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Guam OPA and RMI Office of the Auditor General Performed Peer Review of the FSM Office of the National Public Auditor

Hagåtña, Guam – From March 13 – 17, 2023, the Guam Office of Public Accountability (OPA) and the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Office of the Auditor General conducted a peer review of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) Office of the National Public Auditor. Audit organizations are required by the *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States to undergo an independent external quality control review every three years. To ensure compliance, the FSM Office of the National Public Auditor contracted the Association of Pacific Islands Public Auditors to perform the external quality control review, also known as the peer review. The team reviewed performance audits issued from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2020.



The FSM Office of the National Public Auditor's peer review team consisted of team leader Atmita Jonathan, RMI Assistant Auditor General, and joined by Maria Thyrza Bagana. Guam Accountability Auditor III. The Guam and RMI audit offices selected Frederick Jones, Guam Accountability Auditor II; Mariella Cruz, Guam Accountability Auditor I; Ruson Mewa, RMI Audit Supervisor; and Lynna Luke, RMI Staff Auditor. respectively, to observe and be trained on the peer review process.

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