

**THE REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI**



**PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE A STATE OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY TO PREPARE  
FOR AND MANAGE THE IMPACTS OF UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE (UXO)  
DISPOSAL OPERATIONS**

In exercise of the powers conferred to me by section 16(2) of the Constitution of Kiribati and acting in accordance with the advice of Cabinet, I hereby declare a State of Public Emergency for the whole of Betio in relation to the impacts of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Disposal Operations with immediate effect and shall continue for 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> September 2026 unless revoked or varied. Any legislation, directions or orders issued pursuant to this declaration shall be complied with.

Made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2026.

A blue ink signature of Taneti Maamau, written over a dotted line.

**TANETI MAAMAU**  
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Published and exhibited to the Public at the Office of Te Beretitenti this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2026.

A blue ink signature of Dr Naomi Biribo, written over a dotted line.

**Dr NAOMI BIRIBO**  
SECRETARY to the CABINET