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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 005–21

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of

Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: COVID-19 Task Force Appointments

American Samoa continues to face challenges in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. For that reason, at the outset of the administration, it is necessary to sustain the efforts of the Coronavirus Task Force. I also wish to offer my deepest gratitude to the previous task force members for their dedication and service in keeping the territory safe. Their work resulted in American Samoa experiencing near unprecedented protection from the disease that has devastated much of the rest of the world.

The new COVID-19 Task Force will assume the responsibilities and authority of the Vaccination and Repatriation Task Forces. This memorandum supersedes all previous appointment memoranda for the prior task forces and shall serve to reconstitute the COVID-19 Task Force. The COVID-19 Task Force shall include the following members:

Faumuina T.J. Faumuina CEO, LBJ Hospital Acting Director, DOH Motusa Tuileama Nua Director, Medicaid Sandra King Young Samana Semo Ve'ave'a Acting Director, ASDHS

Acting Attorney General • Fainu'ulelei Alailima-Utu

Secretary, Office of Samoan Affairs Mauga Tasi Asuega Acting Director, DPA

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Tuiafono Vaiuli Sua ASG Hawaii, Office

Ginger Porter At-Large

Tuli Fruean Hawaiian Airlines
Tuimavave T. Laupola Chief of Staff

The chairman of the Task Force will be Lieutenant Governor Talauega Eleasalo V. Ale.

The first meeting of the new task force will take place on Monday, January 4, 2021 immediately after the cabinet meeting at the Emergency Operations Center in Tafuna. Your cooperation and support in this critical endeavor is appreciated.

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Governor

cc: Hon. Talauega E.V. Ale, Lt. Governor Tuimavave T. Laupola, Chief of Staff

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