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FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK



2013 Morobe Show Will be held on the weekend of 19 & 20 October:

This Morobe show is definitely one of the prime events of the year in PNG, which offers a traditional Agriculture Show event with numerous fun attractions in the ring, fireworks, industry stalls, educational and garden displays. The Traditional sing-sing event on Sunday must be seen. Tickets are now available for sale at the Showgrounds Office. Visit the MPAS website for more information: http://www.morobeshow.org.pg

There will be a delegation of Cairns Chamber of Commerce members in Lae during the Show weekend, and they are all looking forward to seeing the event. The Cairns team will be using their time here in Lae to visit businesses and the City Council. They will host an event to meet business people of Lae and the details of this Cairns delegation is set out later in this newsletter.

Because the Morobe Show is such a draw card event, the unfortunate downside is that it attracts many people who will take advantage of the large numbers of people to steal what they can. Whilst there will be plenty of Police on duty at the show who will be on the lookout for these petty criminals, show goers must be aware that bag snatchers, pick pocketers and con men will there in numbers (which I suppose is the same as at any similar event anywhere in the world). Therefore you are advised to safeguard your property at all times:

- fasten your bags and if you can zip up you bilums
- make sure your wallets are in pockets that are buttoned down
- ensure cameras and mobile phones are secured inside bags or attached by chain or rope around the neck
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- To further the economic development in Lae:
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- To provide a representative body for business people, which government can consult;
- To promote support or oppose legislation; or take any other measures to improve the business community;
- To provide a forum for discussion of private sector goals;
- To pool the strengths of business people so that together, they can accomplish tasks that each one alone cannot achieve;
- To promote the economic viability of the area, so those current businesses will grow and new ones will be developed locally;
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Security in Lae during the Show

It is also a fact that crime generally picks up in Lae during the lead up weeks to the Show weekend and a few days thereafter. Lae has seen an increase in robberies in stores this week which may be factored into the forthcoming show. However we normally see an increase in petty street crimes, car jackings and house break-ins. Car jackings usually take place after the show when people from other Provinces use the vehicles to get back to their Province. Therefore we advise that extra precautions should be taken during this period:

- Be careful when walking around the streets and avoid gatherings of people if you can
- Make sure your vehicle is locked when you park it (make sure when using central locking, that all doors are actually locked)
- Make sure your house is secure, and on the show weekend take extra security measures, i.e arm alarms, use security guards if possible or leave the house occupied at all times.
- When driving around town, lock all doors of the vehicle and avoid crowds of people on the roadside. Travel into well known areas only.

Don't let minor incidents spoil you from enjoying this wonderful event, which you will remember for years to come.

LAE FIRE SERVICE

We have been assisting the Lae Fire Service for years, to be as properly equipped as possible. This led to the donation of a second Hand Fire Truck that the LCCI and Rotary obtained from the Queensland Fire Service about 10 years ago. Our recent attempt to obtain a further second hand Fire Truck from the South Australian Fire Service has proved too difficult but we will continue to try this type of avenue.

It is an unfortunate fact that the Lae Fire Service remains to be under resourced. It was recently boosted by a new fully kitted Fire-truck but the other remaining vehicle struggles to make it up the hill to top town. The donated truck was retired a few months ago.

The other fact is that Lae has been growing rapidly but is still only serviced by one fire station. If we look at Port Moresby which is a city of about twice the size of Lae, where four Fire stations operate, then it would seem appropriate that Lae needs two stations.

The unfortunate thing is that the Fire Service of PNG is in betwixt and between. Some years ago some of the functions were handed over to the Provinces, and since then no-one really has taken responsibility to look after all the Fire Services needs.

We do appreciate the fact that the Firemen perform really well under the circumstances that they operate from. However considering how under equipped they are and the fact that there is an increased number of buildings in Lae, there is really a need to improve their capacity and to have a second branch operational.

We have already addressed this with the Commissioner of the PNG Fire Services, but we also intend to raise this with the Governor at the next opportunity we get.



