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ON TOBACCO CONTROL

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1. ORIGIN OF THE REPORT

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2. TOBACCO CONSUMPTION AND RELATED HEALTH, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC INDICATORS

(with reference to Articles 19.2(a), 20.2, 20.3(a), 20.4(c) as well as Articles 6.2(a), 6.2(b), 6.3, 15.4, 15.5 and 17 as referred to in the respective subsections)

2.1	PREVALENCE OF TOBACCO USE		
2.1.1	Smoking prevalence in the adult population (all) <i>(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18-64 years; see 2.1.1.2)</i>		
		Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>	Average number of the most-consumed smoking tobacco product used per day
	MALES		
	Current smokers	24.0 %	
	Daily smokers	20.2 %	13.6
	Occasional smokers	3.8%	
	Former smokers	32.4 %	
	Never smokers	43.6%	
	FEMALES		
	Current smokers	8.4%	
	Daily smokers	5.8 %	9.2
	Occasional smokers	2.6 %	
	Former smokers	29.5 %	
	Never smokers	62.1%	
	TOTAL (males and females)		
	Current smokers	16.6 %	
	Daily smokers	13.3%	12.7
	Occasional smokers	3.2 %	
	Former smokers	31.0%	
	Never smokers	52.4%	

2.1.1.1	Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question 2.1.1:
	Smoking products include ANY tobacco products including cigarettes, cigars and pipes.
2.1.1.2	Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question 2.1.1 refer:
	Age 25-64 years
2.1.1.3	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.1:
	2011 WHO STEPS survey
2.1.1.4	Please provide the definitions of “current smoker”, “daily smoker”, “occasional smoker”, “former smoker” and “never smoker” used in this report.
	“current smoker” and “daily smoker” is not defined in the survey. The question is asked if a person “currently smokes” and if they respond “yes”, a follow up questions is asked if they currently smoke “daily”? “Occasional smoker” is someone who responded “yes” to current smoking, but “no” to daily smoking. A “former smoker” is someone who responded “yes” to ever smoke and “no” to current smoke. A “never smoker” responded “no” to the “ever smoke” question.
2.1.1.5	Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smoking prevalence in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.
	These new data will serve as baseline since previous data from 2003 is now very dated.

2.1.2	Smoking prevalence in the adult population (by age groups)		
	<i>(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)</i>		
		Age group (adults)	Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>
MALES			
Current smokers ¹		25-34	32.9 %
		35-44	19.8 %
	Add age group	45-54	22.0%
		55-64	21.0%
			%
FEMALES			
Current smokers ¹		25-34	8.5 %
		35-44	7.4%
	Add age group	45-54	9.3%
		55-64	8.7%
			%
TOTAL (males and females)			
Current smokers ¹		25-34	21.3 %
		35-44	13.8%
	Add age group	45-54	15.9 %
		55-64	15.3 %
			%

¹ Please provide here data on either all current smokers or daily smokers only, whichever is available.

2.1.2.1	Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question 2.1.2:
	Smoking products include ANY tobacco products including cigarettes, cigars and pipes.
2.1.2.2	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.2:
	2011 Palau WHO STEPS survey
2.1.2.3	Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current smoking prevalence by age group in the past two years or since submission of your last report, if data are available.
	These data will serve as baseline for future monitoring of adult tobacco use in Palau as previous data is from 2003.

2.1.3	Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (all) <i>(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered in 2.1.3.2, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18–64 years; see 2.1.3.2)</i>	
		Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>
	MALES	
	Current users	60.4%
	Daily users	56.9%
	Occasional users	3.5%
	Former users	%
	Never users	%
	FEMALES	
	Current users	65.9%
	Daily users	64.4%
	Occasional users	1.5%
	Former users	%
	Never users	%
	TOTAL (males and females)	
	Current users	63.0%
	Daily users	60.5%
	Occasional users	2.6%
	Former users	%
	Never users	%

2.1.3.1	Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question 2.1.3:
	These products include only tobacco that is chewed with betelnut – it could be cigarettes or any other form of tobacco that is added to the betel quid
2.1.3.2	Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question 2.1.3 refer:
	25-64 years
2.1.3.3	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.3:
	2011 Palau WHO STEPS survey
2.1.3.4	Please provide the definitions of “current user”, “daily user”, “occasional user”, “former user” and “never user” (of smokeless tobacco products) used in this report in the space below.
	<p>For the STEPS survey that collects adult data, a definition is not provided in the instrument. The questions state: <i>Do you currently chew betel nut with tobacco?</i> and <i>Do you currently chew betel nut with tobacco daily?</i></p> <p>For the youth data, “current use” means the respondent has smoked a cigarette or used chewing tobacco, snuff or dip on at least 1 day in the past 30 days before the survey.</p> <p>For question 2.1.3, there is not a distinction between “former user” and “never user”. However, 39.9% of males are “non-current users” which combines “never” and “former” users. For females, this rate is 34.1% and 37.0% for both.</p>
2.1.3.5	Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smokeless tobacco use in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.
	This 2011 Palau WHO STEPS data will serve as baseline for future reports.

2.1.4	Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (current users) by age group	
	<i>(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)</i>	
		Age group (adults)
		Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>
	MALES	
	Current users ²	25-34
	Add age group	35-44
		45-54
		55-64
		%
	FEMALES	
	Current users ²	25-34
	Add age group	35-44
		45-54
	55-64	
	%	
TOTAL (males and females)		
Current users ²	25-34	
Add age group	35-44	
	45-54	
	55-64	
	%	

² Please provide data on either all current users or daily users only, whichever is available.

2.1.4.1	Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in the answer to question 2.1.4:
	These products only include only tobacco products that are chewed with betelnut – most commonly cigarettes, loose or chewing tobacco.
2.1.4.2	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.4:
	2011 Palau WHO STEPS survey
2.1.4.3	Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current use of smokeless tobacco by adult age groups in the past two years or since submission of your last report.
	This data will serve as baseline for future reporting.

2.1.5		Tobacco use by ethnic group(s)			
	Ethnic group(s)	Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>			
		Males	Females	Total (males and females)	
Current users ³		%	%	%	
		%	%	%	
	Add ethnic group	%	%	%	
		%	%	%	
		%	%	%	
2.1.5.1	Please indicate the tobacco products included in the answer to question 2.1.5:				
2.1.5.2	Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question 2.1.5 refer:				
2.1.5.3	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.5:				

³ Please provide data on either all current users or daily users only, whichever is available.

