



Protecting Climate-Resilient Coral Reefs: A High-Level Global Commitment

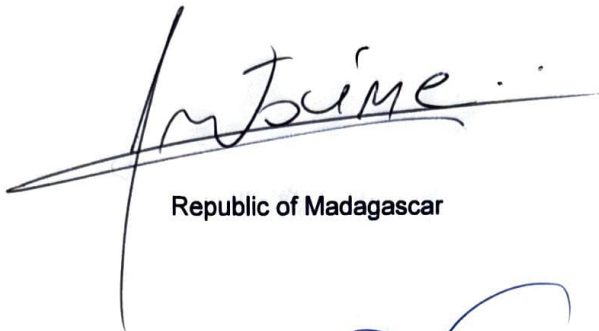
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In the face of this crisis, we commit to urgent, science-based, and measurable action to protect the world's most climate-resilient coral reefs—those with the greatest potential to survive and support the recovery of reef ecosystems in a warming world. At the same time, we reaffirm the vital importance of more vulnerable reef systems, which also require immediate investment and protection to support ecosystem function, human well-being, and equity.

We will:

- Integrate coral reef conservation into national biodiversity and climate strategies, including NBSAPs, NDCs, and relevant development plans, ensuring alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the Paris Agreement.
- Prioritize climate-resilient reefs within 30x30 commitments by identifying and protecting reefs most likely to persist and serve as recovery sources for the future.
- Strengthen national coral reef action plans and monitoring systems, building on existing mechanisms to reduce local threats, measure progress, and guide adaptive management.
- Enact and enforce policies to reduce land-based pollution, eliminate destructive and illegal fishing, and manage coastal development to minimize cumulative stress on reef ecosystems.
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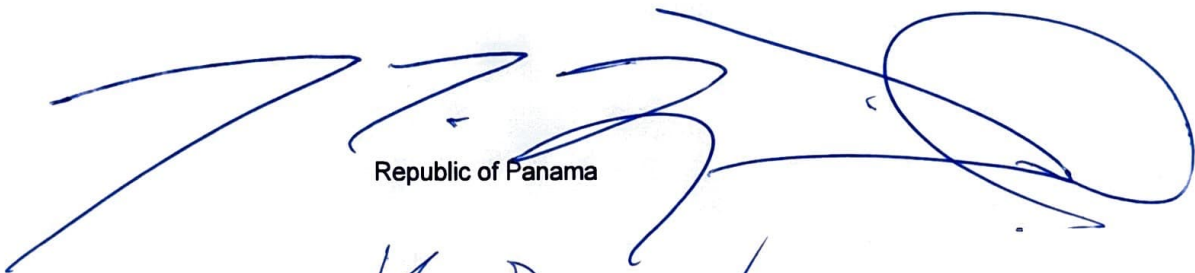
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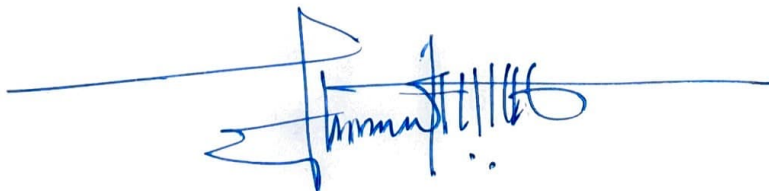
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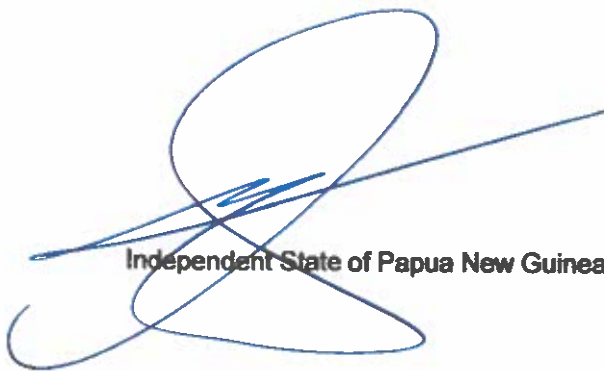
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Republic of Vanuatu



Signed by,



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Marina Silva

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Government of Fiji

Government of the Maldives



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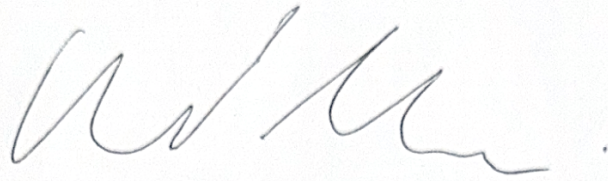
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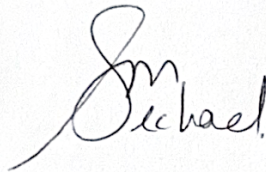
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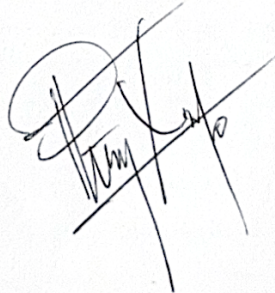
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Government of Fiji

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Government of the Maldives

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