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Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad  
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Dear Biman,

**Re: Response to Minister for Economy's Annual Budget Address 2017-2018**

As we are currently half way into our Parliamentary term, 2014 – 2018, I would like to thank you most sincerely for your kind consideration in accepting the SODELPA nomination to the very important position of Chair of the Public Accounts Committee since the beginning of our term in Parliament from 06 October, 2014 until your resignation from that position.

Integral to this, you responded appropriately to both Budget Addresses in 2015 and 2016 which we gained and benefited from.

As you have stated publicly that NFP will not partner or coalesce with any other Party prior to the 2018 elections, it is therefore imperative for SODELPA to find a parliamentary platform to make known and publicise issues that will benefit us from the 2017 and 2018 Budgets.

Our Members therefore, believe that it is now an opportune time for a Member of the Public Accounts Committee to make the appropriate response to the 2017 and 2018 Budget Addresses.

We would wish, however, to assure NFP that we will continue to collaborate and consult in a conducive and enabling environment until the end of this Parliamentary term as an Opposition.

In conclusion, we wish you all the best in your endeavours and please do not hesitate to make known to us any issues important to you.

Sincerely,

**Hon. Ro Teimumu Kepa**  
*Leader of Opposition*