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The Cabinet makes the following Regulations under Sections 9 and 21 of the *National Hosting of Events Act 2026*:

Part 1 Preliminary

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *National Hosting of Events (XI Micronesian Games) Regulations 2026*.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on the date they are notified in the Gazette.

3 Interpretation

In these Regulations:

'Board' means the Board established under Regulation 6;

'Chairperson' means the Chairperson appointed by Cabinet under Section 10(1) of the Act;

'Charter' means the Micronesian Games Council Charter approved on 24 January 1992;

'Games Event' means an event or activity conducted as part of the Games, and includes but is not limited to:

- (a) a sporting event;
- (b) the opening and closing ceremonies;
- (c) the torch relay; and
- (d) any cultural event associated with the Games;

'Games Indicia' means any words, numbers, names, marks:

(a) approved by the Steering Committee from time to time and published in the Gazette; and

(b) any other indicia or image referring to or representing the Micronesian Games, and any part of such indicia;

'intellectual property rights' includes all rights to intellectual property recognised under the laws of the Republic;

'media rights' includes the right to report, broadcast, film, photograph, record, publish, televise (or to distribute any of the product of any of these activities) of any Games Event of the Micronesian Games through publicly accessible media, including but not limited to newspapers, radio, television, cinema internet, books, magazines, recordings and any computer-based technology;

'Micronesian Games Council' or **'MGC'** means the Micronesian Games Council registered as an international company, limited by guarantee, in Hagatna, Guam, and is governed by the Charter;

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'MGC Indicia' includes all words, numbers, names, marks, logos, images and other indicia which refer to or represent the Pacific Games Council, and any part of such indicia;

'Micronesian Games Steering Committee' or 'Steering Committee' means the Micronesian Games Steering Committee established under Regulation 4;

'Nauru Micronesian Games Association' means the body who officially represents Nauru within the Micronesian Games Council and is responsible for preparation of Nauru's athletes for participation in the XI Micronesian Games;

'sponsorship' means any or all of the following sponsorship of the Games made on or before the date of the official closing ceremony of the Games:

- (a) donation in cash or kind;
- (b) goods; and
- (c) services; and

'XI Micronesian Games' or 'Micronesian Games' means the XI Micronesian Games to be held in the Republic of Nauru in 2028.

Part 2 Establishment of the Micronesian Games Steering Committee

4 Establishment of the Micronesian Games Steering Committee

- (1) There shall be a Micronesian Games Steering Committee.
- (2) The Steering Committee shall have perpetual succession.
- (3) The Steering Committee may:
 - (a) sue and be sued;
 - (b) enter into contracts and other legal obligations;
 - (c) acquire, hold, manage and dispose of real or personal properties; and
 - (d) do all other acts that may be done in law by a body corporate.
- (4) Each member has a voting right and the decisions of the Steering Committee are determined by majority of votes.

5 Composition of the Steering Committee

The Steering Committee shall consist of the:

- (a) Board;
- (b) Chief Executive Officer and staff; and
- (c) subcommittees established under Regulation 14.

6 Board of the Steering Committee

The Board of the Steering Committee shall consist of the following:

- (a) the Chairperson appointed by Cabinet under Section 10(1) of the Act;

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- (b) the Deputy Chairperson appointed by Cabinet under Section 10(2);
- (c) the Chief Executive Officer of the Nauru Micronesian Games Association;
- (d) a representative of the Department of Justice;
- (e) a representative of the Department of Finance and Sustainable Development; and
- (f) such other persons appointed by Cabinet in accordance with Section 9(2) of the Act.

7 Functions of the Board Steering Committee

The functions of the Board are to:

- (a) ensure that the Steering Committee carries out its functions as per Section 15 of the Act for the purposes of organising the XI Micronesian Games;
- (b) ensure compliance with the Charter and any agreement in relation to organising of the Micronesian Games;
- (c) approve strategy, budget and risk appetite in relation to organising the Micronesian Games;
- (d) oversees the responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer and subcommittees; and
- (e) safeguard the Micronesian Games legacy and reputation.

8 Disclosure of interest

- (1) Where a member has any interest relating to a matter before the Steering Committee for determination, the member shall disclose the details of his or her interest as soon as practicable after the member becomes aware that he or she has an interest.
- (2) A disclosure under subregulation (1), shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the Steering Committee and the member:
 - (a) after the disclosure, shall not take part in any deliberation or decision of the Steering Committee in respect of that matter; and
 - (b) shall be disregarded for the purposes of constituting a quorum of the Steering Committee in that deliberation or decision.

9 Appointment of a Chief Executive Officer for the Steering Committee

- (1) There shall be a Chief Executive Officer for the Steering Committee.
- (2) The Chief Executive Officer shall be appointed by the Cabinet and on such terms and conditions.
- (3) The Chief Executive Officer shall be responsible and reports directly to the Board.
- (4) The Chief Executive Officer shall:
 - (a) provide administrative and technical support to the Steering Committee;
 - (b) translate strategy approved by the Board into operational delivery;

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- (c) leads the execution of operation for organising the Micronesian Games;
- (d) act as primary liaison with international sports federations and regional sports federations;
- (e) ensure the overall readiness and successful delivery of the Micronesian Games; and
- (f) such other function assigned by the Steering Committee.

10 Staff of the Steering Committee

- 1) The Chief Executive Officer may appoint a person to be a staff of the Steering Committee.
- 2) The *Public Service Act 2016* applies mutatis mutandis to terms and conditions of a staff appointed under subregulation (1).
- 3) The staff shall act at the direction and control of the Chief Executive Officer.
- 4) A person may be seconded to the Steering Committee from other Departments or government instrumentalities, and such secondments shall be made on the terms and conditions agreed between the Board and the employer of the person seconded to the Steering Committee.
- 5) The Board may approve the engagement of consultants and other persons to undertake any work and perform any task required by the Board.
- 6) Any public service employee or person employed by a government instrumentality seconded to the Steering Committee under subregulation (4) is not entitled to additional pay or salary for the secondment, except where Cabinet determines payment of allowance to those involved or who assisted in the organising of the Micronesian Games.

11 Games volunteers

- (1) The Board may recruit volunteers from the community to perform any tasks identified as necessary for the safe and orderly conduct of the Games.
- (2) Games volunteers shall not be regarded as staff of the Steering Committee but shall be subject to directions given by:
 - (a) the Chief Executive Officer; or
 - (b) any other member of the staff of the Steering Committee.

12 Exercise of emergency powers

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of these Regulations or any other written law the Chairperson and the Chief Executive Officer may take any action which is necessary to:
 - (a) provide for the safety of Games officials and participants, or for the security of Games venues;
 - (b) ensure the proper and safe conduct of any Games Event; and
 - (c) feed, accommodate, transport or otherwise provide for the needs of Games officials and participants.
- (2) When exercising a power under subregulation (1), the Chairperson or Chief Executive Officer may:

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- (a) procure any necessary food, materials or services;
 - (b) arrange for any other government agency or authority to provide any necessary intervention or support; or
 - (c) do any other thing which is necessary for the safe and efficient conduct of the Games and for the safety, security and well-being of all persons at the Games.
- (3) As soon as practicable after the exercise of a power under this Regulation the:
- (a) Chairperson shall advise the Board of the action taken by him or her or the Chief Executive Officer; or
 - (b) Chief Executive Officer shall advise the Chairperson of the action taken by him or her.
- (4) All actions taken under this Regulation shall be referred by the Chairperson to the Board for its approval.

