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To further support Palau's recent crowning as the world's top sustainable destination, the Palau Visitors Authority (PVA) continue to encourage sustainable tourism within state communities in Palau.

On Thursday March 28th 2019, PVA invited several community members from Ngarchelong and Ngatpang State to experience the successful progress of PVA's One Stop Shop program in Airai, coined as the *Airai State Cultural Tour*. Other fellow Pacific Islanders from the Pacific Island Health Officers Association who were in Palau for their 65th PIHOA Executive Board meeting also participated in this tour and expressed admiration of the tour.

The purpose of this invitation to state members was to encourage the "no plastic" initiative and to uncover methods to unite and involve village community members where they may reap directly from the benefits of tourism. Sustainable tourism is crucial to advocate in Palau because of its benefits to the host peoples, communities, culture, and customs without compromising the natural environment.

The women of Ngarchelong state are eager to incorporate an authentic Palauan culinary experience to the tour in Todai and Badrulchay. Ngarchelong state will soon launch their finalized tour to the PVA One Stop Shop program.



*Ngatpang state community at Luncheon in Chades ra Mechorei, Airai*



*Women of Ngarchelong state at Luncheon in Chades ra Mechorei, Airai*



*PIHOA (Pacific Island Health Officers Association) at Bai ra Rengarairrai*