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Recommendations by Canada for the Republic of Palau's UPR

Recommendations

Canada recommends that Palau:

1. Establish an independent national human rights institution in Palau to lead, coordinate, develop capacity, and assist with human rights implementation.
2. Establish a national body to develop and coordinate services to address the rights of children and child protection issues; and ensure full implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.
3. Ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

Observations

Canada acknowledges the steps taken by Palau in the development of a national gender policy. Canada encourages Palau to use the process to promote national dialogue and awareness-raising on the issue of gender equity in decision-making at the highest levels of Government and in Congress. As part of this effort, Canada encourages Palau to develop policies to promote women's participation in national decision-making structures and processes.

Canada commends Palau for enacting the Family Protection Act and encourages the Government of Palau to raise awareness through public education among targeted audiences to ensure greater understanding and knowledge of its provisions.