



Information Sheet for Nauruan Embassies

The Parliamentary By-Elections for the constituency of Ubenide will be held on Thursday the 19th of January, 2017 from 9:00am to 6:00pm.

The Electoral Act 2016 provides that a voter who is overseas can nominate another voter in Nauru to cast their vote for them.

Both Voters must be registered in the same District.

The Electoral Commission requests that all Nauruan citizens from the Constituency of Ubenide (Baitsi, Uaboe, Nibok and Denigomodu Districts) who are based overseas must register their proxy voting authorisations with the Commission.

Attached is an Application for Proxy Voting Authorisation Form to be filled and sent by email to registration@election.com.nr

The Proxy Application form is also available from the Electoral Commission website at election.com.nr

The Proxy Voting Regulations propose that the following people may witness a proxy application.

- (a) Nauru Permanent Representative to the United Nations (New York);
- (b) Nauru Ambassador to Republic of China (Taiwan— Taipei);
- (c) Nauru High Commissioner to Fiji (Suva);
- (d) Nauru Consul General to Australia (Brisbane);
- (e) Nauru Consul General to Thailand (Bangkok);
- (f) Nauru Honorary Consul to India (New Delhi);
- (g) Nauru Honorary Consul to the United Kingdom (London);
- (h) Nauru Honorary Consul to Belgium (Brussels);
- (i) Nauru Honorary Consul to Israel (Jerusalem);
- (j) a person in a country other than Nauru who is a legal practitioner, notary public, commissioner of oaths or justice of the peace under the law of the country;
- (k) any other person appointed by the Returning Officer to be a witness.

The following steps should be followed: -

- Ask the voter to complete Part A of the Application for Proxy Authorisation form, but not to sign it.
- Once completed, please check the form for completeness.
- Ask the voter to sign Part A of the Application for Proxy Authorisation form.
- Witness their signature and date and complete all the witness parts of the form.
- Photocopy the signed and completed form and give the copy to the voter.
- Advise the voter that you will scan and email the signed form to the Electoral Commission in Nauru
- Make a scanned copy in PDF form and email to registration@election.com.nr.
- Advise the voter to contact the person who they wish to cast their vote to come to the Electoral Commission Office in Aiwo to sign the form.
- The person in Nauru completes Part B - Consent of Proxy of the Application for Proxy Authorisation form.
- It is important to note that a person in Nauru can cast no more than 5 proxy votes plus their own.
- Once the form is authorised the Electoral Commission will return the form to the person in Nauru to present at the polling place on polling day
- There will also be a copy of the authorisation at the polling place for the District for which the proxy applicant and the voter are registered.

Election Results

The results of the election will be posted progressively on the Electoral Commission website from election night onwards. <http://election.com.nr/>

Thank You

The Electoral Commission would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Any inquiries can be directed through our emails above.

Attachments

- Proxy Voting Authorisation Form.
- Appointment as a Witness for Proxy Voting Authorisation.