

BETWEEN:

QLN147
Appellant

and

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THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU
Respondent

APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

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I. INTERNET PUBLICATION

The Appellant certifies by his lawyers that this chronology is in a form suitable for publication on the Internet.

II. CHRONOLOGY

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1. On 10 October 2013, the Appellant left his home country of Sri Lanka and travelled to India. In June 2014, the Appellant travelled from India to Australia and arrived in Christmas Island, Australia in July 2014.
2. In July 2014, the Appellant was transferred from Christmas Island in Australia to the Republic of Nauru for the processing of his asylum claim. He was detained at a Regional Processing Centre.
3. On 17 September 2014, the Appellant was subject to a "transfer interview" (**Transfer Interview**).¹

¹ Book of Further Materials before the High Court of Australia (**Appellant's Book of Further Materials**), 4-18.

4. On 28 September 2014, the Appellant lodged an application for Refugee Status Determination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice and Border Control for the Republic of Nauru (**Secretary**).²
5. On 28 September 2014, the Appellant signed a statement in support of his application for Refugee Status Determination.³
6. On 11 October 2015, the Secretary determined that the Appellant was not a refugee under the *Refugees Convention Act 2012* (Nr) (**Refugees Act**), nor was he a person to whom the Republic of Nauru owed complementary protection.⁴
7. On 12 October 2015, the Appellant signed an acknowledgment that he had received notification of the Secretary's determination.⁵
8. On 22 October 2015, the Appellant lodged an application for merits review of this determination with the Refugee Status Review Tribunal (**Tribunal**).⁶
9. On 23 June 2016, the Appellant signed further statement in support of his application for merits review with the Tribunal. The signed further statement provided a response to the Secretary's determination and further outlined the Appellant's claims. This included an outline of the Appellant's claims of being at risk of persecution in Sri Lanka due to his race, imputed political opinions, membership of the particular social group of failed Tamil asylum seekers, and the Sri Lankan authorities' inability and unwillingness to protect him.⁷
10. On 28 June 2016, the Appellant's solicitors submitted a letter to the Tribunal on behalf of the Appellant in support of his application.⁸

² Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 19-39.

³ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 40-44.

⁴ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 65-79.

⁵ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 80-81.

⁶ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 82-83.

⁷ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 84-90.

⁸ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 91-191.

11. On 8 July 2016, the Appellant attended and gave evidence in support of his application at a Hearing before the Tribunal in Nauru.⁹
12. On 26 November 2016, the Tribunal affirmed the decision of the Secretary made on 11 October 2015 that the Republic of Nauru did not owe the Appellant protection obligations under the Refugees Act.¹⁰
- 10 13. On 12 December 2016, the Appellant signed an acknowledgment that he had received notification of the Tribunal's decision made on 26 November 2016.¹¹
14. On 16 January 2017, the Appellant filed a Notice of Appeal in the Supreme Court of Nauru dated 12 December 2016, against the decision of the Tribunal made on 26 November 2016.¹²
15. On 16 November 2017, the Appellant, assisted by legal Counsel, filed a Further Amended Notice of Appeal in the Supreme Court of Nauru.¹³
- 20 16. On 20 February 2018, Judge Marshall of the Supreme Court of Nauru made the Order that the decision of the Tribunal is affirmed pursuant to s 44(1)(a) of the Refugees Act.¹⁴
17. On 6 March 2018, the Appellant filed a Notice of Appeal in the High Court of Australia to appeal the whole judgment of Judge Marshall of the Supreme Court of Nauru made on 20 February 2018.¹⁵

⁹ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 192-244.

¹⁰ Core Appeal Book before the High Court of Australia (**Core Appeal Book**), 3-24.

¹¹ Appellant's Book of Further Materials, 245-246.

¹² Core Appeal Book, 25-26.

¹³ Core Appeal Book, 27-29.

¹⁴ Core Appeal Book, 30-43.

¹⁵ Core Appeal Book, 46-50.

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