2.1.6	Tobacco use by young persons			
	Age range	Prevalence (%) <i>(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)</i>		
		Smoking tobacco	Smokeless tobacco	Other tobacco (e.g. water pipe)
Boys				
Current users ⁴	High School	57.3%	34.5%	%
Add youth group	Middle School	46.2%	36.5%	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
Girls				
Current users ⁴	HS	38.5%	30.8%	%
Add youth group	MS	36.2 %	29.9 %	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
TOTAL (boys and girls)				
Current users ⁴	HS	47.0 %	32.5 %	%
Add youth group	MS	41.2%	33.2 %	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
		%	%	%
2.1.6.1	Please indicate the tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question 2.1.6:			
	<p>“Tobacco products smoked” include only cigarettes. For “smokeless use”, this includes chewing tobacco, snuff or dip. It is likely that Palauan youth who use tobacco with betelnut respond positively to this question (i.e., they will respond “yes” if they add any tobacco product to their betel quid).</p>			

⁴ Please provide data on either all current users or daily users only, whichever is available.

2.1.6.2	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.1.6:
	The data for High School youth come from the 2011 Youth Risk Behaviour Study (YRBS) and for the Middle School, the data is from the 2009 YRBS. Complete results for both can be found at CDC’s Youth Online site: http://nccd.cdc.gov/youthonline/App/Default.aspx?SID=HS
2.1.6.3	Please provide the definition of “current smoking/tobacco use” used to answer question 2.1.6 in the space below.
	For the youth data, “current use” means the respondent has smoked a cigarette or used chewing tobacco, snuff or dip on at least 1 day in the past 30 days before the survey.
2.1.6.4	Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in tobacco use by young persons in the past two years or since submission of your last report.
	Youth smoking rates have risen while chewing with betelnut has gone down slightly.

2.2	EXPOSURE TO TOBACCO SMOKE
2.2.1	Do you have any data on exposure to tobacco smoke in your population? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2.2.2	If you answered “Yes” to question 2.2.1, please provide details in the space below (e.g. exposure by gender, at home, in the workplace, on public transport).
	Adults exposed to ETS 1 or more days in the past 7 days at HOME : Men: 34.4%, Women: 32.1%, Both: 33.5%/ Adults exposed to ETS 1 or more days in the past 7 days at WORK : Men: 35.7%, Women: 12.8%, Both: 27.1%
2.2.3	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.2.1:
	2011 Palau WHO STEPS survey data

2.3	TOBACCO-RELATED MORTALITY
2.3.1	Do you have information on tobacco-related mortality in your population? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
2.3.2	If you answered “Yes” to question 2.3.1, what is the estimated total number of deaths attributable to tobacco use in your population?
2.3.3	If available, please provide any additional information on mortality attributable to tobacco use (e.g. lung cancer, cardiovascular diseases) in your jurisdiction.
2.3.4	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer questions 2.3.2 and 2.3.3, and please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

2.4 TOBACCO-RELATED COSTS	
2.4.1	Do you have information on the economic burden of tobacco use in your population, e.g. the overall cost of tobacco use imposed on your society? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
2.4.2	If you answered “Yes” to question 2.4.1, please provide details (e.g. direct (health care-related) and indirect costs and, if possible, the method used to estimate these costs).
2.4.3	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.4.2, and please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

2.5 SUPPLY OF TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS <i>(with reference to Articles 6.2(b), 20.4(c), and 15.5)</i>																																																																								
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2.5.2	Please provide information on the volumes of duty-free sales (e.g. product, unit, quantity), if available.																																																																							

	<p>Volume of duty-free sales is not available. Effective 01 January, 2014, per RPPL 9-15 (see Annex), “a person arriving in the Republic by common carrier may import into Palau free of taxation under subsection (a) one of the following; one opened pack of cigarettes, one cigar not exceeding 15 grams; or up to fifteen grams of loose tobacco, chewing tobacco, or pipe tobacco in an opened package” Section 27 of the legislation stipulates that “no person or entity is exempt from the tobacco excise tax. Any tax exemption enacted prior to the effective date of this section shall not be construed to create an exemption to the tobacco excise tax.”</p>
2.5.3	<p>Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer questions 2.5.1 and 2.5.2:</p> <p>Data regarding imports is from 2012 and was provided by the Ministry of Finance, Division of Customs, 2012.</p> <p>Regarding the new duty free restrictions, RPPL 9-15 is public information.</p> <p>For question 2.5.1 “other tobacco products” means any tobacco product that is NOT a cigarette (includes cigars, loose tobacco, etc.)</p>

2.6		SEIZURES OF ILLICIT TOBACCO PRODUCTS <i>(with reference to Article 15.5)</i>			
2.6.1		Year	Product	Unit (e.g. millions of pieces)	Quantity seized
	Smoking tobacco products <input type="button" value="Add row"/>	2011	cigarettes	cartons	2,205
		2013	cigarettes	cartons	14
	Smokeless tobacco products <input type="button" value="Add row"/>				
	Other tobacco products <input type="button" value="Add row"/>				
	2.6.2	Do you have any information on the percentage of illicit tobacco products on the national tobacco market? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	2.6.3	If you answered "Yes" to question 2.6.2, what percentage of the national tobacco market do illicit tobacco products constitute? %			
2.6.4	If you answered "Yes" to question 2.6.3 and you have information available, what is the trend over the past two years or since submission of your last report in the percentage of illicit tobacco products in relation to the national tobacco market?				
2.6.5	Please provide any further information on illicit tobacco products.				
	The seizure in 2011 of 2,205 cartons represents the actual amount seized at that time. The perpetrator cooperated in the investigation which revealed that there had been 14,685 cartons of cigarettes brought in illegally since 2009 through this operation. The seizure of 14 cartons in 2013 is an ongoing investigation.				
2.6.6	Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions in section 2.6:				
	Office of the Attorney General				

2.7		TOBACCO-GROWING
2.7.1	Is there any tobacco-growing in your jurisdiction? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
2.7.2	If you answered "Yes" to question 2.7.1, please provide information on the number of workers involved in tobacco-growing. If available, please provide this figure broken down by gender.	

