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Statement by Ms. Gladice Pickering – Legal Attaché, during the Interactive Debates on the Universal Periodic Review of Nauru, 03 November 2015, 14h30 – 18h00

Mr. President,

Namibia welcomes the delegation of Nauru to the 23rd Session of the UPR and commends them on the presentation of their national report for this review.

Namibia is mindful of the challenges facing the Government and the People of Nauru as one of the most vulnerable States to the adverse impact of climate change.

We commend the Government of Nauru's *National Women's Policy (2014 – 2019)*, which is aimed at assisting the gender performance indicators and which provides a national framework for the articulation of areas of concern as identified.

Namibia makes the following recommendations:

1. That the Nauru Government continues dialogue and pro-active multilateral and bilateral negotiations with other States regarding offering of compensation and safe havens for them as their islands become uninhabitable and to continue to actively participate in climate change negotiations.
2. That Nauru considers ratification of the ICCPR and its Optional Protocols and takes all necessary measures to remove the provisions for the death penalty from its Constitution.
3. That Nauru takes active measures to review and amend national legislation in order to ensure gender equality and to combat and eliminate discrimination of women and girls in all settings.

We wish Nauru all the best during their review.

I thank you Mr. President

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