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## USP special council meeting resolves to terminate proceedings against VCP

President Lionel Aingimea chaired today's special council meeting of the University of the South Pacific in which members subsequently voted to move the motion to terminate proceedings initiated against the vice-chancellor and president, Professor Pal Ahluwalia.

The motion reads:

"The Council resolved that based on the detailed and painstaking work undertaken by the Special Executive Committee, that found as at 24 August 2020 there being no allegations where the consensus or clear majority view were deemed material, that the proceedings initiated against the vice-chancellor and president is terminated."

Today's meeting is a continuation of the special council meeting held on Friday, 3 July, convened to address allegations made against Professor Ahluwalia.

The special council stands adjourned until such a time when urgent matters may be raised by members. In the meantime, a notice will be issued by the secretariat calling for a normal meeting of the council.

President Aingimea commenced his term as the 28<sup>th</sup> chancellor of the USP on 1 July.

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