

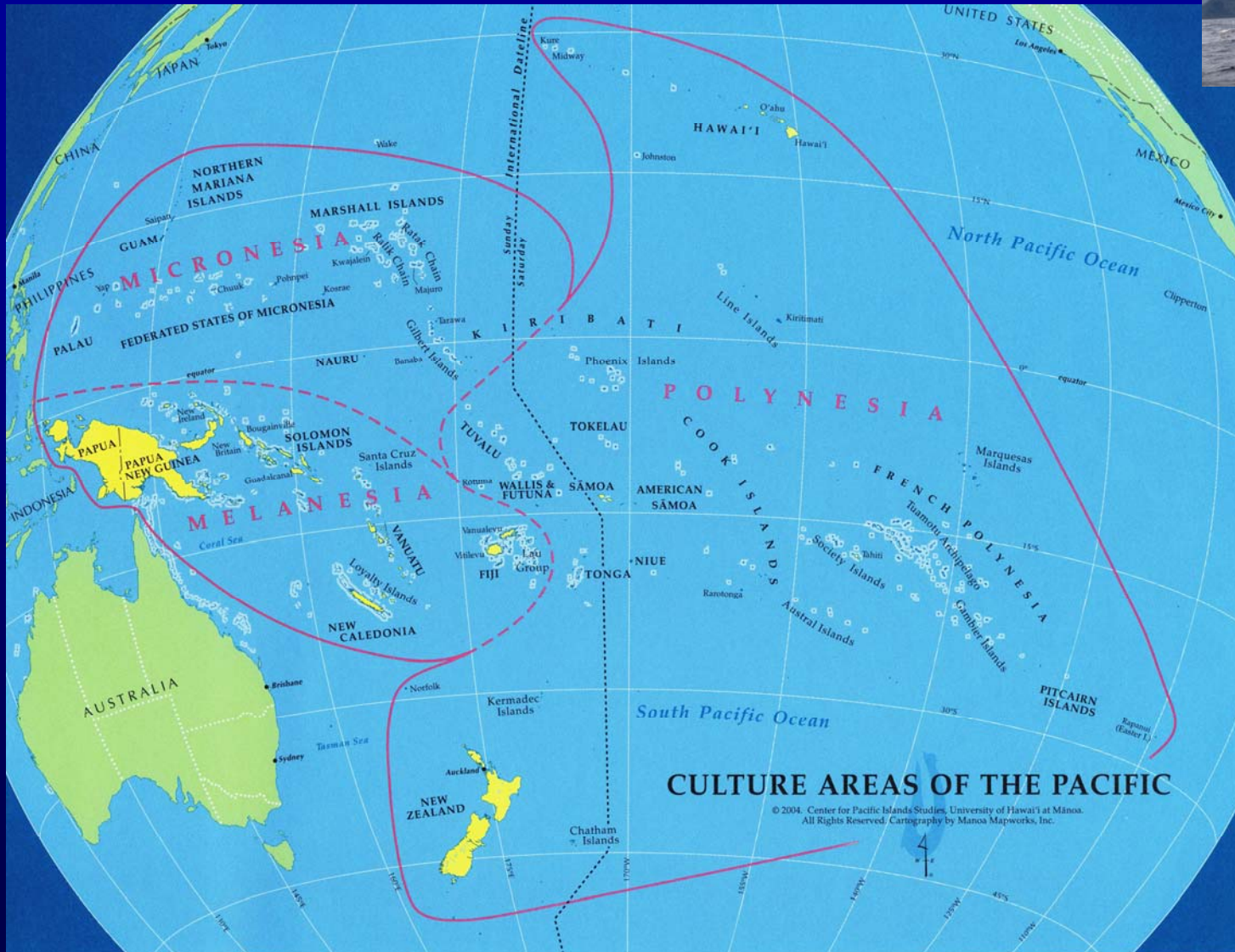
“Our Sea of Islands”

A Regional Forum for Oceania on Marine Managed Areas and World Heritage

28 January – 2 February 2007
Honolulu, Hawaii



Oceania



Purpose of the Forum



- Highlight current efforts to **protect important marine areas** in Oceania
- Share and expand **technical expertise**
- Develop balanced management practices by **incorporating science and customary practices**
- Build upon **established networks** in the Pacific

Work Sessions

- **Science – An Integral Element of Effective Management**
- Customary Marine Management Practices in Oceania
- **Marine Managed Area Representation**
- Remote Surveillance and Enforcement
- **Conservation Finance**
- World Heritage Designation



Communiqué



Summarizes Forum outcomes and recommends needed action:

- 1. Strengthen relationships and peer learning exchanges across Oceania**
- 2. Integrate customary resource management into national and regional marine management policies**
- 3. Ensure that scientific research is driven by local and national needs.**



NOAA's NMSP Commitments

- *Enforcement*
- *Building Local Research Capacity*
- *Building Management Capacity*





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