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## NIUE AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

**Manila, Philippines – 27 September 2022** – Today, Niue and the Republic of the Philippines formalised diplomatic relations at a ceremony held at the Reception Hall in Malacañang Palace in Manila.

The Premier of Niue, Hon. Dalton Tagelagi and the President of the Republic of the Philippines, Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr, signed a joint communiqué establishing diplomatic relations between the two countries.



The communiqué expresses the desire of both countries to develop friendly relations and cooperation based on the principles of mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-aggression, non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful coexistence.

Both countries also agreed to exchange representatives as soon as practicable and to provide the necessary assistance for the performance by the other's representatives of their functions in accordance with international practice and on the basis of principles of reciprocity, equality and mutual benefit.

Following the signing of the communiqué, the Premier and President discussed the strengthening of relations between the two nations.

Hon Dalton Tagelagi thanked President Marcos and his Government for their warm welcome and generous hospitality. He further expressed that the Philippines nationals in Niue are involved in key social and economic development sectors and valued members of the communities.

The President of the Philippines is optimistic that stronger cooperation between our countries will lead to a better future for our people.

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