



Commission of Inquiry Act 1951 (Ch 31)

**ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO PROCESS AND PROCEDURES FOLLOWED
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA IN OBTAINING THE OFF-SHORE LOAN
FROM THE UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Further to the Chairman's media statement of 23rd March 2020, the Chairman of the CoI today announced the further deferral of its matters fixed for hearing between Tuesday 14th – Friday 24th April 2020. Those cases are now deferred to dates to be fixed for hearing in the week commencing Monday 27th April 2020. The allocation of specific hearing dates in that week for specific matters will appear in the CoI's website (<https://www.coiubsl.com>) in due course.

The directions previously issued for witnesses to file list of witnesses, list of documents and copies of those documents in respect of certain matters are further extended to 27th April 2020.

The CoI office at Muruk Haus, Waigani is open for business from 14th – 27th April 2020. The Chairman is also available in this period to deal with any applications for directions that may be made by persons in any of those matters. Applications may be made by letter with supporting documents and addressed to the Chairman. Applications may be delivered at the CoI Office or lodged by email via secretary@coiubsl.com or myuangu64@gmail.com. Applications will be dealt with "in Chamber" and "on paper" (without the appearance in person of applicants or their counsel) and decisions conveyed to applicants or their counsel by return email or letter.

The Commission's decision to further defer the hearing of these matters is due to the government's recent decision to extend the state of emergency and restriction on public gatherings as a result of the Covid-19 virus pandemic.

DATED this 9th day of April 2020.


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