13 Delegation of powers

- (1) The Board may delegate to the Chief Executive Officer, or any other appropriate person any function, responsibility, duty or power to be undertaken in accordance with any requirement or condition imposed by the Board.
- (2) The Chief Executive Officer may delegate to any staff member any of his or her functions, responsibilities, duties or powers to be undertaken in accordance with any requirement or condition imposed by the Chief Executive Officer.
- (3) Notwithstanding any delegation made under this Regulation, the Board and the Chief Executive Officer, as the case may be, may continue to perform or exercise all or any of the functions, responsibilities, duties or powers delegated.

Part 3 Subcommittees

14 Subcommittees

- (1) The Board may establish subcommittees to assist the Steering Committee in the performance of its functions, including subcommittees to be responsible for the organisation of the following:
- (a) infrastructure, facilities and equipment;
 - (b) accommodation, logistics and support services;
 - (c) athlete and team's accreditation and services;
 - (d) marketing, media and communications;
 - (e) games operations and competitions;
 - (f) workforce and volunteers;
 - (g) finances, legal compliance, governance, procurement, IT and systems, governance and reporting;
 - (h) medical care;
 - (i) ceremonial matters;
 - (j) related celebrations and events;
 - (k) security; and
 - (l) such other matters as required from time to time.
- (2) A subcommittee shall report to the Chief Executive Officer and provide regular update of progress and work carried out by the subcommittee.

Part 4 Finances and Reporting

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15 Funds of the Steering Committee

- (1) The funds of the Steering Committee shall include monies paid to the Steering Committee:
 - (a) from appropriations made by the Parliament;
 - (b) under any agreement entered into by the Steering Committee;
 - (c) from the sale of merchandise and the implementation of other marketing and promotional activities;
 - (d) from sponsors of the Micronesian Games in accordance with sponsorship arrangements approved by the Steering Committee;
 - (e) from the hire or lease of assets belonging to the Steering Committee;
 - (f) as donations or grants from any source; and
 - (g) from any other lawful source which is consistent with the functions and powers of the Steering Committee under these Regulations.
- (2) The Chief Executive Officer shall keep a record of all donations and support given in kind as goods, materials, supplies and services.
- (3) The *Public Finance (Control and Management) Act 1997* applies to the funds under subregulation (1) or any public monies received by the Steering Committee.

16 Assets of the Steering Committee

- (1) The ownership of all facilities constructed or refurbished by the Steering Committee for the purposes of the Micronesian Games shall be vested in the Department of Sports, and registration of ownership shall be effected without the need for any other legal formality.
- (2) Rights of ownership and use of facilities constructed or refurbished by the Steering Committee on a land shall be determined by negotiation between the Steering Committee and the landowner of the land in which the facility is built on.
- (3) The Steering Committee may on the approval of Cabinet, approve the lease of any of the assets to which subregulation (1) applies to any registered association or appropriate body for any use that is of benefit to the community, and on such terms and conditions as are approved by the Steering Committee.

17 Accounts of the Steering Committee

- (1) The Steering Committee shall keep proper accounts and records of the transactions and affairs and operations of the Steering Committee, in accordance with the *Public Finance (Control and Management) Act 1997* and Government's financing and accounting procedures.
- (2) The Chief Executive Officer shall ensure that:
 - (a) all funds and contributions received by the Steering Committee are accounted for;
 - (b) all payments made by the Steering Committee are correctly made in accordance with the *Public Finance (Control and Management) Act 1997* and Government's accounting procedures;

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- (c) financial and adequate records and controls are in place for the management of the Steering Committee's property and facilities;
- (d) there is effective control over the incurring of liabilities by the Steering Committee; and
- (e) financial statements are prepared in accordance with the *Public Finance (Control and Management) Act 1997* and Government procedures and practices, and shall:
 - (i) fairly present the financial transactions and position of the Steering Committee; and
 - (ii) incorporate any specific requirement or detail required by the Department of Finance and Sustainable Development.

18 Reporting requirements

- (1) The Steering Committee shall submit regular reports to Cabinet and the MGC on the progress of preparation and organisation of the Micronesian Games.
- (2) The Steering Committee shall submit a final report to Cabinet and the MGC within 6 months after the completion of the Micronesian Games.