	Tobacco growing in Palau is at a very small scale at this time.
2.7.3	Please provide, if available, the share of the value of tobacco leaf production in the national gross domestic product.
2.7.4	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer questions in section 2.7:

2.8	TAXATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS <i>(with reference to Articles 6.2(a) and 6.3)</i>				
2.8.1	What proportion of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of taxes (e.g. sum of excise, sales and import duties (if applicable) and value added tax/goods and services tax (VAT/GST))? 70%				
2.8.2	How are the excise taxes levied (what types of taxes are levied)?				
	• Specific tax only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
	• Ad valorem tax only	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	• Combination of specific and ad valorem taxes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	• More complex structure (<i>please explain:</i>)				
2.8.3	If available, please provide details on the rates of taxation for tobacco products at all levels of Government and be as specific as possible (specify the type of tax, e.g. VAT, sales, import duties)				
		Product	Type of tax	Rate or amount	Base of tax ⁵
	Smoking tobacco products	cigarettes	excise	\$3.50/.017 kg	.017kg
	<input type="button" value="Add product"/>				
	Smokeless tobacco products	all	excise	\$3.50/.017 kg	.017 kg
	<input type="button" value="Add product"/>				
	Other tobacco products	all	excise	\$3.50/.017 kg	.017 kg
	<input type="button" value="Add product"/>				

⁵ The “base of the tax” should clearly indicate the tax rate or amount the tax is based on. If the tax is expressed as a percentage (e.g. ad valorem tax), the base of the tax is the actual value of the good that is taxed; for example, 45% of the manufacturer’s price, 30% of the retail price. In this case the “base” is the manufacturer’s price or retail price. If the tax is expressed as an amount (e.g. specific tax), the base of the tax is the volume (number of pieces or by weight) of goods that is taxed. For example, if a tax is US\$ 5 per 100 cigarettes, the amount of tax is US\$ 5 and the base of the tax is 100 cigarettes.

2.8.4	Please briefly describe the trends in taxation for tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.
	New legislation (RPPL 9-7 passed July 31, 2013) changed the taxation of cigarettes and all other tobacco products to a weight based rate so all tobacco products are taxed similarly. Other new legislation (RPPL 9-15 passed in September, 2013) set a tax increase effective January 2014 (an increase of \$1.50 to the existing \$2.00 for a total tax of \$3.50 on a pack of 20 cigarettes). Another increase of \$1.50 will take effect in January, 2015. At that time, cigarettes and other tobacco products will be taxed at a rate of \$5.00/.017 kg. Packs weighing less than .017 kg will be taxed at the rate of \$5.00/pack. In 2013, Palau observed World No Tobacco Day using the theme of raising tobacco taxes. All associated activities promoted this theme which resulted in raised public awareness on the issue.
2.8.5	Do you earmark any percentage of your taxation income for funding any national plan or strategy on tobacco control in your jurisdiction? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>(In reference to Article 26)</i>
2.8.6	If you answered “Yes” to question 2.8.5, please provide details in the space below.
2.8.7	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer questions 2.8.1 to 2.8.6:
	New legislation was passed in 2013 and is Palau Public Law (RPPL 9-7 and RPPL 9-15) available to the public from the legislature. RPPL 9-15 is included in the Annex. On 2.8.1: Tax is now \$3.50/pack of 20 sticks, most common price is about \$4.95. Therefore tax proportion is 70%

2.9	PRICE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS <i>(with reference to Article 6.2(a))</i>					
2.9.1	Please provide the retail prices of the three most widely sold brands of domestic and imported tobacco products at the most widely used point of sale in your capital city.					
		Most widely sold brand			Number of units or amount per package	Retail price
		Smoking tobacco products	Smokeless tobacco products	Other tobacco products		
	Domestic	White Crocodile			20	2.85

	Imported	Marlboro			20	5.25
		Doral			20	5.25
		Carnival			20	4.85
			Redman		3 ounces	17.25
2.9.2	Please indicate the year and source of the data used to answer question 2.9.1.					
	Year: 2014. Source: MOH consulted local vendors to inquire about retail prices.					
2.9.3	Please provide the currency used to complete the “Rate or amount” section of question 2.8.3 and the “Retail price” section of question 2.9.1. If known, please provide the exchange rate of this currency to US dollars as well as the date of this exchange rate.					
	USD					
2.9.4	Please briefly describe the trend in the prices of tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.					
	The price of smokeless tobacco rose significantly in July, 2013 when legislation changed the tax of these products to the same rate as cigarettes – all products taxed by weight. Prices increased in January 2014 on all tobacco products with the addition of another \$1.50/pack tax. Previous tax increase had been in 2003 – thus the real price of tobacco products had been going down. Since January, 2014, the prices have risen on all products.					

3. LEGISLATION, REGULATION AND POLICIES

3.1	Article	GENERAL OBLIGATIONS (with reference to Article 5)		
3.1.1	5	General obligations		
3.1.1.1	5.1	Have you developed and implemented comprehensive multisectoral national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes in accordance with the Convention?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.1.2		If you answered “No” to question 3.1.1.1, have you partially developed and implemented tobacco control strategies by including tobacco control in national health, public health or health promotion strategies, plans and programmes?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.1.3		If you answered “No” to question 3.1.1.2, is any aspect of tobacco control that is referred to in the Convention included in any national strategy, plan or programme?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.1.4	5.2(a)	<p>Have you established or reinforced and financed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a focal point for tobacco control • a tobacco control unit • a national coordinating mechanism for tobacco control 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.1.5		<p>If you answered “Yes” to any of the questions under 3.1.1.4, please provide details (e.g. the nature of the national coordinating mechanism, the institution to which the focal point for tobacco control or the tobacco control unit belongs).</p> <p>As identified in the FCTC needs assessment of 2011, the Ministry of Health has established a Tobacco Use and Prevention Program which now has a full time staff of 6 persons funded by the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC). This unit is housed within Public Health’s Division of Behavioural Health. From within this unit, a WHO tobacco control focal point has been identified. No formalized national coordinating mechanism has yet been established.</p>		
3.1.1.6		<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.1 and 5.2 (<i>General obligations</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p> <p>Progress is ongoing in 2014 as new plans (for both tobacco control and NCDs) are being developed as well as efforts taking place to establish a coordinating mechanism.</p>		

