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**DAY 1: TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**

**TIME: 9:00am**

**I. OTHER ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER**

**1. VACANCY OF GAGAEMAUGA NO. 2 SEAT**

The seat previously held by LEVAOPOLO Talatonu is now vacant. The Member is no longer a registered voter with Gagaemauga No.2, but is now registered with Salega constituency. Pursuant to the Electoral Act 1963, as the Member is no longer a voter for Gagaemauga No. 2, he is no longer eligible to be a Member of Parliament for Gagaemauga No.2. There is also no need for a by-election as this has come about within 6 months of the General Elections.

**2. COMPLAINTS AGAINST SPAGHL**

There have been accusations by the Hon Leader of the Opposition, who is also a member of SPAGHL, that SPAGHL is using the Committee and government resources for election campaigns. SPAGHL is an official Parliamentary Committee which had as a main focus the health programmes. There was no influence by the Committee,

the venues were pre-appointed as relevant and suitable for Salafai. Those districts accepted and appreciated these programmes with open arms. If these complaints and accusations persist, there will be consequences. The Leader of the Opposition was called to apologise to Parliament.

**i. Hon TUILAEPA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that the SPAGHL visits are similar to site visits undertaken by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MNRE) to Savaii, all over Upolu and Manono. The MNRE carried out their visits in response to climate change. These causes were originally denied by the International community but it is crucial to protect and preserve the environment. This is vital because the effects can be drastic not only to the environment but also to our people. The Hon Prime Minister was appalled at such accusation and complaints but stated that as we are nearing the festive season, the Chair's announcement is clear and all should be forgiven. The Hon Prime Minister beseeched the Leader of the Opposition to keep his speech short because the orders of the day need to proceed.

**ii. Hon PALUSALUE Faapo II, Leader of the Opposition, Member for Safata**

The Hon LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION referred to the attempts of Members and of SPAGHL to address serious health issues through health education programmes, and affirmed there was no intention on his part to question those programmes. He however believes that his comments were not disrespecting to SPAGHL and its work, but as he had witnessed conflict of interest during the visits, something must be said. He stated that he witnessed that the Members were quick to collect from the villages they visited.

**iii. Hon SPEAKER**

The Hon SPEAKER asks the Member whether he is pleading forgiveness because he (Hon Speaker) is not the only Member being accused. The work of the Ministry of Health is also being questioned in the Leader of the Opposition's accusations and complaints.

**iv. Hon TUILAIPA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER clarifies that there are developments funded by international donors. When a project is approved by an international donor then a design is drawn up for the project. Tenders and vacancies are advertised and if there is non-compliance, these are re-advertised. Such is the process for the roads that are currently being constructed at Vaitele and Vailoa. The Hon Prime Minister also pointed out that the reason for mentioning this is because the Hon Leader of the Opposition was also a Minister and he is aware of the processes in place and how decisions are made. Even before elections and while a Minister, developments were being implemented and visits being made but the Member did not complain then. The Leader of the Opposition is complaining about the implementation of developments but he should remember that HRPP is a government that is always working towards the development of the country. It is foolish to stop the progress of improvements and developments that need to be implemented for instance in Savaii. It is sad that the visits and improvements in Savaii is being questioned by a Member who was a former Cabinet Minister.

**v. Hon TOLOFUAIVALELEI Falemoe Leiatua, Minister of Women Community and Social Development, Member for Aana Alofi No.2**

Hon TOLOFUAIVALELEI Leiatua stated that the programme for the SPAGHL visit was passed and approved by the Committee without opposition from the Leader of

the Opposition. He agrees with the announcement by the Chair that the accusations made by the Leader of the Opposition are serious. He sought for the Leader of the Opposition to feel the love of Christ who died on the cross and apologise.

**vi. Hon GATOLOAIFAANA Amataga Alesana Gidlow, Member for Faasaleleaga No.1**

GATOLOAIFAANA Amataga Alesana Gidlow stated she stands as the village of Iva was mentioned by the Leader of the Opposition. Iva is a village that is the fifth in the line of descendants to the Malietoa, and it is the first constituency of Savaii. There was no such activity in which a conflict of interest arises as mentioned by the Leader of the Opposition taking place in the village.