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Nautilus Minerals set to press on after ruling

9 Oct 2013 by Business Advantage Leave a Comment

Nautilus Minerals says it will go ahead with its high grade copper-gold exploration project in the Bismark Sea, after an international arbitrator compelled the Papua New Guinea government to abide by its joint venture agreement with the company.





Underwater exploration. Courtesy: Nautilus

Last week, the former Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia, Murray Gleeson, declared that the PNG government had breached an agreement it had signed in March 2011, by failing to buy a 30% interest in the project.

The PNG government had claimed Nautilus had not met certain obligations, and therefore it was entitled to terminate the agreement.

Gleeson ordered the government buy the 30% interest in the project and pay its share of all project expenditure incurred to date.

In a <u>statement</u>, Nautilus said it expected a payment of US\$118 million (K303 million) by 23 October. A company spokesperson said Nautilus was looking forward to bringing the Solwara 1 project into production, although no date has been set.

PNG's Prime Minister is yet to respond to the ruling. Nautilus executives are expected to hold a media conference later this week.

Earlier this year, the company said it had spent US\$80 million on exploration so far, and despite opposition from environment groups, PNG's Vice Minister for Mining, Wera Mori, a professional geologist, described seabed mining as healthy for PNG.

He said there would not be any footprint of environmental damages left behind, unlike other land-based mining, gas and oil explorations.

Nautilus stocks in Toronto rose 51% immediately after last Thursday's ruling.

Nautilus last year signed up China's copper smelting group, Tongling Nonferrous Metals Group Co. Ltd, as its first customer.

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About Nautilus Minerals and Solwara I

Nautilus holds more than 500,000 square kilometres of tenement applications, in PNG, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, New Zealand and the Central Pacific. Previous exploration has already identified 19 mineralised seafloor systems in the Bismarck Sea, and 19 in Tonga.

The Solwara 1 deposit, which sits on the seafloor at a water depth of 1600 metres, has a copper grade of approximately seven per cent, according to Nautilus. That compares with land-based copper mines, where the copper grade today averages 0.6%. Gold grades of more than 20 grammes per tonne have been recorded in some intercepts at Solwara 1 and the average grade is approximately six grammes per tonne, the company reports.

Poll: are your sales down in Papua New Guinea?

3 Oct 2013 by Business Advantage

Sales in Papua New Guinea have taken a tumble this year, according to the central bank's latest Monetary Policy Statement, and anecdotal evidence from key retailers and manufacturers.

How are your revenues holding up? Complete the poll below and view the results.

See our story on the issue <u>here</u>.

The BA Poll that was conducted "Are your revenues in Papua New Guinea down in 2013?" These questions were asked :

| Yes, down significantly |
|-------------------------|
| Yes, down slightly |
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This selected article gives another point of view of the Nautilus issue!



PNG government's Nautilus fiasco

Wednesday, 9 October 2013

THE events of August 2, 2011 saw the overthrow of the Somare government and the installation of the O'Neill-Namah government – but it was the prior enigmatic period that has exposed the latest sovereign risk issue for the PNG mining industry. By Wantok

Toronto-listed Nautilus Minerals was a happy recipient of a mining licence in January 2011 and was busily planning what had been intended as the world's first deepsea mining project.

When the government was overthrown in what has been regarded as a parliamentary coup that went against the spirit and letter of the PNG Constitution, things went awry for Nautilus.

Despite the tacit approval of the Somare government and the issue of a mining licence by the Mineral Resources Authority regulator, bureaucrats at the Treasury Department decided they wanted to torpedo the deepsea mining venture on grounds that have not been adequately explained.

The Treasury action, taken without the approval of any minister in the O'Neill-Namah government or since, is about to cost PNG taxpayers tens of millions of dollars.

The true costs will probably never be known because Treasury went outside the realm of normal government processes in its determination to stall the Solwara-1 deepsea mining project of Nautilus.

