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**REQUEST FOR THE ADMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU
AS A MEMBER OF UNESCO**

1. By letter dated 1 November 1995 addressed to the Director-General, Honorable Bernard D. DOWIYOGO, President of the Republic of Nauru, applied on behalf of his government for the admission of the Republic of Nauru to membership of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.
2. The text of the above-mentioned letter as well as the Instrument of Acceptance are reproduced in the Annex.
3. In accordance with Rule 92 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, this application is accompanied by a statement that the Republic of Nauru undertakes to abide by the Constitution, to accept the obligations contained therein and to contribute to the expenses of the Organization.
4. Under the terms of Article II, paragraph 2, of the Constitution of UNESCO, States not members of the United Nations may be admitted to membership of the Organization, upon recommendation of the Executive Board, by a two-thirds majority vote of the General Conference.
5. At its 147th session, the Executive Board adopted the following decision:

The Executive Board,

1. Considering that the President of the Republic of Nauru has, on 1 November 1995, requested the admission of the Republic of Nauru to membership of UNESCO,
2. Having noted that the Republic of Nauru accepts UNESCO's Constitution and is ready to fulfil the obligations that will devolve upon it by virtue of its admission and to contribute towards meeting the expenses of the Organization,

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3. Decides pursuant to Article II, paragraph 2, of UNESCO'S Constitution, to recommend that the General Conference, at its twenty-eighth session, admit the Republic of Nauru to membership of the Organization;
4. Recommends that the General Conference adopt the following resolution:

The General Conference,

Considering that the President of the Republic of Nauru has, on 1 November 1995, requested the admission of the Republic of Nauru to membership of UNESCO,

Having noted that the Republic of Nauru accepts UNESCO'S Constitution and is ready to fulfil the obligations which will devolve upon it by virtue of its admission and to contribute towards meeting the expenses of the Organization,

Having noted that the Executive Board, at its 147th session, recommended the admission of the Republic of Nauru to membership of UNESCO,

Decides to admit the Republic of Nauru as a member of UNESCO.

6. Under the terms of Article II, paragraph 2, of the Constitution of UNESCO, and Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, it is now for the General Conference to decide whether to admit the Republic of Nauru to membership of UNESCO. In accordance with Article II, paragraph 2, of the Constitution and Rule 81, paragraph (a), of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, a majority of two-thirds is required for this purpose.

ANNEX

Republic of Nauru

Office of the President

1 November 1995

Mr F. Mayor
Director-General
UNESCO
7, Place de Fontenoy
75700 Paris

Sir,

Authorized by the Government of the Republic of Nauru I have the honour to inform you that the Republic of Nauru applies for membership of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

I take this opportunity to recall that the Republic of Nauru, an independent and sovereign State, is already taking part in the activities of several Specialized Agencies of the United Nations system as Member State and continues to strengthen international co-operation.

I wish to assure you that the Government of Nauru recognizes the Constitution of UNESCO and is ready to fulfil the obligations devolving on it as its member and contribute to the expenses of the Organization.

Convinced that you will submit the application of the Republic of Nauru for membership to the Executive Board and to the twenty-eighth session of the General Conference of UNESCO, I express the hope that the application by Nauru for admission will be received favorably.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed)

Hon. Bernard D. Dowiyogo
President
Republic of Nauru

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INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS the Constitution of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization was adopted by a Conference for the Establishment of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization held in London from 1 to 16 November 1945,

WHEREAS the said Constitution was amended by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its various sessions,

WHEREAS it is provided in Article XV of the Constitution that it shall be subject to acceptance,

NOW
THEREFORE the Government of the Republic of Nauru having considered the aforesaid Constitution as amended, hereby accept the same and undertake faithfully to carry out all the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS
WHEREOF this instrument of acceptance has been signed and sealed.

(signed)

Bernard D. Dowiyogo
President
Republic of Nauru

Done at Nauru on this first day of November 1995

(Seal)