



**PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

Date: 29 June 2015

H. E. Joachim Rücker,
President
Human Rights Council
Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Geneva

Your Excellency,

CONSIDERATION FOR THE UPR OUTCOME : KIRIBATI

I have the honour to advise that the Republic of Kiribati is regrettably unable to participate at the current session of the Human Rights Council. I would therefore appreciate your assistance Mr. President in conveying the following outcome of the consideration of the UPR for Kiribati to the Council.

At the outset, Kiribati wishes to thank the Council for rescheduling the consideration of the outcome of the UPR for Kiribati to 1 July 2015. The process of consultation on the UPR outcome is an important process if we are to foster national ownership of these outcomes. For a small nation like Kiribati dispersed over 3.5 million square kilometres of ocean, the extensive consultation has been without challenges and has taken longer than expected. We therefore welcome the Council's understanding and decision to reschedule consideration of our UPR.

Having considered the outcome of the UPR for Kiribati, the following is the decision by Kiribati on the UPR outcome:

- a) 70 Recommendations have been **Accepted**, which are recommendations 32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,42,43,44,45,49,55,56,58,59,60,61,62,63,64,65,66,67,68,69,70,71,72,73,74,75,76,77,79,82,83,84,86,87,88,89,90,91,92,93,94,95,96,97,98,99,100,101,10

2,103,104,105,106,107,108,109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114 and 115. These recommendations have the full support of the Government of Kiribati.

b) 32 Recommendations have been **Considered**, and these are recommendations 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,13,14,15,16,17,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,41,46,47,48,54,57, and 85. The Government of Kiribati will assess and continue to work with key stakeholders including other Government ministries and departments, build capacity and provide necessary resources with a view to consider accepting such recommendations in the future.

c) Kiribati has taken **Note** of the remaining 13 Recommendations, 1,12,18,19,20,21,50,51,52,53,78,80, and 81).

A full report is attached on these recommendations and I would appreciate your assistance Mr. President in sharing these with the Council on our behalf.

Please accept Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely



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Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations