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On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Nauru, I congratulate all states parties of the treaty on the prohibition of nuclear weapons on this auspicious occasion.

The Republic of Nauru signed the Treaty on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019, and deposited its instrument of ratification on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020. In line with our national position which is to never acquire nuclear weapons, the Republic of Nauru supports and recognizes the important role the treaty plays in achieving its goal towards total elimination of nuclear weapons.

The continued existence of nuclear weapons and the prospect of use or threat of use of such weapons continue to pose danger to humanity; therefore we reiterate our call to other countries to complete all steps for treaty ratification as soon possible.

Thank you