Part 5 Protection of Media Rights and Games Indicia

19 Steering Committee may authorise broadcasting and recording

- (1) Notwithstanding the provision of any other written law and in accordance with the Charter and an agreement with the Micronesian Games Council, the Steering Committee holds all media rights to the Micronesian Games.
- (2) The Board may authorise a person to:
 - (a) broadcast, telecast or transmit by any means whatsoever any sound or image of any Games Event; and
 - (b) make any sound recording or any film, television, video or digital recording of moving images of any Games Event.
- (3) An authorisation under this Regulation shall be in writing and may be subject to any terms or conditions imposed by the Steering Committee and the Micronesian Games Council.

20 Breach of media rights

Any person who:

- (a) broadcasts, telecasts or transmits by any means whatsoever any sound or image of Games Event without an authorisation given under Regulation 19;
- (b) makes any sound recording or any film, television, video or digital recording of moving images of any Games Event without an authorisation given under Regulation 19;
- (c) otherwise breaches or infringes the media rights of the Steering Committee;
- (d) aids or abets another person to commit an offence under this Regulation; or
- (e) counsels or procures another person to commit an offence under this Regulation,

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commits an offence and is liable upon conviction for an individual, to a fine not exceeding \$,10,000 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding one (1) year, or both or for a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.

21 Authorisation to use Games Indicia

- (1) The Steering Committee may authorise a person to make use of the Games Indicia and the MGC Indicia subject to any terms or conditions as to payment or otherwise that the Steering Committee applies to such use.
- (2) An authorisation given under subregulation (1) shall be in writing.

22 Use of Games Indicia

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), the use of Games Indicia without an authorisation under Regulation 21 may be made by:
 - (a) athletes, officials and teams competing in the Games;
 - (b) MGA on its official correspondence, attire and property;
 - (c) persons reporting Games Events where the use is incidental to such reporting; and
 - (d) persons making bona fide use for the purposes of study, review or education.
- (2) A person may not claim a right of use under subregulation (1), if he or she makes use of the Games Indicia:
 - (a) for any commercial purpose;
 - (b) for any promotional, advertising or marketing purpose, whether or not for commercial gain;
or
 - (c) in breach of Regulation 23.

23 Unlawful use of Games Indicia:

A person who uses Games Indicia, or any Indicia likely to be mistaken for Games Indicia, for any:

- (a) commercial purpose without an authorisation under this Part; or
- (b) promotional, advertising or marketing purpose, whether or not for commercial gain, without an authorisation under this Part,

commits an offence and is liable upon conviction, for an individual, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding one (1) year, or both or for a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.

24 Protection of other intellectual property

- (1) In addition to the media rights and rights to Games Indicia vested in the Steering Committee under this Part, all other rights to intellectual property arising from the preparation by the Steering Committee for the Games in accordance with these Regulations shall be vested in the Steering Committee.
- (2) A person who breaches the rights of the Steering Committee to the other intellectual property rights vested in it under this Regulation commits an offence and is liable upon conviction:

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- (a) for an individual, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding one (1) year, or both; or
- (b) for a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.
- (3) The rights of the Steering Committee to enforce its rights to other intellectual property under these Regulations are in addition to any other lawful rights that the Steering Committee may enforce under any other written law.

