CUSTOMS ACT 1921
(As in force 1st November, 2010)

CUSTOMS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORTS) PROCLAMATION No. 1, 2014
S.L No. 8

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 46 (g) and section 49 of the Customs Act 1921, as Minister responsible for Customs, I make the following Proclamation –

1 Citation
This Proclamation shall be cited as the Customs (Prohibition of Imports) Proclamation No. 1, 2014.

2 Commencement
This Proclamation shall commence on the date it is gazetted.

3 Proclamation

(1) No business shall import any goods into Nauru without an approved import licence issued by the Nauru Customs Division of the Department of Finance.

(2) Restrictions and conditions for the issuance of an import license shall be as follows:

(a) An approved import license will be issued to businesses registered in Nauru if the majority shares are owned by Nauruans.

(b) The business must be registered in Nauru hold a valid incorporation certificate and/or business license.
(c) An approved import license may only be issued to a business registered in Nauru where 90% of their employees are Nauruan citizens. An exception will only apply where the business shows cause as to why other than Nauruan employees are employed. Where any doubt arises with respect to this condition (c), the Department of Justice and Border Control shall make a determination and that decision shall be final.

(d) The application form for an import license shall be in a manner prescribed by the Customs Division, Department of Finance.

(e) In the interest of the Nauru economy, any import license issued under this Proclamation may have conditions that restrict supply of goods to the Regional Processing Centres; such conditions will be as determined by the Department of Justice and Border Control and Department of Finance.

(f) Any variation sought in regards to the conditions of an import licence shall be directed in writing to the Department of Justice and Border Control and Department of Finance.

(3) An exemption shall apply to any goods currently being shipped or in the process of shipment to Nauru, and in any event, any goods shipped after Wednesday 1st October, 2014 shall be subject to this proclamation.

Dated this 11th day of August, 2014.

Hon. David Adeang M.P  
Minister for Finance