Madam President

Members of the Human Rights Council and

Members of the Troika – Cuba, Somalia and France,

1. I would like to express great appreciation for the work undertaken by the Council and the Universal Periodic Review Secretariat, including the 55 member countries who participated in the review. In addition, Madam President, we would like to thank you personally for your intervention in ensuring that the Universal Periodic Review of Nauru was undertaken in a timely manner as well as the conduct of the review.
2. The Republic of Nauru offers its sincere appreciation for the constructive dialogue that occurred during the Review of its 3rd Cycle Universal Periodic Review National Report at the 37th Session on 2nd February 2021. Nauru is pleased to hear the acknowledgment by the countries which participated in the review, on the legislative, administrative and other work that has been undertaken by the Republic after the 2nd Cycle Universal Periodic Review.
3. The Republic acknowledges the 156 recommendations from the Member States of which have been clustered by specific similarities to 117 recommendations. Out of this, a substantial number of the recommendations are likely to be accepted either as matters which the Republic is already undertaking or as part of broader *Nauru Sustainable Development Strategy* key result areas. This also includes the global commitment of the Republic under the various international treaties, conventions and protocols.
4. There are some recommendations which will require further consideration by various stakeholders. I will also state that there are a number of recommendations that the Republic has reservations on. The full response of the Republic on the recommendations will be submitted in a timely manner to the Secretariat.
5. These recommendations collectively are a positive feedback for the Republic to continue with its efforts in a constructive manner for the fulfilment, promotion and the development of human rights for the betterment of our people including the children, women and persons living with disabilities.
6. Madam President, like other member countries, Nauru does not have the answers to all the human rights issues or the recommendations made. However, we acknowledge that the progressive advancement of human rights infrastructure is necessary for the fulfilment of our national development goals. In doing so, Nauru acknowledges its lack of sufficient financial, administrative and technical resources. We urge the international bodies and bilateral partners for assistance so that the recommendations made in this review will be realised for the future.
7. On behalf of the people and Government of Nauru, I take this opportunity to thank the Council, the Secretariat and peer group members for providing assistance and guidance.

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