To back up its case Treasury ignored the normal channel of utilising the offices of the Attorney General and Solicitor General to hire its own team of private offshore lawyers, again ostensibly without any specific approval from the Treasurer or from the National Executive Council.

mong the theories offered for the Treasury course of action were questions regarding the commercial viabily of Solwara-1, the first of a number of seafloor massive sulphides found in the deep waters between the lands of Manus and New Ireland.



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PNG government's Nautilus fiasco (Cont)

Another was that Treasury had an expectation that prior to commitment to mine Nautilus needed to have raised the entire finance for the project, rather than phased funding as the project progressed through different stages.

Secrecy surrounding the arbitration and the late filing of its allegations means the public may never really know the true motivation of Treasury.

The losses to the PNG government are believed to be considerably higher than the legal costs of prosecuting its own case without reference to other key departments, such as the Attorney General and the Mineral Resources Authority.

And Nautilus now has the unenviable task of pursuing Solwara-1 during a downturn in the minerals cycle.

The dispute over the mining agreement was announced on June 1, 2012 after Nautilus declared on March 29 that the PNG government's Petromin Resources had not met its obligation of paying up for 30% of sunk costs following a national government decision to take up equity in the venture.

Nautilus did its utmost to resolve the situation through direct discussions with various Cabinet ministers and government officials – but to no avail.

On June 20 the PNG government, in reality the Treasury Department, issued a notice of arbitration. After delays caused by the late submission of the grounds of its case by Treasury, the arbitrator – Murray Gleeson – announced that hearings would commence on August 26 and that 10 days had been set aside for hearings.

The hearings were concluded by September 9 when Nautilus reiterated its preference that the "dispute" be amicably resolved through negotiations between the government and the company.

The arrogance with which Treasury had dealt with the entire process has been met with a stunned silence to the arbitrator's decision last Thursday that the PNG government had breached the state equity option agreement of March 2011 signed by both parties and that it had failed to complete the purchase of a 30% stake in Solwara 1 on November 7, 2011.

The arbitrator's decision, which is final and binding, requires the PNG government to complete the purchase of a 30% interest and to pay 30% of all incurred expenditure within a reasonable timeframe.

Whereas the state had been required to pay a total of \$US75 million in November 2011, it now faces a total bill of about \$118 million, including interest, which is due by October 23, according to a statement released by Nautilus.

As the purchaser of the equity on behalf of the state, Petronas will face this cost and may never be able to shaft home the blame for one of the nation's great financial fiascos in recent times.



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Cairns Delegation 18 - 23 October 2013

The Cairns Chamber of Commerce will be leading a business delegation to Lae and Port Moresby from 18-23 October. The intention of the delegation is to develop and secure mutually beneficial opportunities to grow our collective regions. This delegation will be the third in an ongoing series of official engagements, as part of our International Business Development Program, which will deliver more meaningful, tangible results for the Cairns and the Far North Oueensland region's business community.

The industry sectors that will be the strategic focus for this delegation include, but are not limited to:

Agribusiness industry development (ie: advisory services, animal health, nutrition & reproduction, cropping, disease management, fishing, beef cattle, food processing, horticulture and dairy); Marine & allied marine services: Industrial and commercial manufacturing and distribution solutions / services; Environmental solutions (ie: water & waste water, solar energy, etc); Business development professional services (ie: recruitment; training; compliance; accounting;





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Bold Thinking: Imagining PNG in the Asian Century

There has been an overwhelming response to the Cocktail function that the ANZ will be holding on next Tuesday 15th October at 5:30 to 8:30 PM. As the Bulolo Room at the LIH has limited space then we have to restrict numbers. If you still wish to attend and have not confirmed a seat, the please click the following URL and see if you can get a later booking –

 $\underline{\text{http://www.lcci.org.pg/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/ANZ-PNG-Lae-Chamber-of-Commerce-ANZ-Cocktail-Invite} \ \ \underline{\text{15-Oct.pdf}}$

'Bold Thinking: Imagining PNG in the Asian Century' details the significant opportunity available to PNG as a result of the shift in global economic growth to Asia. The report concludes that PNG has the potential to grow export revenues at least four-fold to US\$23 billion by 2030 and explores the strategic response required from all stakeholders in order to drive forward a vision of a vibrant, dynamic PNG. It has been commissioned by ANZ Group, with the research work and report written by Port Jackson Partners (www.pipl.com.au).

The event format is a late afternoon/early evening cocktail function. The presentation will be done by Grant Mitchell from Port Jackson Partners, and the ANZ PNG Managing Director Mark Baker will be in attendance along with Vishnu Mohan, ANZ CEO Pacific as the special guest.



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The details and contacts are as follows:

LAE - Cocktails and BBQ at the Huon Club Wednesday Oct 16 from 6.30pm. Dress —Good Casual (Men Trousers and Collared Shirt) Contact Peter Diezmann 73183601 Daniel & Angus King 4724133 (Chemcare)

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FROM THE AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER

Please find on the opposite page a series of fact sheets prepared regarding the Regional Processing Centre on Manus. They provide information on the following topics:

- Fact sheet 1 Regional Processing
 Centre on Manus:
 economic
 Opportunities
- Fact sheet 2 Australia-PNG defence cooperation on Manus
- Fact sheet 3 Australian Government development assistance to Manus
- Fact sheet 4 Australian Government existing Manus province aid Package

These fact sheets are available on the Australian High Commission website at

http://www.png.embas sy.gov.au/pmsb/media .html and facebook.

The fact sheets will be updated regularly. I trust you will find this information helpful.

This message was signed by Deborah Stokes, the Australian High Commissioner, Port Moresby



REGIONAL PROCESSING CENTRE ON MANUS: ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FACT SHEET 1 - AS AT 1 OCT 2013

Employment

- **424 PNG** citizens are employed to provide services at the Regional Processing Centre (RPC) on Lombrum 287 of these are from Manus.
- Manus residents are also employed to assist with construction works at the centre.
- Services at the Lombrum centre are delivered by G4S, International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) and the Salvation Army.
 - All service providers are required to maximise employment of PNG citizens wherever possible.
- 81% of staff employed by G4S and its sub-contractors are PNG citizens.
 - In September, G4S conducted a recruitment process for **350 new jobs**. Up to 500 Manusians are registered with G4S and may be offered employment in the future.
- A second RPC will be built in East Lorengau. This centre is expected to employ up to 230 PNG citizens, including 160 from Manus.
- Staff employed to carry out work at an RPC will be paid wages commensurate with other locally available job opportunities.
 - Employees who travel from other parts of PNG may have their wages supplemented with an allowance for living away from home while working.

Contracts for goods and services

- There are three major contractors working at the Lombrum centre on building projects: Decmil, Red Seas Housing and Toll Remote Logistics.
- These companies have engaged at least 60 PNG-based subcontractors.
- At least 10 Manus companies have a direct business involvement providing goods and services to the RPC. This includes accommodation, laundry, car hire, gardening, fuel supply and cleaning, worth in excess of K170,000 per week.
- The engagement of local businesses and local employment will increase with any further expansion of the Lombrum centre and with the commencement of construction at the Lorengau site.

Contracts for construction

- Construction work on East Lorengau site will commence as soon as the PNG Government finalises the transfer of land title.
- The overall value of subcontract work for this construction will be approximately K240 million.
- Decmil Australia has been appointed as the Managing Contractor for the East Lorengau site.
 Decmil has called for expressions of interest from subcontractors and suppliers for:
 - general site preliminaries / setup- structural steel supply
 - fuel management including supply & storage- design & construct modular buildings
 - vehicles supply- structural steel & building module
 - bulk earthworks / civil works installation
 - design & construct screw piers- design & construct in-situ buildings
 - concrete batching plant- design & construct hydraulic services
 - logistics- design & construct water treatment
 - land survey and sewer treatment plant
 - security services- design & construct communication &
 - charter flights security services
 - worker's accommodation- design & construct electrical & fire
 - perimeter fencing services
 - design & construct power generation

Companies and individuals were invited to register their interest for this work by 5pm Friday, 4 October 2013 by email Manus@decmil.com.au or phone+675 705 934 83.

