



REPUBLIC OF NAURU

# NAURU COURT OF APPEAL (AMENDMENT) ACT 2020

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No. 24 of 2020

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An Act to amend the *Nauru Court of Appeal Act 2018*.

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Enacted by the Parliament of Nauru as follows:

**1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Nauru Court of Appeal (Amendment) Act 2020*.

**2 Commencement**

This Act commences on 15 November 2020.

**3 Amendment of the Nauru Court of Appeal Act 2018**

The *Nauru Court of Appeal Act 2018* is amended by the provisions of this Act.

**4 Amendment of Section 6**

Section 6 is amended by inserting new subsections (3), (4) and (5) as follows:

‘(3) Where the Court or a single Justice of Appeal is unable to sit in the Republic for the purposes of subsection (1), in urgent or exceptional circumstances, the Court or a single Justice of Appeal may sit to hear or make orders in a cause or matter from outside the Republic through audio visual link.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (3), the Registrar shall ensure that the legal practitioners or parties are available in the courtroom as if the court were sitting for a hearing in the Republic.

(5) For the purposes of this Section, ‘*exceptional or urgent circumstances*’ shall be determined by the Registrar:

(a) on the nature of an application filed in Court; and

(a) on any submissions by one or more parties to a cause or matter providing the exceptional or urgent circumstances.’