

**NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS  
44TH CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2023**



Republic of the Marshall Islands  
*Jepilpilin Ke Ejukaan*

**RESOLUTION 90**

A **RESOLUTION** to by the people and Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands extending its profound appreciation for the consistently staunch support of the People and Government of Republic of China (Taiwan) as a true friend and ally to the Republic of the Marshall Islands individually, and calling on the United Nations to take immediate action to resolve the inappropriate exclusion of Taiwan's 23.5 million people from the United Nation system.

**WHEREAS**, the people of Taiwan boasts a vibrant democratic society and has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to promoting freedom, democracy and human rights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands and Republic of China (Taiwan) established full and formal diplomatic relations on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November, 1998, as two independent and sovereign states committed to the democratic governance of their respective people; and

**WHEREAS**, Taiwan has done much to foster development in the Republic of the Marshall Islands by providing financial assistance, technical expertise, training of human resources and valuable educational scholarships; and

**WHEREAS**, 78 years ago, the nations of the world came together to draft a charter that would stand the test of time. The first words of the United Nations Charter, "we the peoples," send a clear message: put people first. Today, we recognize the enduring importance of the Charter precisely because it was created on the principles of universality and equality and because it upholds fundamental human rights, respecting the dignity and worth of every individual-and

**WHEREAS**, we stand together today to commemorate the 78<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Nations and pledge to strengthen our commitment to upholding the core principles of the Charter, we must remember that the exclusion of the 23.5 million people of Taiwan is a breach of the organization's foundational values; and

**WHEREAS**, to fulfill our commitments to the human family, the United Nations must ensure that the 23.5 million people of Taiwan enjoy the same rights as the peoples of other nations. The people of Taiwan must not be left behind, nor should the contributions they can make be ignored; and

**WHEREAS**, the oft-cited legal basis for excluding Taiwan from the United Nations is Resolution 2758 (XXVI), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1971. However, this resolution does not address the issue of Taiwan's representation in the United Nations, nor does it state that Taiwan is part of the People's Republic of China. In fact, Taiwan is not, nor has it ever been, part of the PRC. It is regrettable that the United Nations continues to misuse and misinterpret Resolution 2758 to justify Taiwan's wrongful exclusion and isolation, thereby moving us farther away from the goals of this organization; and

**WHEREAS**, the discriminatory policy of the United Nations breaches Article 100 of the Charter, which stipulates that "in the performance of their duty the Secretary-General and the staff shall not seek or receive instructions from any government or from any other authority external to the Organization." It also violates the fundamental right to receive and impart information, provided for in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands believes that human rights must encompass all rights and include each and every human being. Therefore, the Republic of the Marshall Islands calls on the United Nations to take immediate action to secure unfettered access to United Nations premises for the 23.5 million people of Taiwan currently denied entry; and

**WHEREAS**, Taiwan located at a key position in the Asia-Pacific region, has long enjoyed close air transport ties with countries and areas in the region. Taiwan's 17 airports served millions of passengers. Some 92 airlines offered services to and from Taiwan, operating passenger and cargo flights on 313 routes connecting 149 cities around the world. Taiwan is an active stakeholder in the international civil aviation community. Thus, the Republic of the Marshall Islands supports Taiwan's meaningful participation in ICAO; and

**Whereas**, Taiwan has been excluded from INTERPOL for 39 years and lacking timely access to key intelligence shared via I-24/7 Global Police Communication System and the affiliated database concerning stolen and lost travel documents (SLTD); the Republic of the Marshall Islands stands by Taiwan's Participation in INTERPOL as an observer to share experiences and information in fighting transnational crime. No resolutions or arrangements by INTERPOL should override the aim of strengthening police cooperation and international safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands supports Taiwan's appeal in UNFCCC as an observer. Taiwan has assiduously implemented a plan to reduce carbon emissions, cultivated a sound framework for international development assistance and ready to share its experience and technology with other countries; the Republic of the Marshall Islands calls on all parties to look beyond political considerations and support Taiwan's professional, pragmatic and constructive participation in the UNFCCC; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic, having left no corner of the globe untouched, serves as a potent reminder of the interconnectedness of human societies. In the Declaration on the Commemoration of the 77<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations, governments and heads of state recognize this, acknowledging that "only by working together in solidarity can we end the pandemic and effectively tackle its consequences," and thus pledging to make the United Nations more inclusive and to leave no one behind as the world builds back better from the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands is determined to continue its partnership with the Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to fulfill its commitments to the Sustainable Development Goals. Since the onset of COVID-19, Taiwan has also provided financial support as well as medical resources and shared its expertise and experience with the Marshall Islands and other countries in the battle against the unprecedented global crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands fully supports Taiwan's efforts to be included in the World Health Organization. ROC (Taiwan) has been a key role player in COVID-19 resilience efforts globally have set exemplary prevention efforts and measures of the global pandemic to date. Therefore, we reiterate our message during the 74<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly that since the onset of COVID-19, ROC (Taiwan) has shown that is an indispensable part of the global health network and that Taiwan can help; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands urges that the United Nations should take immediate action to resolve the inappropriate exclusion of Taiwan's 23.5 million people from the United Nations system, cancel the United Nations' discriminatory policy against Taiwanese passport holders and journalists and ensure that Taiwan has the right to participate in an equal and dignified manner in meetings, mechanisms and activities related to the implementation of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and thus make contributions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of the Marshall Islands value our close and effective partnerships and would like to fully express her support with Taiwan and to ensure that these universal values continue to gain ground; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the people of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, through their Nitijela in its 44th Constitutional Regular Session, 2023, that the people and Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands extends its profound appreciation for the consistently staunch support of the People and Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) as a true friend and ally to the Republic of the Marshall Islands individually and in the International Society generally as a reliable partner in the promotion of international peace and prosperity; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the United Nations should ensure that Taiwan has the right to participate in an equal and dignified manner in meetings, mechanisms, and activities related to the implementation of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and thereby make contributions.

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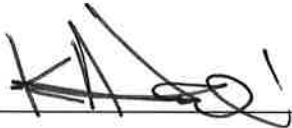
**CERTIFICATE**

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**I hereby certify:**

1. That Nitijela Resolution No: 90 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the 24th day of March 2023; and
2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Resolution No: 90 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 27th day of March 2023.



**Hon. Kenneth A. Kedi**  
Speaker  
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

**Attest:**



**Morean S. Watak**  
Clerk  
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands