



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

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**TODAY'S SUMMARY**

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020

**Venue:** First Floor, Muruk Haus, Kumul Avenue, Waigani

**1. Mr Ilagi Veali, former NEC Secretary**

Mr Ilagi appeared on request from the Commission. The Commission informed him on the purpose of his attendance. The Commission tasked him with perusing the documents provided by the current NEC Secretary Ms Grace So-on, to see if there are any missing documents for both IPIC Loan and UBS Loan, and report back to the Commission on Monday 29th June 2020 at 9:30am.

**2. Mrs Christine Lenturut, Government Printer**

Mrs Lenturut appeared on the request of the Commission. The Commission discussed with her the nature of the documents in the form of Gazettal notices published concerning the IPIC Loan and the UBS Loan including, publication of notices of Constitutional laws, statutes, regulations and other statutory instruments, statutory instruments issued by the Head of State, the NEC, Departmental heads and heads of statutory authorities and bodies, etc concerning the IPIC and UBS Loans. The Commission gave her time to search the office records and collate the documents and adjourned the proceedings to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of July at 9:30am.

**3. Mr Don Polye, Former Minister for Treasury**

Mr Don Polye's scheduled appearance was deferred to Monday 29th June 2020 at 9:30am, upon his request.

**4. Mr Ben Micah, former Minister for State-owned Enterprises & Public Investments**

Mr Micah appeared on request of the Commission. The Commission discussed with him the nature of the assistance that he is being asked to provide. The Commission issued directions for him to provide a written statement of the evidence that he wishes to give together with a list of documents and copies of those documents relating to the IPIC Loan and UBS Loan, on or before 10<sup>th</sup> of July 2020 at 9:30am. Also upon his request, the Commission agreed to issue letters of request to attend to four other witnesses that he mentioned namely, Dr Clement Waine (Secretary for Department of State-owned Enterprises and Public Investments), Mr Wasantha Kumarasiri (former Managing Director, IPBC), Mr Erastus Kamburi (Legal Officer, IPBC) and Mr Wapu Sonk (Managing Director, KPHL).

**5. The Hon Kerenga Kua, former Attorney General and Minister for Justice**

The Hon Kerenge Kua's scheduled appearance on the request of the Commission, was deferred to Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2020 at 9:30am upon his request.

**6. Mr Ano Pala, former Attorney General and Minister for Justice**

Mr Pala appeared on the request of the Commission. The Commission discussed with him the purpose of his attendance and adjourned the proceedings to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2020 at 9:30am to give him time to refresh and recollect information on events of 2014 when the UBS Loan was obtained.