3.1.1.7	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.
	<p>With reference to Q 5.1, the 2011 FCTC needs assessment identifies a gap that such a FCTC implementation plan does not exist. There will be an effort in 2014 to establish a multisectoral coordinating mechanism and to develop a plan to implement the Convention. Other planning activity is currently ongoing in 2014 including an update of the National NCD plan and the Ministry of Health Public Health plan. These plans will be submitted to the FCS when they are completed. The draft NCD plan includes FCTC implementation as an objective.</p>

3.1.2	5.3	<p>Protection of public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry</p> <p><i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i></p>		
		<p>Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:</p>		
3.1.2.1		– protecting public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.2.2		– ensuring that the public has access, in accordance with Article 12(c), to a wide range of information on tobacco industry activities relevant to the objectives of the Convention, such as in a public repository?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.1.2.3	<p>If you answered “Yes” to any of the questions under 3.1.2.1 or 3.1.2.2, please provide details in the space below.</p>			
3.1.2.4	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.3 in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p> <p>Palau observed World No Tobacco Day in 2012 using the theme of tobacco industry interference. All activities were designed to raise public awareness of industry interference (e.g., ads aired on local television, newspaper articles, walk/run, radio call in shows, etc.). Partners also developed short videos that were aired on local TV designed to raise awareness of different aspects of tobacco industry interference.</p>			
3.1.2.5	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 5.3 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>			
3.1.2.6	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p>			

3.2	Article	MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF DEMAND FOR TOBACCO (with reference to Articles 6–14)		
3.2.1	6	Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco (Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.2.1.1	6.2(a)	– tax policies and, where appropriate, price policies on tobacco products so as to contribute to the health objectives aimed at reducing tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.1.2	6.2(b)	– prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, sales to international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.1.3		– prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, imports by international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.1.4	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 6 (<i>Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			
	Effective 01 January, 2014, per RPPL 9-15 (see Annex), “a person arriving in the Republic by common carrier may import into Palau free of taxation under subsection (a) one of the following; one opened pack of cigarettes, one cigar not exceeding 15 grams; or up to fifteen grams of loose tobacco, chewing tobacco, or pipe tobacco in an opened package” Section 27 of the legislation stipulates that “no person or entity is exempt from the tobacco excise tax. Any tax exemption enacted prior to the effective date of this section shall not be construed to create an exemption to the tobacco excise tax.”			
3.2.1.5	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.			

3.2.2	8.2	<p>Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke</p> <p><i>(Please check "Yes" or "No". For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i></p>		
		<p>Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:</p>		
3.2.2.1		<p>– banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places ?</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.2.2		<p>If you answered "Yes" to question 3.2.2.1, what is the type/nature of the measure providing for the ban?</p>		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • national law 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • subnational law(s) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • administrative and executive orders 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • voluntary agreements 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • other measures (<i>please specify:</i>) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.2.3		<p>Please provide a brief explanation of the type/nature and content of the measures providing for the ban.</p>		
		<p>See national legislation RPPL 8-27 Section 13 (previously submitted) and amendment to this legislation which is RPPL 9-6 Section 13 (see Annex) regarding regulations. The legislation does allow for DSR in restaurants, hotels, bars, and clubs.</p>		
3.2.2.4		<p>If you answered "Yes" to any options in 3.2.2.2, do any of these measures provide for a mechanism/ infrastructure for enforcement?</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.2.5		<p>If you answered "Yes" to question 3.2.2.4 please provide details of this system.</p>		
		<p>Enforcement at this time is primarily the responsibility of the Ministry of Justice.</p>		

3.2.2.6	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.2.1, please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.	Complete	Partial	None
Indoor workplaces:				
• government buildings		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• health-care facilities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• educational facilities ¹		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• universities		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• private workplaces		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• other (<i>please specify:</i>)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public transport:				
• airplanes		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• trains		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• ferries		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• ground public transport (buses, trolleybuses, trams)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• motor vehicles used as places of work (taxis, ambulances, delivery vehicles)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• private vehicles		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• other (<i>please specify:</i>)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

¹ except universities

	Indoor public places:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cultural facilities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> shopping malls <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> pubs and bars <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> nightclubs <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> restaurants <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> other (<i>please specify:</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.2.2.7	<p>Please provide a brief summary of complete and partial measures, with specific details of the partial measures that have been implemented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces <p>Designated smoking areas are allowed in restaurants, clubs, bars, and hotels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Banning tobacco smoking in public transport <p>Smoking is allowed in outdoor areas of ferries. The Tobacco Act only applies to flights originating and ending in Palau – in other words, interisland flights.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Banning tobacco smoking in indoor public places <p>RPPL 8-27 bans smoking in indoor public places.</p>
3.2.2.8	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 8 (<i>Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p> <p>RPPL 8-27 came into effect in February, 2012. In general, there is good compliance with the smoke free provisions of the law. Enforcement training took place in May 2013.</p>
3.2.2.9	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 8 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 8 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>
3.2.2.10	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p> <p>Palau has no universities, shopping malls, or trains.</p>

3.2.3	9	Regulation of the contents of tobacco products <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.2.3.1		– testing and measuring the contents of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.3.2		– testing and measuring the emissions of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.3.3		– regulating the contents of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.3.4		– regulating the emissions of tobacco products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.3.5	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 9 (<i>Regulation of the contents of tobacco products</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			
3.2.3.6	USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 9 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary .			
3.2.3.7	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.			