**vii. Hon TUITAMA Talalelei Tuitama, Minister of Health, Member for Aana Alofi No.1**

Hon TUITAMA Talalelei Tuitama, the Hon Minister of Health pointed out that there are always attempts to destroy something good as is the case with the accusations of abuse. The intention of the health sector is that the services are not limited to those that are able to afford the services but also to the rural areas and the rest of the country. The Hon Minister says he was also present at the meeting in which the decision was agreed upon. He clarified that any health promotion programme that is to be carried out in the rural villages, the support of the Member of that constituency is needed, in addition to the support of the legislators. This is needed because these projects require the presence and support of political will. For many years, the health sector has been trying to gain the support of rural villages. There is a Committee appointed by the Ministry of Health to carry out mobile services and programmes to the rural areas, and these initiatives were to gain rural support. Non communicable diseases contribute to 70 percent of deaths in the Pacific and the health sector is collaborating with the Members to minimise the number of deaths in

Samoa from these NCDs. Therefore there is a great need for Members of various constituencies to take part in and support these programmes.

**viii. Hon MANUALESAGALALA Enokati Posala, Hon Member for Safata and Minister of Works Transport and Infrastructure**

The Hon MINISTER pointed out that the Hon Prime Minister has already alluded to the projects currently implemented. He stated that there is also work being carried out at Safata and Faga. The Leader of the Opposition is also complaining about these developments. He informed the Assembly that after Samoa hosted the SIDS conference and rebuilt after the Cyclone, we have been trying to accumulate funds to finance these developments and this is why these projects are being carried out at this time.

In his capacity as a Member of Parliament from Safata, the Hon Minister apologised on behalf of the Leader of the Opposition who holds the other Safata seat. The Hon Minister stated that their Constituency is listening and that they (constituency) would only wish for peace and humility in a Member of Parliament and in Parliament. He states he is willing to apologise for his fellow Member for the sake of the constituency.

**ix. Hon SPEAKER**

The Hon SPEAKER clarified that the announcement was made by him as the Chair of SPAGHL. The Ministry of Health made the decisions on the health promotion programme and the visits, and Gagaemauga and Gagaifomauga constituencies were visited. Their support is now belittled by the comments made by the Leader of the Opposition; this is his only concern.

**x. Hon PALUSALUE Faapo II, Leader of the Opposition, Member for Safata**

The Hon LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION stated that the country will be the judge of the matters being discussed within the House. The only matter that was raised in his comments was conflict of interest. As the Chair knows, the village of Sasina was visited - but what about the whole constituency?

**xi. Hon TUILAEPA Fatialofa Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that one part of the health promotion programme is the commemorating of a Toilet Day. There were four different styles of toilets built and they were distanced from each other. The Hon Prime Minister thought that it would be good to have a projector screen from the Government building to the Tanoa Tusitala projecting the pictures of these four houses. Those at the Government building area can see these pictures and it would be like they are in 5 places at one time. He continued that technology is like this, it can put you in many places in one time. Such is the computerised age that we are in and we should also follow suit. There is a need to be everywhere at once for the progress of the country. These are simple matters and should not be a burden on the Leader of the Opposition.

**xii. Hon SPEAKER**

The Hon SPEAKER begs tolerance of the constituencies of Gagaemauga and Gagaifomauga regarding the matter. The Hon Speaker accepts the apology from one of the Members (Hon Minister of Works Transport and Infrastructure and Member of Parliament from Safata) and stated this would be the end of the matter.

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

- 1 Regulation
- 3 Annual Reports

- 1 By-Election report
- 1 Financial Statement
- 1 Samoa Law Reform Commission Report

### **PRESENTATION OF SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 7 Reports on Bills
- 2 Reports on Annual Reports
- 1 Report on Corporate Objectives

### **MOTION TO SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS - PRIME MINISTER**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER moved the motion to suspend SO 106 and SO107(4) to allow for the consideration in detail and third reading of the 7 Bills on the same sitting day.

## **I. GOVERNMENT ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **A. Teachers Bill 2015- consideration in detail**

**a) P.P. 2015/2016 No. 63, Report of the Education, Science, Communication & Information Technology Committee on the Teachers Bill 2015.**

- i. *LENATAI Victor Fafoi Tamapua - Chairperson of the Education, Science, Communication & Information Technology Committee, Member for Vaimauga West***

LENATAI Victor Tamapua - Chairperson of the Education, Science, Communication & Information Technology Committee moved the motion for the Assembly to approve the Committee Report on the Teachers Bill 2015. The motion was seconded by Aiga i le Tai, Falelatai & Samatau, Sagaga le Falefa, and Faasaleleaga No. 3.

Motion approved.

