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NIUE AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

Alofi, Niue – 01 August 2023 – Today, the Government of Niue and the State of Israel officially established diplomatic relations, formalizing a new era of collaboration and mutual understanding between the two nations.

The Premier of Niue, Hon. Dalton Tagelagi, and His Excellency Ran Yaakoby, Ambassador of Israel to New Zealand and non-resident Ambassador to the Cook Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, signed a joint communiqué establishing diplomatic and friendly relations between Niue and the State of Israel.



The communiqué solidifies the commitment of the two nations to develop friendly relations and cooperation based on the principles of mutual respect for our rich history, resilience society and deep-rooted values of democracy, freedom and respect.

His Excellency, Ambassador Ran Yaakoby shared the significance of this milestone in bilateral relations stating “The State of Israel welcomes our new partner in diplomacy as we come together to pave the way for a promising future of friendship, understanding and cooperation between the two nations. This agreement not only strengthens our ties but also reflects our shared commitment to global peace and security to promote innovation, economic growth, and people-to-people connections for the benefit of both our societies”.

Both countries recognize the importance of engaging in dialogue and collaboration to tackle challenges such as regional security, economic development, and environmental sustainability. As diplomatic relations are formally established, the Government of Niue and the State of Israel eagerly anticipate embarking on a range of joint initiatives and diplomatic consultations to address shared concerns and opportunities.

In his response, Hon. Premier Dalton Tagelagi thanked H.E Ran Yaakoby and his Government acknowledging how this partnership will strengthen both nation's abilities to address common challenges and shared commitments. “Today is a historic day for the Government of Niue and Israel, as we embark on a journey of cooperation and understanding. By establishing diplomatic relations, we open the doors to a future of shared opportunities in areas such as technology, trade, education, and cultural exchange”.

The Ambassador for the State of Israel is optimistic that stronger cooperation between our countries will lead to a better future for our people.

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