3.2.4	10	<p>Regulation of tobacco product disclosures</p> <p><i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i></p>		
		<p>Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:</p>		
3.2.4.1		<p>– requiring manufacturers or importers of tobacco products to disclose to Government authorities information about the:</p>		
		<p>• contents of tobacco products?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<p>• emissions of tobacco products?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.4.2		<p>– requiring public disclosure of information about the:</p>		
		<p>• contents of tobacco products?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<p>• emissions of tobacco products?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.4.3	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 10 (<i>Regulation of tobacco product disclosures</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p>			
3.2.4.4	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 10 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>			
3.2.4.5	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p>			

3.2.5	11	Packaging and labelling of tobacco products		
		<i>(Please check "Yes" or "No". For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.2.5.1	11	– requiring that packaging, individual cigarettes or other tobacco products do not carry advertising or promotion?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.2	11.1(a)	– requiring that packaging and labelling do not promote a product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression about its characteristics, health effects, hazards or emissions?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.3	11.1(b)	– requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.4	11.1(b)(i)	– ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.5	11.1(b)(ii)	– ensuring that the health warnings are rotated?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.6	11.1(b)(iii)	– ensuring that the health warnings are clear, visible and legible?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.7	11.1(b)(iii)	If you answered "" to question 3.2.5.6, does your law mandate, as a minimum, a style, size and colour of font to render the warning clear, visible and legible?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.8	11.1(b)(iv)	– ensuring that the health warnings occupy no less than 30% of the principal display areas?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.9		– ensuring that the health warnings occupy 50% or more of the principal display areas?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.10	11.1(b)(v)	– ensuring that health warnings are in the form of, or include, pictures or pictograms?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

3.2.5.11		If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.5.10, does the Government own the copyright to these pictures and pictograms?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.12		If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.5.10, would you grant a non-exclusive and royalty-free licence for the use of health warnings developed in your jurisdiction with other Parties?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.13	11.2	– requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products contain information on relevant:		
		• constituents of tobacco products	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• emissions of tobacco products	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.14	11.3	– requiring that the warnings and other textual information appear on each unit packet and package and on any outside packaging and labelling in the principal language or languages of the country?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.5.15	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 11 (<i>Packaging and labelling of tobacco products</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			
3.2.5.16	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 11 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 11 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>			
3.2.5.17	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to or not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.			

3.2.6	12	<p>Education, communication, training and public awareness</p> <p><i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i></p> <p>Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:</p>		
3.2.6.1	12(a)	– educational and public awareness programmes? <i>(Please refer to programmes implemented since submission of your two-year report.)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.2		If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.6.1, to whom are these programmes targeted?		
		• adults or the general public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• children and young people	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• men	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• women	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• pregnant women	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• ethnic groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• other <i>(please specify:)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.3		If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.6.1, do you reflect the following key differences among targeted population groups in educational and public awareness programmes?		
		• age	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• gender	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• educational background	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• cultural background	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• socioeconomic status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• other <i>(please specify:)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

3.2.6.4	12(b)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.6.1, do these educational and public awareness programmes cover:		
		• health risks of tobacco consumption?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• health risks of exposure to tobacco smoke?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• benefits of the cessation of tobacco use and tobacco-free lifestyles?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	12(f)	• adverse economic consequences of		
		- tobacco production?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		- tobacco consumption?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
• adverse environmental consequences of				
- tobacco production?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		- tobacco consumption?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.5	12(e)	– awareness and participation of the following agencies and organizations in development and implementation of intersectoral programmes and strategies for tobacco control:		
		• public agencies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• nongovernmental organizations not affiliated with the tobacco industry?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• private organizations?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• other (<i>please specify:</i>)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.6	12	Are the elaboration, management and implementation of communication, education, training and public awareness programmes guided by research and do they undergo pre-testing, monitoring and evaluation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.7	12(d)	Are appropriate and special training or sensitization and awareness programmes on tobacco control addressed to:		
		• health workers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• community workers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• social workers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • media professionals? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • educators? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • decision-makers? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • administrators? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • other (<i>please specify: law enforcement officers</i>)? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.6.8	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 12 (<i>Education, communication, training and public awareness</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p> <p>One of Palau’s successful campaigns was a media and outreach campaign targeting youth and the general public called “mosuub”, which means “observe and apply” in the Palauan language. It began as a Tobacco Roundtable effort within the Ministry of Health and our partners, as well as a focus group with youth. A campaign titled “Our Future Doesn’t Depend on Tobacco” was also conducted within elementary schools in response to the traditional Council of Chief’s Declaration to ban tobacco products. “Our Future” featured presentations and posters given to the schools. We also began to target pregnant women and nursing mothers through a poster and brochure. The design has “onesies” with the ailments babies can get from a mother who is using tobacco during pregnancy or breastfeeding, and the caption reads “if you are using tobacco during pregnancy or breastfeeding, you are giving your baby something other than love.” Contact information for information or quitting tobacco use was printed on the poster.</p> <p>A youth-oriented FaceBook page was started (SMART KIDS) that now has close to 900 “friends”. Prevention messages have also been developed with the Palau National Olympic Committee targeting athletes. Non-governmental organizations have also contributed to education, communication, training and public awareness activities. We have continued to observe World No Tobacco Day annually which encompasses several activities usually spanning the month of May. In 2013, Palau observed a tobacco tax theme in order to raise awareness on this issue. WNTD was followed by a National Workshop on Tobacco Taxation for policy makers. In 2013, we also began to collaborate with other substance abuse prevention and non-communicable disease prevention programs to conduct events such as a Summer Bash Concert, New Lifestyle Talent Show, and NCD Outreach to schools. Non governmental organizations have also contributed to education, communication, training and public awareness.</p>		
3.2.6.9	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 12 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 12 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>		
3.2.6.10	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this</p>		

	section, please provide details in the space below.
	<p>In response to the recommendations in the 2011 FCTC Needs Assessment Report regarding training for Law Enforcement Officers, and through expertise provided through the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), the Palau Ministry of Health and a local NGO facilitated and implemented an Enforcement Training Workshop.</p>

3.2.7	13	Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes:		
3.2.7.1	13.2	– instituting a comprehensive ban on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If you answered “No” to question 3.2.7.1, please proceed to question 3.2.7.3.				
3.2.7.2		If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.7.1, does your ban cover:		
		• display and visibility of tobacco products at points of sales?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• the domestic Internet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• the global Internet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• brand stretching and/or brand sharing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• product placement as a means of advertising or promotion?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• the depiction of tobacco or tobacco use in entertainment media products?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• tobacco sponsorship of international events or activities and/or participants therein?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• contributions from tobacco companies to any other entity for “socially responsible causes” and/or any other activities implemented under the umbrella of “corporate social responsibility” by the tobacco industry?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