Clause 2-5 approved

Clause 6

***i. PAPALII Lio Faavaivaiomanu Taeu Masipau, Member for Faasaleleaga No.2***

PAPALII Taeu Masipau queried whether this clause applies to kindergarten schools and teachers.

***ii. Hon. PALUSALUE Faapo II, Member of Parliament for Safata, Leader of the Opposition***

The Hon. PALUSALUE Faapo II queried whether there is consideration of veteran teachers that do not have formal teaching qualifications. In addition, what of the peace corps that teach in the schools in the rural villages. Are they covered under this provision?

***iii. LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, Member for Vaimauga West***

LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua Chairman of the Committee explained that there is a temporary registration provision in the Bill. Only kindergarten or early childhood education is provided for in Clause 3.

Clause 6 approved

Clause 7-9 approved

Clause 10

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE queried that the provision should allow for at least 2 years teaching experience to be qualified as a teacher. He stated that there are returning

graduates that are employed as teachers upon returning with a degree but they have not met the minimum requirement of a teaching degree, therefore they would need to return to University to get a teaching degree. He asked if there was consideration in this regard.

**ii. LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, Member for Vaimauga West**

LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua stated that a Council is established in the Bill and these returning graduates can apply for registration to this Council. The Council has discretion in considering these applications.

Clause 10 approved

Clause 11 - 16 approved

Clause 17

**i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE voiced concern in that the payment of the registration fees may be a barrier to receiving a teaching certificate even if they have a teaching degree.

**ii. LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, Member for Vaimauga West**

The CHAIRMAN stated that the fees will be provided for under the Regulations. If a potential teacher is eager to be a certified teacher then they would need to meet all the requirements.

Clause 17 approved

Clause 18-19 approved

Clause 20 amendment

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE queried why a teaching license for full registration lasts for 3 years? Why is it not 5 years and why is there another fee to be paid for renewal? Is the registration fee only for the first issue or is it every 3 years?

***ii. Hon TUILAEPA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister***

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that if the licence is just being renewed there is nothing to pay. The main priority should be the students and if the teachers prioritise the students as well this should not be an issue.

Clause 20 amendment approved

Clause 21 amendment approved

Clause 22-24 approved

Clause 25

***i. PAPALII Lio Faavavaiomanu Taeu Masipau, Member for Faasaleleaga No.2***

PAPALII pointed out that during the second reading of the Bill the Hon Minister and the Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Education agreed with reinstating the School Inspectors. This has however ceased, has the Committee reconsidered this matter to ensure that the students are provided with quality education?

***ii. Hon TUILAEPA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister***

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that the Member (Papalii) did not mention such a matter in the earlier reading of the Bill.

**iii. PAPALII Lio Faavaivaiomanu Taeu Masipau, Member for Faasaleleaga No.2**

PAPALII said he is sure he made statements about this, and that the Hansard should be consulted for confirmation.

Clause 25 approved

Clause 26-28 approved

Clause 29

**i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE queried whether the Samoa Teachers Council in the Bill is to function as a Board or a Commission.

**ii. Hon PALUSALUE Faapo II, Leader of the Opposition, Member for Safata**

PALUSALUE queried the differentiation between the functions of the Council and the Public Service Commission.

**iii. LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, Member for Vaimauga West**

LENATAI clarified that in the beginning of the Bill, it is stipulated that the Council is under the Ministry and they meet twice or three times a year to review applications for teaching licences and so forth as mentioned in the Bill.

**iv. Hon LAUTAFI Fio Selafi Purcell, Minister of Public Service Commission and Member for Satupaitea:**

The Hon MINISTER stated that he stands as the Public Service Commission (which is under his portfolio) was mentioned. He explained that the Council in the Bill deals with the applications of teachers but the Public Service Commission is for all public servants. The Teachers Council advises the PSC on the profession of teachers and required qualifications.

v. ***AVEAU Tuala Lepale Niko Palamo, Member for Faleata East***

AVEAU queried if there was a difference between the Teachers Council and the Teachers Association?

vi. ***TOEOLESULUSULU Cedric Pose Salesa, Member for Aana Alofi No.3***

TOEOLESULUSULU noted that the Council develops and carries out its own assessment of teachers. He raised his concern in that this may contradict the assessments made by the mission and private schools and the Public Service Commission.

vii. ***LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, Member for Vaimauga West***

LENATAI Victor Faafoi Tamapua, the Chairman of the Education Committee responded that these matters have been discussed, clarified and settled during consultations with the schools, the Attorney General and other relevant ministries.

viii. ***TOEOLESULUSULU Cedric Pose Salesa, Member for Aana Alofi No.3***

TOEOLESULUSULU stated that this is happening because there are teachers that have qualifications and they cannot use this within some schools. He stated that this is a concern because there is contradiction between the assessments made.

