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Subject: Danish Parliamentarian Visit

Dear Minister,

I wish to thank you for taking my call earlier today. I also thank the Nauru Government for assisting in preparing a comprehensive program for the scheduled visit by a group of Danish parliamentarians, members of the Parliamentary Committee for Immigration and Integration.

I also thank you for granting entry permits to 8 members of the delegation.

The full delegation is however very keen to visit Nauru. Therefore, I do appeal to you to also issue entry permits to the remaining three members of the delegation. As mentioned earlier the delegation is on a study visit to learn from the experiences of other countries.

I also appreciate that you accepted a conversation with the Chairman of the committee; I understand that the Chairman explained to you, Mr. Minister, that the comments made to the media by some of the Danish parliamentarians were mainly directed at Australian policies.

Furthermore, the Chairman has asked me to inform you, Mr. Minister, that on behalf of the Committee he will be prepared to meet your local media to explain the purpose of the visit to Nauru.

Finally, the Chairman emphasised that the visit to Nauru is to get a better understanding of the process of handling the asylum seeker situation in Nauru, he is prepared to issue a public Statement of the Chair explaining the purpose of the visit.

On this background I do hope Mr Minister, that you will reconsider your decision and be able to issue the remaining three entry permits and look foreward to hearing from you or your office.

Thank you for your attention.

Kind regards

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