

REPUBLIC OF NAURU

NAURU COURT OF APPEAL (AMENDMENT) ACT 2020

No. 24 of 2020

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.'