



association for the prevention of torture  
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# Nauru

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## **OPCAT status**

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**OPCAT Ratification** : January 24, 2013

**UNCAT Ratification** : September 26, 2012

**NPM Designated** :

Under Consideration

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## **Information**

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**Population** : 9378 (est. 2012)

**Area (sq km)** : 21

**Number of prisons** : 1

**Prison population** : 20 (ICPS)

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## **Quick Links**

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UPR: [Report of the Working Group](#) (January 2011)

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## OPCAT Situation

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Shortly after having ratified the Convention against Torture (September 2012), Nauru took a step further in preventing torture and other ill-treatment and became the 67th State Party to the OPCAT in January 2013.

The SPT member June C. Pagaduan Lopez is the SPT Focal Point for Nauru.

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## OPCAT Ratification

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### Process

#### 2011-2013

In January 2011, Nauru was examined by the Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council. On that occasion, several States recommended Nauru to ratify the Convention against Torture and its Optional Protocol. A few months later, Nauru responded to those recommendations and [accepted](#) to take actions on those two instruments.

On 24 January 2013, Nauru deposited the instrument of accession to the OPCAT to the United Nations in New York. This action was made possible as Nauru had also joined the Convention against Torture a few months earlier (September 2012).