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Distinguished Madam Chair, Excellency's and fellow participants,

In my national capacity and on my delegation's behalf, it is indeed an honour and privilege for us to, once again, join you all for the annual Regional Seminar

gods - Bali", whose allure and charm could not be resisted, in my case, that is, and perhaps so too, for other participants, by the looks of the attendance at our meeting.

More importantly, however, the ambience and unifying spirit of this venue...I

believe will help reinvigorate us to do better by ensuring that the Regional

Governing Territories territorial government remains functional, as attested by the recent role reversal in French Polynesia, following their elections, and whose representatives are with us this week.

Madam Chair Papua New Guinea is honoured and pleased to. once again.

Nonetheless, we have identified six possible areas that in our view could be

1. Understanding the current status of SDGs implementation;

Though the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development is very clear and