Clause 29 approved

Clause 30 - 48 approved

Clause 1 and Short Title approved

Bill progressed with amendments

***Proceedings set aside at 10.45am and resumed at 11.22am***

**A. District Courts Bill 2015 - consideration in detail****a) P.P. 2015/2016 No. 64, Report of the Justice, Police & Prisons and Land & Titles Committee on the District Courts Bill 2015.**

TUISA Tasi Patea Chairperson of Justice, Police & Prisons & Land and Titles Committee moved the motion for the Assembly to approve the Committee's Report and for the Bill to progress with amendments.

Seconded by Aiga i le Tai, Palauli, Falelatai & Samatau, Gagaifomauga No. 2, Vaimauga West, Gagaifomauga No. 1.

Motion approved.

Clause 2-5 approved

Clause 6 amendment

**i. AVEAU Palamo, Member for Faleata East**

AVEAU sought for a clarification of the phrase 'for a period of time in approved countries'.

**ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa**

TUISA Patea, the Chairperson explained that this provision provides for eligibility of the District Court judges and it clearly states that the applicant should have practised as a barrister for a period of time of 8 years.

Clause 6 amendment approved

Clause 7-9 approved

Clause 10 amendment

**i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE queried why the retirement age is reduced to 68, where there is still an opportunity to extend. There appears to be no limit as the provision only states that the term can be extended for an unlimited period of time, and as we know our elderly population is still capable mentally and physically. The age of 70 years is sufficient. If there is to be an extension, there should be an age limit where the extension ends.

**ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa**

TUISA explained that the Attorney General and the Ministry of Justice were consulted and the 68 years is to ensure consistency with the retirement age of Supreme Court Judges.

**iii. Hon TUILAEPA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER pointed out that this amendment is consistent with the amendment made to the Constitution for the age of retirement of the Supreme Court judges in 2005.

**iv. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE was of the view that the age limit (for Supreme Court Judges) should also apply to Members of Parliament.

Clause 10 - amendment approved

Clause 11 - approved

Clause 12 - amendment approved

**i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE raised a concern on the consistency of legislation. He queried whether there was an investigation that proves that 68 should be the retirement age because this can be seen as discriminative legislation.

**ii. Hon TUILAIPA Fatialofa Lusolai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister**

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that the question has been put and there was no opposition therefore the consideration in detail for this Bill should continue.

Clause 13-29 - approved

Clause 30 – amendment

**i. AVEAU Tuala Lepale Niko Palamo, Member for Faleata East**

AVEAU queried clause 30 (b) and why cases in which the amount of “theft” of \$500 is to be heard by the Faamasino Fesoasoani, when 5 penalty units amounts to \$5,000.

**ii. TUISA Tasi Patea Chairman of the Justice, Police & Prison & Land and Titles Committee, Member for Sagaga le Falefa**

Chairman TUISA explained that 1 penalty unit is \$100 and not \$1,000. The civil jurisdiction of the Faamasino Fesoasoani is to hear claims not exceeding \$2,000. Thus the Faamasino Fesoasoani is empowered to hear claims in which the punishment is 5 penalty units (\$500) as this is within the civil jurisdiction of the Faamasino Fesoasoani. This is what the Member needs to understand.

Clause 30 amendment approved

Clause 31-45 approved

Clause 46 - amendments approved

Clauses 47-70 approved

Clause 71-73 amendment approved

Clauses 74 – 77 approved

Clause 78 amendment approved

Clause 79 - 90 approved

Clause 1 and Short Title approved

The Bill progressed with amendments.

**B. Criminal Procedure Bill 2015 - Consideration in detail**

**a) P.P. 2015/2016 No. 65, Report of the Justice, Police & Prison & Land and Titles Committee on the Criminal Procedure Bill 2015.**

*TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa - Chairperson of the Justice, Police & Prison & Land and Titles Committee* moved the motion for the Assembly to approve the Committee's Report and progress the Bill with amendments. Seconded by *Gagaifomauga No. 2, Vaimauga West*.

Motion approved.