Part 6 Sponsorship and Naming Rights

25 Official sponsors

- (1) A person may be a sponsor of the Games if the person is approved by the Steering Committee.
- (2) A person may apply in Form 1 of Schedule 1 to the Steering Committee to be a sponsor for the Micronesian Games.
- (3) A person who applies under subregulation (2), shall provide the following information:
 - (a) applicant's name, address and personal and contact details;
 - (b) tax identification number from the Nauru Revenue Office and copy;
 - (c) type of business, that is whether it is an individual, partnership, corporation or trust business structure;
 - (d) detailed nature of the business activity;
 - (h) statement of the type of sponsorship to be provided;
 - (i) copies of birth certificate, drivers licence or bio page of passport of the applicant or owners of the business;
 - (k) business licence; and
 - (l) proof of ownership of the business.
- (4) Where an application is received under subregulation (2), the Steering Committee may approve with or without conditions the person, as a sponsor of the Games.
- (5) The Steering Committee may, on its own initiative, request and approve a person to be a sponsor.
- (6) The Steering Committee may determine different categories of sponsors and different types or means of sponsorship.
- (7) A person who contravenes subregulation (1) commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

26 Sponsorship agreements

- (1) The Steering Committee may approve any arrangements for the giving of official sponsorship status to companies and persons who provide funds or support for the conduct and management of the Games.

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- (2) Arrangements made under this Regulation may authorise the use by sponsors of any Games Indicia and the utilisation of any intellectual property belonging to the Steering Committee.

27 Advertising

- (1) The Steering Committee may designate certain areas within the Republic to be exclusive advertising areas for sponsors of the Games, and such designation shall:
- (a) declare the areas to be subject to exclusive advertising zoning; and
 - (b) determine the period in which the exclusive advertising arrangements shall apply.
- (2) The Steering Committee may after consultation with the relevant landowner or owner of premises within in which such advertising is to be erected remove or replace existing advertising structures to allow for advertising areas for sponsors of the Games.
- (3) A landowner or an owner of a premises may be paid compensation for any action by the Steering Committee made under subregulation (2).
- (4) A person who carries out any advertisement other than the approved sponsors on a designated advertising area under subregulation (1), commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.
- (5) A person who damages, obstructs or interferes with any advertisement on a designated advertising area, commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.
- (6) All Departments or government instrumentalities having lawful responsibilities relating to the regulation of advertising and advertising structures shall take all necessary action to give effect to the exclusive advertising arrangements implemented under this Regulation.

28 Naming Rights

- (1) The Steering Committee may approve the naming rights for any venue or facility at which Games Events are to be conducted.
- (2) Sponsorship agreements made under Regulation 26 may include the grant of naming rights to any venue or facility at which Games Events are to be conducted and such rights may:
- (a) be for the duration of the Games, or any extended period authorised by the Steering Committee;
 - (b) authorise the construction and display of any signage or structure agreed to by the Steering Committee; and
 - (c) place restrictions on any other advertising at the venue or facility.

29 Unlawful conduct suggesting sponsorship or authorisation

A person who engages in any conduct which suggests or has the potential of suggesting that:

- (a) the person has an approval, affiliation or association with the Games or the Steering Committee, or an official sponsorship of the Games, which the person does not have in accordance with these Regulations; or
- (b) any goods or services have, or are associated in any way with, an approval, affiliation or association with the Games or the Steering Committee, or an official sponsorship of the

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Games, which the owner, seller, supplier or provider of the goods or services does not have in accordance with these Regulations,

commits an offence and is liable upon conviction for an individual, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding one (1) year, or both or for a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.

Part 7 Offences

30 Obstructing the Games

A person who does any act or omission which obstructs or hinders any aspect of the safe and orderly conduct of the Games commits an offence and is liable upon conviction:

- (a) for an individual, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding one (1) year, or both; or
- (b) for a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.

Part 8 Miscellaneous

31 Extraterritorial application:

The commission of an offence against these Regulations by the breach of any provision of these Regulations shall constitute an offence despite that the act, omission, transaction or thing constituting the breach may have occurred outside of the Republic.

