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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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**TO:** Rose Dufour  
 Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
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**RE:** R/V MELVILLE  
 10/6/01 - 10/29/01  
 State File No. 2000078

**FROM:** Liz Tirpak  
 tirpakej@state.gov

**DATE:** Tuesday, October 02, 2001

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We have just received the following approval(s) for the above-referenced research cruise:

<i>Coastal State</i>	<i>Diplomatic Note</i>	<i>Approval Date</i>
Samoa	Ministry of Foreign Affairs Diplomatic Note 1/128	09/29/2001

Please notify the Chief Scientist of the following obligations to the clearance-granting coastal state(s):

**SUBMIT PCR FORM TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE END DATE OF THE CRUISE:** the form is available at <http://www.state.gov/www/global/oes/oceans/ntrvo66.html>. On this form, the Chief Scientist reports when the cruise data will be forwarded to the Department of State for distribution to the clearance-granting coastal states.

**SUBMIT CRUISE DATA TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT:** the Chief Scientist must provide the appropriate number of copies and translations of the data for each clearance granting coastal state. See Notices to Research Vessel Operators on the web to determine country-specific reporting requirements. All materials can be mailed to my attention at the address listed above.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If the Chief Scientist cannot supply the data to State prior to the deadlines indicated in their PCR Form (due to sampling error, cancelled cruise, or other condition), you must notify our office with a formal letter of explanation. If you need an extension of time for submitting data, please request an extension in writing and indicate your revised due date. Should I fail to receive a request for extension, I will contact you by fax at the end of each month to let you know which scientists you will need to encourage.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or modifications to this clearance.

3 pp total - see list re Tonga etc.



Note No. 01/128

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Samoa presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the latter's Note No. 27/01 of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2001, requesting diplomatic clearance for a research vessel RV Melville, and advising of the proposed date of arrival in the territorial waters of Samoa.

The Ministry is pleased to convey herewith diplomatic clearance for the RV Melville. It is understood that the RV Melville will arrive in Apia on the 29<sup>th</sup> October 2001. The Ministry regrets the delay in response to this request.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Samoa avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America  
APIA



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29 September 2001

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clarify which cruise  
(yayoi vs goetz's)*

**Tirpak, Elizabeth J (OES)**

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**From:** Holliday, Sherri A  
**Sent:** Monday, October 01, 2001 4:58 PM  
**To:** Tirpak, Elizabeth J (OES)(OA)  
**Subject:** FW: Melville to Suva 2 Oct?

**Importance:** High

Message from Suva follows:

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Seay, Edmond E  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 02, 2001 8:55 AM  
**To:** Tirpak, Elizabeth J (OES)(OA)  
**Cc:** Betts, Howard H; Vaughn, Lela S; Hodges, Christopher W  
**Subject:** FW: Melville to Suva 2 Oct?

Ms. Tirpak: I'm the "nice man who arranges clearance" in Suva to whom Ms. Wolfe refers below. Based on State 39955 and 00 State 147858, that's exactly what we did for the R/V Melville -- with an arrival date of October 6.

Now that we discover the arrival date is actually October 2, we find ourselves in an embarrassing position with our hosts. We will secure clearance today for this evening's arrival, but do you think in the future we could get a country clearance request cable which actually includes the arrival date of the vessel in question?

Tonga will grant clearance tomorrow, after their Cabinet approves it.

Regards,

***Ted Seay***  
*Political/Economic Chief*  
*U.S. Embassy*  
*Suva, Fiji Islands*

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Betts, Howard H  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 02, 2001 8:05 AM  
**To:** Seay, Edmond E  
**Subject:** FW: Melville to Suva 2 Oct?

FYI

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Glenn Pezzoli [SMTP:gpezzoli@ucsd.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 02, 2001 5:12 AM  
**To:** Carrie Wolfe  
**Cc:** bettshh@state.gov; howardbett@is.com.fj; droemmich@ucsd.edu  
**Subject:** Re: Melville to Suva 2 Oct?

Hi Carrie,

Glad you made it safe and sound.

Larry Eastman (MarFac) says the latest ETA (Sunday email) is 15:30lt 2oct.

All the best to Howard and his family.

Cheers,

-G

----- Original Message -----