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on the Agenda Item 172: Observer status for the Pacific Islands Development
Forum in the General Assembly
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Mr. President, Excellencies,

While acknowledging the intention of this resolution, my delegation wishes to clarify for the record that although Samoa is engaged in the group of Pacific Small Island Developing States (PSIDS) here in New York, it is not a member of the PIDF. This clarification is important in connection with information provided in the Annex for Explanatory memorandum (in specifically point 6) associated with the resolution that was circulated to Member States.

Thank you Mr. President.