32 Seizure of unlawful materials

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of any written law, a police officer and any staff of the Steering Committee authorised by the Chief Executive Officer may:
 - (a) seize any document, photograph, recording, electronic record, film or other material if it is reasonably suspected that the items or material have been created or are to be used in breach of any provision of these Regulations; or
 - (b) seize any camera, recording device, computer, microphone or other item or equipment if it is reasonably suspected that the item or equipment has been used or is to be used in the breach of any provision of these Regulations.
- (2) All things seized under this Regulation shall be held by the Commissioner of Police or the Chief Executive Officer in safe custody and may be disposed of in accordance with this Regulation.
- (3) All things seized under this Regulation which are found by a court:
 - (a) to have been used or intended to be used in the commission of an offence under these Regulations; or
 - (b) have been used, intended to be used, created or produced in breach of any provision of these Regulations,

shall be forfeited to the government of the Republic of Nauru and may be disposed of as ordered by the Court.

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- (4) All things seized under this Regulation which are not forfeited in accordance with subregulation (3) shall be returned to the person from whom the item was seized.

33 Other actions for breaches of these Regulations

- (1) The Board may authorise any person on behalf of the Steering Committee to make application to a Court seeking an injunction to prevent any breach or further breach of a provision of these Regulations.
- (2) When making an order under subregulation (1), the court may make any further or additional orders that it thinks necessary to protect or give effect to the rights given to the Steering Committee under these Regulations.
- (3) Where the Steering Committee suffers any loss or damage as a result of the breach by any person of any provision of these Regulations, a court may order that the person make restitution to the Steering Committee for any loss or damage that is found to have suffered.
- (4) The Steering Committee may authorise any person on behalf of the Steering Committee to apply to a court for an order that a person in breach of a provision of these Regulations account for the profits that accrued to the person as a result of a breach of these Regulations.

34 Confidentiality

- (1) The Minister, members of the Steering Committee, Secretary, Chief Executive Officers and members of the staff of the Department shall keep information confidential where he or she accesses in the course of performing his or her functions or exercises of his or her powers under the Act and these Regulations.
- (2) Upon authorisation by the Chairperson, information may be disclosed for the purpose of furthering the objectives of these Regulations, required by a law enforcement Authority or required by an order of the court.

35 Expiry of these Regulations

- (1) These Regulations expire 1 year after the completion of the Micronesian Games.
- (2) Notwithstanding the expiry of the Regulations any matter requiring completion continues until such matter is complete.

SCHEDULE

FORM 1



REPUBLIC OF NAURU

**NATIONAL HOSTING OF EVENTS ACT 2026
National Hosting of Events (XI Micronesian Games) Regulations 2026**

(Regulation 25)

SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please complete this form to be considered for sponsorship)

To the Chairperson of the Board for the Micronesian Games Steering Committee,

Republic of Nauru

1. Applicant Details

Name of individual/entity

First and Middle Names

Last Name

Email

Phone Number

Contact Address

Nationality

Date of Birth

Email address

Telephone number

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Tax Identification Number

2. Type of Business

- Sole Proprietorship
- Partnership
- Corporation
- Other (please specify)

**For the applicant to provide proof of the type of business structure and ownership*

3. Nature of the Business

Explain

4. Type of sponsorship to be provided (attached relevant supporting documents)

5. Required documents

Attach a copy of the following documents to this form:

- (a) tax Identification number issued by Nauru Revenue Office; and
- (b) birth certificate, drivers licence or bio page of passport of the owners and for companies the aforementioned documents for all directors;
- (c) supporting documents to clarify sponsorship to be provided;
- (d) business licence; and
- (e) proof of ownership;

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6. Declaration

I.....(name) of.....(address)
.....(occupation), do solemnly and sincerely declare that the
information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and I make this solemn
declaration by virtue of the *Oaths, Affirmations and Statutory Declarations Act 1976*
conscientiously believing in the statement contained therein to be true in every particular.

Signed by the individual owner or owner of the business:

.....

Name of person filing this form:

.....

Declared at.....this.....day of
[place] [date] [month] [year]

Before me:

(Signature)

(Title)

**NOTE: A person making a false statement is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a term
of imprisonment not exceeding 5 years.*