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“We must also ensure that our response on people displacement and movements, takes account of the protection of the human rights of those people displaced by the impacts of climate change and sea level rise. We need a legal framework for this work to ensure human rights protection and security. Tuvalu has proposed for a UN Resolution on the establishment of such a legal process.”

- Enele Sopoaga, Prime Minister of Tuvalu



“Sea level rise can occupy our territory as surely as an invading army. From the perspective of my small island nation in the Pacific, climate change is our greatest humanitarian crisis. It is our war....Climate change raises some hard questions, and I am not sure we have the answers.... Will we be able to protect the millions who are rendered homeless when low-lying coastal areas are inundated?”

- Baron Waqa, President of Nauru



“The international community must do more in assisting Small Islands Developing States (SIDS) to manage populations displaced by climate change via a global mechanism. Current treaties are inadequate to address people forced out by climate change. We call for a legal framework to address and protect the rights of forced climate migrants and compensate climate impacted populations for the loss of their livelihood....This year, scientists reported that five of our islands were claimed by the sea due to human induced sea level rise with six others severely eroded.”

- Manasseh Sogavare, Prime Minister of Solomon Islands

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