

AUTONOMOUS REGION OF BOUGAINVILLE

(N^o 6 of 2013)

Autonomous Region of Bougainville Appropriation (2014) Act 2013

Being an Act to—

- (a) authorize the expenditure of public monies from the Consolidated Revenue Fund; and
- (b) state in general or specific terms the purpose for, or objects on which those public monies shall be expended; and
- (c) state the circumstances in which appropriation may be altered.

MADE by the House of Representatives.

1. INTERPRETATION

In this Act unless the contrary intention appears—

“*activity*” means a sub-category of a function or project specifying an object in relation to any expenditure of public monies;

“*appropriation*” means allocation of a sum of public monies for a purpose or object, which is categorized in the Budget by a function, or a program, project, an activity or an item, and “*appropriate*” has a corresponding meaning;

“*Bougainville Executive Council*” means the Bougainville Executive Council established under the *Bougainville Constitution*;

“*Budget*” means the document entitled “Autonomous Region of Bougainville Appropriation (2014) Act 2013” and the “Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure 2014” referred to in that Act;

“*function*” means a primary unit of a classification specifying a Ministry, branch or structure of Government or general purpose in relation to any expenditure of public monies;

“*project*” means a sub-category of a function specifying an object in relation to any expenditure of public monies.

2. AUTHORIZATION OF EXPENDITURE OF K312,901,286

Pursuant to Section 155 (Financial Responsibility of the House of Representatives) of the *Bougainville Constitution*, the House of Representatives hereby authorizes the expenditure, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, of amounts of money not exceeding, in total, K312,901,286 details of which are specified in the Budget Document entitled “Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the period ending 31 December 2014”.

3. APPROPRIATION OF K312,901,286

The amount authorized for expenditure under Section 2 shall be appropriated to the votes specified in the "Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the period ending 31 December 2014".

4. APPROPRIATION OF GRANTS, ETC.

Grants, inclusive of conditional grants, and other monies lawfully made available from the National Government towards the purposes of the Autonomous Bougainville Government (inclusive of restoration, rehabilitation and reconstruction) are appropriated for expenditure through the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

5. ADJUSTMENT TO AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED WITHIN FUNCTIONS

The Bougainville Executive Council may make adjustments to amounts appropriated to votes within the Budget by—

- (a) transferring within functions, amounts from one activity or project to another activity or project; and
- (b) transferring within functions, amounts from one item to another item; and
- (c) transferring amounts between functions; and
- (d) creating new functions, projects or activities; and
- (e) creating new items within functions, projects or activities.

6. AUTHORIZATION FOR URGENT NEED

- (1) The Bougainville Executive Council, subject to subsection (2), may from time to time make adjustments to amounts appropriated to votes within the budget by—
 - (a) transferring amounts from functions;
 - (b) transferring within functions amounts from one project to or activity to another project or activity; or
 - (c) transferring within functions amounts from one item to another item.
- (2) If the Minister of Finance, after consultation with the Chief Administrator and the head of the Department or Division of the Government responsible for finance, however, described, is satisfied on reasonable grounds that an urgent need for expenditure has arisen—
 - (a) For which no appropriation Act exists or for which the existing provision is insufficient; and
 - (b) Which cannot be deferred without detriment to the public interest; and
 - (c) Because of natural disaster or which due to exceptional circumstances could not have been foreseen;

the Minister may, subject to the prior approval of the Bougainville Executive Council, by order in writing, direct one or more Ministers to transfer a specific amount of money to the ministry responsible for meeting that need.

- (3) The minister of the ministry to which amounts are transferred under Subsection (1) to meet a particular need must ensure that those amounts are used to meet only that need.

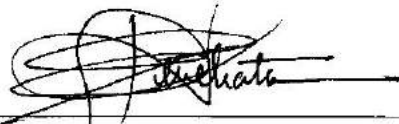
- (4) If an order is not made under Subsection (2) because it was not possible to identify available funds to meet a particular need, the Minister may, with the prior approval of the Bougainville Executive Council and in anticipation of the grant of an appropriation, authorise, by order in writing, the issue of monies from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet that need.
- (5) The total of the sums which may be authorised under Subsection (4) must not exceed—
 - (a) for natural disasters – one percent of the total sum appropriated by the Government for the current financial year; and
 - (b) for all other needs – one percent of the total sum appropriated by the Government for the current financial year.
- (6) When any issue is made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund under this Section a supplementary estimate of the sum required for the service for which such issue was made must be presented to Parliament at its next meeting following the date on which the warrant was issued and will be included in a Supplementary Appropriation bill.

7. TABLING OF STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

As soon as practicable after the end of the financial year, the Bougainville Executive Council shall table at a meeting of the House of Representatives held no later than 31 March 2015, a statement detailing the adjustments to the appropriation as at the end of 31 December 2014.

I certify that the above is fair copy of a Bill for an Act entitled *Autonomous Region of Bougainville Appropriation (2014) Act 2013*, passed by the House of Representatives on 31 December 2013 and now presented to the Speaker for his certificate under Section 66(1) of the *Bougainville Constitution*.

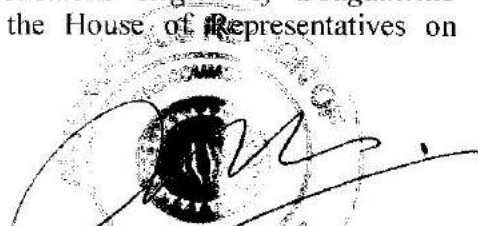
Dated 31 December 2013



Edwin Kenahata
Acting Clerk of the
House of Representatives

I, Andrew Miriki, Speaker of the House of Representatives, under Section 66(1) of the *Bougainville Constitution*, certify that the *Autonomous Region of Bougainville Appropriation (2014) Act 2013* was made by the House of Representatives on 31 December 2013.

Dated 31 December 2013



Honourable Andrew Miriki
Speaker of the House of Representatives