

BIOSECURITY ACT 2008

**Declaration of Biosecurity Emergency Areas for
Fruit Fly Species**
(Bactrocera kirki and Bactrocera obscura)

IN exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 77 of the Biosecurity Act 2008, with the advice of the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji and in consultation with the National Disaster Management Council, I hereby declare the whole of Rotuma as biosecurity emergency area for fruit fly species (*Bactrocera kirki* and *Bactrocera obscura*).

This Declaration is in force for a period of 6 months from the date of its publication in the Gazette.

Any movement of all stages of the fruit fly species (*Bactrocera kirki* and *Bactrocera obscura*) including eggs, larvae and pupa, or of any material hosting the fruit fly species (*Bactrocera kirki* and *Bactrocera obscura*), out of the declared biosecurity emergency area is strictly prohibited. Host material includes all fruits found in Rotuma.

Pursuant to sections 79(3) and 94 of the Biosecurity Act 2008, any person who contravenes any direction made pursuant to this Declaration commits an offence and is liable to the penalties prescribed under Schedule 5 of the Biosecurity Act 2008.

Dated this 12th day of March 2021.

F. S. KOYA
Acting Minister for Economy