

**Statement by the delegation of Nepal**

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**Mr. Vice President,**

Nepal welcomes the delegation of Tuvalu to the fourth cycle of the UPR and thanks them for the presentations of the comprehensive report.

We congratulate Tuvalu on the enforcement of the New Constitution this year.

We fully understand and acknowledge the challenges faced by Tuvalu due to climate change, as an impediment to achieving SDGs and economic progress.

While acknowledging institutional initiatives taken by Tuvalu to foster Human Rights, in the cooperative spirit, we would like recommend the following:

1. Ensure equal land rights and participatory guarantee for women.
2. Harmonize national legislations with its international Human Rights obligations.
3. Ensure that the National Human Rights Institution becomes fully functional in accordance with the Paris Principles.

We wish Tuvalu a successful review.

I thank you.