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OMB/NHRI's human rights mandate allows it to look at various aspects of promoting and protecting human rights in Samoa. This includes awareness raising, monitoring of state compliance, reporting as well as engaging with various partners both locally and internationally to ensure that human rights of Samoans are respected and protected.

OMB/NHRI's is an 'A' status national human rights institution, operating in conformity with the Paris Principles.

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