Clauses 2 - 4 approved

Clause 5 amendment approved

Clause 6-11 approved

Clause 12 amendment approved

Clause 13 – 28 approved

Clause 29

**i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE queried the provision on a private person's arrest. How does the private citizen know that the person is committing an offense punishable by 3 years?

**ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa: Chair of Justice, Police & Prison & Land and Titles Committee**

TUISA responded that a person should use common sense, and should act depending on the seriousness of the crime being committed, or about to be committed.

**iii. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West**

LEALAILEPULE stated that the concern is that the citizen arresting the person committing the offense will also be imprisoned because of arresting as a private person.

**iv. Hon SPEAKER**

It should be understood that the validity of one's actions should depend on and be justified by the circumstances; no one is expected to react in the extreme where this is uncalled for.

**v. AVEAU Tuala Lepale Niko Palamo, Member for Faleata East**

AVEAU sought the definition of 'private person' in subclause 2?

**vi. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa**

TUISA responded that everyone is a private person; and that all persons are entitled to (and should) assist the police in keeping social order in Samoa.

Clause 29 - 35 approved

Clause 36

***i. AVEAU Niko Palamo, Member for Faleata East***

AVEAU sought for an explanation to the 'use of force' under subclause 3. He is of the view that this is too general; it can mean the use of weapons when arresting those resisting arrest. Isn't this giving too much power to one without a warrant?

***ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa***

TUISA explained that the English translation is clear. Depending on the circumstances, this is also a case in which common sense should be used. This is helpful for the police in keeping peace and order.

***iii. AVEAU Tuala Lepale Niko Palamo, Member for Faleata East***

AVEAU stated that this probably applies to the use by a person of any force as may be necessary to prevent the commission of a crime; this is the phrase that is the cause for concern.

***iv. PAPALII Lio Faavaivaiomanu Taeu Masipau, Member for Faasaleleaga No.2***

PAPALII stated that the provisions in this Bill are from the (about to be repealed) Act, so these provisions were in place earlier and are not new.

Clause 36 approved

Clause 37 - 110 approved

Clause 111 amendment

Clause 111 amendment approved

Clause 112 approved

Clause 113

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE stated that there are instances that the defendant travels overseas and cannot answer to an allegation, what has the Committee proposed to address this situation?

***ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa***

TUISA responded that in such cases, there is a need for collaboration with the immigration services.

Clause 113 approved

Clause 114 - 126 approved

Clause 127

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE referred to the qualifications of assessors for criminal trials. He asked - shouldn't one of the criteria be a legal qualification?

***ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa***

TUISA responded that the Ministry is looking at improving their services, and this may be one of the matters for their consideration.

Clause 127 approved

Clause 128-132 approved

Clause 133

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE indicated he was concerned about a 'conflict of interest' where the appointment of assessors for a trial is concerned, as everyone is related in Samoa. We would need overseas assessors to prevent this from happening.

***ii. Hon SPEAKER***

The HON SPEAKER thanked LEALAILEPULE for bringing up 'conflict of interest' again, which the Assembly has pondered over earlier in the morning. This is a difficult issue in Samoa as everyone is related.

Clause 133 approved

Clause 134 – 147 approved

Clause 148

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West:***

LEALAILEPULE asked if the National Prosecutions Office that is to be established, will deal with the procedure (filing of appeals) in this clause?

***ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa***

TUISA responded that the law is clear, the Attorney General and the Director of Public Prosecutions are both separate entities which are subject to their respective procedures as stipulated under the law.

Clause 148 approved

Clause 149 - 198 approved

Clause 199

***i. LEALAILEPULE Rimoni Aiafi, Member for Faleata West***

LEALAILEPULE raised a concern on the delay in delivering court decisions. He suggested that there should be a court rule or a proviso that provides for court decisions to be made within a specific due date from the close of court proceedings.

***ii. TUISA Tasi Patea, Member for Sagaga le Falefa***

TUISA responded that LEALAILEPULE has raised a good point; that the Judiciary and the Ministry of Justice and Courts Administration would hopefully be listening in and taking heed of this advice.

***iii. Hon TUILAEPFA Fatialofa Lupesoliai Aiono Neioti Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister***

The Hon PRIME MINISTER stated that it is good that the Member from Faleata West has mentioned this and has also talked earlier about the retirement age of Judges. We need Judges to be still there to make decisions and thus address this concern of the Member.

Clause 199-200 approved

Schedule approved

Clause 1 and Short Title approved

The Bill progressed with amendments

***Proceedings were adjourned at 1:00pm.***

***Proceedings will reconvene at 9:00am, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015.***