo'ua pe popula ki ha taha. 'E uesia pea lavea ngofua 'ae faitu'utu'uni ia.

- (ii) Li'aki 'ae siokita (selflessness). 'Oku fehalaaki 'ae faifatongia mo e fai tu'utu'uni 'i ha sio pe ki ha 'a te lelei fakafo'ituitui.
- (iii) Sio fakalukufua (Objectivity). Taumu'a ma'u pe 'a e faifatongia ki he lelei faka-lukufua.
- (iv) Taliui (accountability) kiate kinautolu 'oku hu'u ki ai 'a e faifatongia.
- (v) Ha mahino (transparency). Tukukehe 'oka tu'utu'uni 'e he Lao, 'oku totonu ke mahino lelei 'ae ngaahi makatu'unga mo e taumu'a 'o e faifatongia.
- (vi) Lea mo'oni (honesty). Ko e Taki Lelei 'oku lea mo'oni ma'u pe.
- (vii) Fakapotopoto mo potupotu tatau 'ae faitu'utu'uni, pea ke vahavahe taau.

### **Aofangatuku**

14. Ko e Taki Lelei: 'oku 'ne fai tu'utu'uni taau, 'a ia kuopau ke fungani 'aki 'ae ngaahi kakala koia kuou lave ki ai 'I 'olunga. 'Oku ne toe vakai'I mo fakapapu'I 'oku fai pau ki he ngaahi Lao kotoa 'oku felave'I mo ia.

15. 'Oku mo'ua 'ae tokotaha taki kotoa pe ki he kakai 'oe Fonua ke taaimu'a 'I hono fakahoko 'ene ngaue moe faitu'utu'uni, fakatatau ki he Lao. Te ne toki 'amanaki lelei leva ki ha Fonua 'oku tauhi Lao, ma'uma'uluta, tupulaki 'ae langa Faka-'ekonomika, mo e Monu'ia.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Rule of Law and Good Leadership for the public sector is fundamental to TONGA'S well being, development and survival. I congratulate the Attorney General's Office for 10 years of perseverance in the delivery of LAW WEEK to promote legal awareness and development. They have been a decade of intense constitutional, political and consequential social change. The collaboration with other national forums with like goals to deliver the 2017 LAW WEEK is commended as increasing greatly the reach in the community, of the objectives of Law week.

### **OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN**

The office of the Ombudsman is very happy to be a part of this collaboration. As one coach once said, "*We develop a team to achieve what one person cannot accomplish*". As you know, we investigate complaints against public servants, public bodies, Ministers and Governors. We are independent and free of charge.

We are duty bound to aggressively raise awareness and support all efforts to promote good governance and good leadership.

### **THE LAW**

All citizens have a duty to abide with the Laws of Tonga. Breach of the law is not only illegal, it is unwise and uncivilised. In other words, contravention of the Laws is bad

leadership. Good Leaders comply with all the laws, all the time. Compliance with the Laws promotes integrity, honesty, selflessness, objectively, accountability and transparency.

Indeed, everyone in leadership roles owes the people of Tonga a duty to ensure that all Public duties comply with the law. Only then, can we have a legitimate expectation for Tonga to achieve stability peace and sustainable economic development.

Thank you. MALO.

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