	13.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the same forms of cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship entering your territory for which domestic regulation apply? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Please proceed to question 3.2.7.12.				
3.2.7.3	13.2	If you answered "No" to question 3.2.7.1. are you precluded by your constitution or constitutional principles from undertaking a comprehensive ban on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.4	13.3	– applying restrictions on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.5	13.3	– applying restrictions on cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory with cross-border effects?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.6	13.4(a)	– prohibiting those forms of tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship that promote a tobacco product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression about its characteristics, health effects, hazards or emissions?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.7	13.4(b)	– requiring that health or other appropriate warnings or messages accompany all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.8	13.4(c)	– restricting the use of direct or indirect incentives that encourage the purchase of tobacco products by the public?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.9	13.4(d)	– requiring the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

3.2.7.10	13.4(e)	– restricting tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship on:		
		• radio?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• television?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• print media?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• the domestic Internet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• the global Internet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• other media (<i>please specify:</i>)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.11	13.4(f)	– restricting tobacco sponsorship of:		
		• international events and activities?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• participants therein?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Whether you answered “Yes” or “No” to question 3.2.7.1, are you:				
3.2.7.12	13.6	– cooperating with other Parties in the development of technologies and other means necessary to facilitate the elimination of cross-border advertising?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.13	13.7	– imposing penalties for cross-border advertising equal to those applicable to domestic advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory in accordance with national law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.7.14	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 13 (<i>Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			
	<p>Significant progress has been made with RPPL 8-27 coming into effect in February, 2012. Only a few exemptions make is less than 100% comprehensive. A notable achievement has been the ban of point of sales (POS). The law states “No person shall advertise or otherwise promote any tobacco brand, manufacturer or seller by any means, directly or indirectly that is intended to have or is likely to have the direct or indirect effect of promoting the purchase or use of tobacco or a tobacco brand, or of promoting a tobacco manufacturer or seller. Ads and promotions include words, messages, mottos, slogans, letters, numbers, pictures, images, graphics, sounds or any other auditory, visual, or sensory matter, in whole or part that are commonly identified or associated with a tobacco brand, manufacturer or seller. This prohibition includes a total ban on any display and on the visibility of tobacco products at points of sales (POS) but does not include the broadcast of television programming generated from outside Palau. Brand-</p>			

	<p>stretching is prohibited. Tobacco sponsorships are prohibited. Sweepstakes, contests, rebates are prohibited. Cigarettes cannot be sold as single sticks; no person shall manufacture or distribute any product designed for or likely to appeal to children that evokes an association with a tobacco product, including but not limited to, candy or gum cigarettes or other sweets or snacks in the form of tobacco products.</p>
3.2.7.15	<p>USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</p> <p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 13 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 13 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>
3.2.7.16	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p>
	<p>As mentioned above, there are only a few exemptions or provisions not included in RPPL 8-27 that preclude it from being 100% comprehensive – e.g. cross border advertising, sponsorship without attribution</p>

3.2.8	14	Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.2.8.1	14.1	– developing and disseminating appropriate, comprehensive and integrated guidelines based on scientific evidence and best practices?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.8.2	14.1	– programmes to promote cessation of tobacco use, including:		
		• media campaigns emphasizing the importance of quitting?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• programmes specially designed for:		
		○ underage girls and young women	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		○ women	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		○ pregnant women	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• telephone quitlines	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• local events, such as activities related to World No Tobacco Day or National No Smoking Day, if appropriate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• other (<i>please specify</i> : school youth)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.2.8.3	14.2(a)	– design and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the cessation of tobacco use, in such locations as:		
		• educational institutions?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• health-care facilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• workplaces?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sporting environments? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify:</i>)? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.4	14.2(b)	– inclusion of diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence and counselling services for cessation of tobacco use in national programmes, plans and strategies for:			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tobacco control? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> health? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> education? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.5		– inclusion of programmes on the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence in your health-care system?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.6	14.2(b)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.5, which structures in your health-care system provide programmes for the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence?			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> primary health care 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> secondary and tertiary health care 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> specialist health-care systems (<i>please specify:</i>) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rehabilitation centres 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify:</i> Private Medical Clinics) 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.7	14.2(b)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.5, are the services provided in these settings covered by public funding or reimbursement schemes?			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> primary health care 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> secondary and tertiary health care 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> specialist health-care systems (<i>please specify:</i>) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rehabilitation centres 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify:</i> Private Medical Clinics) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None
3.2.8.8	14.2(b)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.5, which health and other professionals are involved in programmes offering treatment for tobacco dependence and counselling services?			
		Health professionals including:			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> physicians 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> dentists 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> family doctors 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> practitioners of traditional medicine 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other medical professionals (<i>please specify:</i> Counselors) 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> nurses 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> midwives 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> pharmacists 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		Community workers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		Social workers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		Others (<i>please specify:</i> Spiritual Health workers within MOH)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.9	14.2(c)	– training on tobacco dependence treatment incorporated into the curricula of health professional training at pre- and post-qualification levels at the following schools:			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> medical? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> dental? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> nursing? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> pharmacy? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify</i>: MOH College of Health, Palau Community College Public Health Program)? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.10	14.2(d)	– facilitating accessibility and/or affordability of pharmaceutical products for the treatment of tobacco dependence?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.11	14.2(d)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.10, where and how can these products be legally purchased in your country?			
		Private pharmacies and 1 general department store			
3.2.8.12	14.2(d)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.10, which pharmaceutical products are legally available for the treatment of tobacco dependence in your jurisdiction?			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> nicotine replacement therapy 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bupropion 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> varenicline 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify</i>:) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
3.2.8.13	14.2(d)	If you answered “Yes” to question 3.2.8.10, are the costs of these products covered by public funding or reimbursement?			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> nicotine replacement therapy 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bupropion 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> varenicline 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other (<i>please specify</i>:) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Fully	<input type="checkbox"/> Partially	<input type="checkbox"/> None
3.2.8.14	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 14 (<i>Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.				
	With reference to 14.2 (b), there is currently one physician within the Ministry of Health that provides cessation services. In the same question, it should be noted there is no distinction between physicians and family doctors. With reference to 3.2.8.10, there are no medical, dental or nursing or pharmacy schools in Palau.				
3.2.8.15	USE OF THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES				

	<p>Please use the space below to provide additional information regarding use of the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 14 of the WHO FCTC” in your jurisdiction (please refer to the section on Article 14 of the step-by-step instructions document when responding to this question). Alternatively, you may wish to provide detailed information through the additional questionnaire on the use of guidelines. Response to this section or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary.</p>
3.2.8.16	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p>

