



DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

**Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the
Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict**

WHEREAS, the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict was adopted by the General Assembly by resolution A/RES/54/263 of May 2000 and came into force on 12 February 2002;

WHEREAS, the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia adopted Congressional Resolution No. 17-89, C.D.1, on February 21, 2012, ratifying the Convention;

NOW THEREFORE I, Lorin S. Robert, Secretary (Minister) of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, having considered the abovementioned Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform, and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed the instrument of ratification at Palikir on this 24th of April in the year two thousand and twelve.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lorin S. Robert", written over a horizontal line.

Lorin S. Robert
Secretary/Minister of Foreign Affairs