3.3	<i>Article</i>	MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF THE SUPPLY OF TOBACCO <i>(with reference to Articles 15–17)</i>		
3.3.1	15	Illicit trade in tobacco products <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.3.1.1	15.2	– requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining the origin of the product?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.2	15.2(a)	– requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining whether the product is legally sold on the domestic market?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.3	15.2(a)	– requiring that unit packets and packages of tobacco products for retail and wholesale use that are sold on the domestic market carry the statement: “Sales only allowed in ...” or carry any other effective marking indicating the final destination of the product?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.4	15.2(b)	– developing a practical tracking and tracing regime that would further secure the distribution system and assist in the investigation of illicit trade?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.5	15.3	– requiring that marking is presented in legible form or appears in the principal language and/or languages of the country?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.6	15.4(a)	– requiring the monitoring and collection of data on cross-border trade in tobacco products, including illicit trade?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

3.3.1.7	15.4(a)	– facilitating the exchange of this information among customs, tax and other authorities, as appropriate, and in accordance with national law and applicable bilateral and multilateral agreements?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.8	15.4(b)	– enacting or strengthening legislation, with appropriate penalties and remedies, against illicit trade in tobacco products, including counterfeit and contraband cigarettes?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.9	15.4(c)	– requiring that confiscated manufacturing equipment, counterfeit and contraband cigarettes and other tobacco products derived from illicit trade are destroyed, using environment-friendly methods where possible, or disposed of in accordance with national law?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.10	15.4(d)	– adopting and implementing measures to monitor, document and control the storage and distribution of tobacco products held or moving under suspension of taxes or duties?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.11	15.4(e)	– enabling the confiscation of proceeds derived from illicit trade in tobacco products?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.12	15.6	– promoting cooperation between national agencies and relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations in investigations, prosecutions and proceedings, with a view to eliminating illicit trade in tobacco products, with special emphasis on cooperation at regional and subregional levels?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.1.13	15.7	– licensing or other actions to control or regulate production and distribution in order to prevent illicit trade?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

3.3.1.14	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 15 (<i>Illicit trade in tobacco products</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p>
	<p>New customs software has been acquired and came into effect January 2014. It uses automated HS 2012, (harmonized tariff coding), is now web-based and will be able to link with other systems (e.g. quarantine, immigrations, etc.)</p>
3.3.1.15	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p>
	<p>New and comprehensive customs legislation has been drafted with assistance from Oceania Customs Organization (OCO) and is currently undergoing review by the administration.</p>

3.3.2	16	Sales to and by minors <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.3.2.1	16.1	– prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors? If “Yes”, please specify the legal age: 21	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.2	16.1(a)	– requiring that all sellers of tobacco products place a clear and prominent indicator inside their point of sale about the prohibition of tobacco sales to minors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.3	16.1(a)	– requiring that, in case of doubt, each seller of tobacco products requests that the purchaser provides appropriate evidence of having reached full legal age?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.4	16.1(b)	– banning the sale of tobacco products in any manner by which they are directly accessible, such as open store shelves?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.5	16.1(c)	– prohibiting the manufacture and sale of sweets, snacks, toys or any other objects in the form of tobacco products which appeal to minors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.6	16.1(d)	– prohibiting the sale of tobacco products from vending machines?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If you answered “Yes” to question 3.3.2.6, please proceed to question 3.3.2.8.				
3.3.2.7	16.1(d)	If you answered “No” to question 3.3.2.6, do you ensure that tobacco vending machines are not accessible to minors and/or do not promote the sale of tobacco products to minors?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.8	16.2	– prohibiting and/or promoting the prohibition of the distribution of free tobacco products:		
		• to the public?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to minors? 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.9	16.3	– prohibiting the sale of cigarettes individually or in small packets?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.10	16.6	– providing for penalties against sellers and distributors in order to ensure compliance?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.11	16.7	– prohibiting the sales of tobacco products by minors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.3.2.12	<p>Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 16 (<i>Sales to and by minors</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.</p> <p>RPPL 8-27 came into force in February 2012 and addresses the sale of tobacco to youth, ban on vending machines, etc. RPPL 9-6 came into effect June, 2013 raising the legal age of purchase to 21 years.</p>			
3.3.2.13	<p>If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.</p> <p>The Ministry of Health conducts regular random unannounced inspections of tobacco vendors to assess compliance with the law. Merchant education material is distributed to vendors and certificates provided to merchants found in compliance with the law.</p>			

3.3.3	17	Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>			
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, measures or programmes on any of the following:			
3.3.3.1	17	– promoting economically viable and sustainable alternatives for:			
		• tobacco growers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
		• tobacco workers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
		• tobacco individual sellers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.3.3.2	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 17 (<i>Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.				
3.3.3.3	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.				

3.4	<i>Article</i>	OTHER MEASURES AND POLICIES <i>(with reference to Articles 18–21)</i>			
3.4.1	18	Protection of the environment and the health of persons <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>			
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:			
3.4.1.1	18	– implementing measures in respect of tobacco cultivation within your territory, which take into consideration:			
		• the protection of the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
		• the health of persons in relation to the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.1.2	18	– implementing measures in respect of tobacco manufacturing within your territory, which take into consideration:			
		• the protection of the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
		• the health of persons in relation to the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.1.3	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 18 (<i>Protection of the environment and the health of persons</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.				
3.4.1.4	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.				

3.4.2	19	Liability <i>(Please check “Yes” or “No”. For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>			
3.4.2.1	19.1	Does your tobacco control legislation contain measures regarding criminal liability for any violations of that tobacco control legislation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.2	19.1	Do you have separate criminal liability provisions in relation to tobacco control (outside of the tobacco control legislation)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.3	19.1	Do you have any civil liability measures that are specific to tobacco control?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.4	19.1	Do you have any general civil liability provisions that could apply to tobacco control?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.5	19.1	Do you have civil or criminal liability provisions that provide for compensation for adverse health effects and/or for reimbursement of medical, social or other relevant costs?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.6	19.1	Has any person in your jurisdiction launched any criminal and/or civil liability action, including compensation where appropriate, against any tobacco company in relation to any adverse health effect caused by tobacco use?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.7	19.1	Have you taken, as appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative and/or other action against the tobacco industry for full or partial reimbursement of medical, social and other relevant costs related to tobacco use in your jurisdiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
3.4.2.8		Please provide a brief description of any progress made, as appropriate, in implementing Article 19 (<i>Liability</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			

3.4.2.9		If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.
		Amendment to RPPL 5-31 (liability) was made in 2001 (RPPL 6-14) that had not been previously submitted to the FCS (see Annex

3.4.3	20	Research, surveillance and exchange of information <i>(Please check "Yes" or "No". For affirmative answers, please provide a brief summary in the space provided at the end of the section and attach the relevant documentation. Please provide documentation, if available, in one of the six official languages.)</i>		
		Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:		
3.4.3.1	20.1(a)	– developing and/or promoting research that addresses:		
		• determinants of tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• consequences of tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• social and economic indicators related to tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• tobacco use among women, with special regard to pregnant women?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• the determinants and consequences of exposure to tobacco smoke?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• identification of effective programmes for the treatment of tobacco dependence?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• identification of alternative livelihoods?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• other (<i>please specify:</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.4.3.2	20.1(b)	– training and support for all persons engaged in tobacco control activities, including research, implementation and evaluation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.4.3.3	20.3(a)	– a national system for epidemiological surveillance of:		
		• patterns of tobacco consumption?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		• determinants of tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• consequences of tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• social, economic and health indicators related to tobacco consumption?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		• exposure to tobacco smoke?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other relevant information (<i>please specify:</i>) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
3.4.3.4	20.3(a)	If you answered "Yes" to any question under 3.4.3.3, please list all surveys, including the year of the survey, that you have undertaken in the past.		
		The WHO STEPwise approach to noncommunicable disease risk factor surveillance (STEPS): 2011; CDC Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS): 2010, 2012; CDC Palau Youth Tobacco Survey (PYTS): 2001, 2005, 2009, 2013; CDC Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS): 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011; and Palau School Health Survey: 2013		
3.4.3.5	20.3(a)	In reference to any question under 3.4.3.3, does your country have any plans to repeat any of the above or to undertake a new tobacco survey within three to five years of your last survey? Please provide details in the space below.		
		WHO STEPS: 2016; BRFSS: 2013; PYTS: 2017; YRBS: 2015; Palau School Health: 2014		
3.4.3.6	20.4	– regional and global exchange of publicly available national:		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> scientific, technical, socioeconomic, commercial and legal information? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> information on the practices of the tobacco industry? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> information on the cultivation of tobacco? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.4.3.7	20.4(a)	– an updated database of:		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> laws and regulations on tobacco control? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> information about the enforcement of laws on tobacco control? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> pertinent jurisprudence? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.4.3.8	Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 20 (<i>Research, surveillance and exchange of information</i>) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.			
	Adult data was collected during this reporting period (STEPS and BRFSS) which had been lacking since 2003. Collection of youth data continued on a regular basis.			
3.4.3.9	If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.			

4. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE

Note: The goal of this section is to assist the Convention Secretariat in matching available skills and resources with identified needs at national, subregional, regional and international levels.

	<i>Article</i>	Pursuant to Article 21.1(c) and in accordance with Article 26, have you either provided or received financial or technical assistance (be it through unilateral, bilateral, regional, subregional or other multilateral channels, including relevant regional and international intergovernmental or nongovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions) for the development and strengthening of multisectoral, comprehensive tobacco control programmes of developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in any of the following areas:	Assistance provided	Assistance received
4.1	22.1(a)	– development, transfer and acquisition of technology, knowledge, skills, capacity and expertise related to tobacco control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.2	22.1(b)	– provision of technical, scientific, legal and other expertise to establish and strengthen national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.3	22.1(c)	– appropriate training or sensitization programmes for appropriate personnel in accordance with Article 12?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.4	22.1(d)	– provision of the necessary material, equipment and supplies, as well as logistic support, for tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.5	22.1(e)	– identification of methods for tobacco control, including comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.6	22.1(f)	– promotion of research to increase the affordability of comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.7	If you answered “Yes” to any of questions 4.1–4.6, please identify the Party or Parties from which assistance was received or to which assistance was provided.			

4.8	Please provide information about any assistance provided or received in the space below.
4.9	If you have not received or provided assistance in any of the aforementioned areas, please identify any financial or technical assistance that may be under consideration, if appropriate.
	None under consideration at this time
4.10	<p>Have you encouraged relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions in which you are represented to provide financial assistance for developing country Parties and for Parties with economies in transition to assist them in meeting their obligations under the Convention? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>(Please refer to Article 26.4.)</i></p>
4.11	If you answered “Yes” to question 4.10, please provide details in the space below.

5. PRIORITIES AND COMMENTS

5.1	What are the priorities for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in your jurisdiction?
	Palau’s 2012 needs assessment report based on the 2011 assessment identified multiple areas of need. However, our priorities are implementation of Articles 5.2(a) (establishment of a coordinating mechanism), Article 5.3 (industry interference), Article 11 (packaging and labelling) and Article 14 (cessation).
5.2	<p>Have you identified any specific gaps between the resources available and the needs assessed for implementing the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
5.3	If you answered “Yes” to question 5.2, please provide details in the space below.
	We need resources to 1) conduct local research including the economic impact of tobacco use; 2) increase enforcement capacity (e.g. more police officers), 3) fund media campaigns including funds for computer and software to improve media/marketing and education activities; 4) implement Article 14 guidelines and establishment of subsequent cessation services, and 5) implement Articles 5.3 and 11. We also need funding assistance to have at least 2 participants attend COP meetings so that we can more fully participate in meetings and activities that often occur simultaneously. We need guidance as to who we can request assistance for these above mentioned activities. Our NGO partners also have little funding to participate in FCTC implementation.
5.4	<p>What, if any, are the constraints or barriers, other than lack of resources, you have encountered in implementing the Convention?</p> <p><i>(Please refer to Article 21.1(b).)</i></p>
	We have yet to establish a national coordinating mechanism. Technical assistance

	in this regard would be helpful (e.g. terms of reference, explore different models, learn what others are doing that has proven effective and successful)
5.5	Please provide any other relevant information not covered elsewhere that you consider important.
5.6	Your suggestions for further development and revision of the reporting instrument:

End of reporting instrument