- Contractors who tender will be required to:
 - Provide a plan to maximise **local PNG labour workforce engagement** across the project;
 - develop a training program to up-skill the capabilities of the local workforce to provide a legacy once the project is complete; and
 - engage local subcontractors and provide mentoring.

- Work at the Lombrum RPC is underway to expand and upgrade facilities.
 - This is being managed by two contractors: Red Sea Housing and TOLL. The work being carried out under these contracts is worth an estimated K120 million in total.
- If the **construction of additional facilities at the Lombrum RPC** is required, this would provide opportunities for Manus and PNG businesses to tender for:
 - building fabrication and installation- plant, vehicle and hardware supply and operation
 - electrical and plumbing works- security and logistics
 - clearing, earthworks and landscaping

AUSTRALIA-PNG DEFENCE COOPERATION ON MANUS FACT SHEET 2 AS AT 1 OCT 2013

- Under the Defence Cooperation Program, the Australian Defence Force Exercise Halivim Poroman commenced on 9 August at the Lombrum Naval Base. This exercise will refurbish married quarters and is valued at over K2.5 million. The project will use contractors, supplies and equipment from Papua New Guinea for the work and is expected to be complete in December 2013.
- Australian Defence Force personnel are assisting with this work, in partnership with PNGDF tradesmen.
- The Australian Defence force has been working with the PNG Defence Force to repair the dam at the Lombrum Base. All the parts for the dam have been supplied and PNG Defence Force clearance divers from HMPNGS Basilisk will carry out the work.
- The crew of HMAS Choules is working with Patrol Boat crews from the PNGDF to **conduct training in specialist areas** such as navigation and ship handling. This training will help the PNGDF use their fleet to protect PNG's fisheries from illegal fishing.
- The crew of HMAS Choules is also working with the Commanding Officer of the Lombrum Naval Base to improve the quality of services provided to the PNGDF families living on the base.
- The renovation of existing buildings at the Lombrum Naval Base and the building of new structures to house asylum seekers will provide the PNG Defence Force with infrastructure that will benefit the base and the Defence Force over the long-term.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO MANUS FACT SHEET 3 AS AT 1 OCT 2013

- The Australian and Papua New Guinea Governments have agreed to provide additional support to Manus Province.
 - Under the package, the PNG Government has provided K18.5 million to the Manus Provincial Government for projects in Manus Australia will at least match this contribution and expects to exceed it.
 - The PNG National and Manus Provincial Governments determine which projects will receive funding under the additional assistance package.
- The PNG National Government and the Manus Provincial Government have decided that funding from the additional development assistance package will be used for the following projects:

- Lorengau hospital

- The procurement of **medical equipment** is underway. The first batch was delivered to the CEO of Lorengau Hospital, Dr Otto Numan, on 26 September by Charles Kendall & Partners.
- Preparations are underway to renovate the water system for the dental clinic. Contracts went to tender in the week of 30 September and will close on 18 October. Work is expected to commence in late October.
- The company Peddle Thorp Pty Ltd is developing a master plan for Lorengau hospital, following feedback from various stakeholders on an initial report. The final master plan is expected to be completed by early November.

- Education infrastructure

- Infrastructure kits will be delivered to the following schools by the Manus Provincial Division of Education by December 2013:
 - Bipi, M'Buke, Lau, Harengan, Andra, Likum, Nohang, Wuvulu, Waratalai, Ndilou, Aua, Pateki, Nyada, Lomoei, Metyih, Mouklen, Baso, Metepong, Ndrehet and Lundret.
- Construction has already commenced at Bipi, N'yada, Harangan, Likum, Metapong and M'buke primary schools. Another seven kits departed Lae on 30 September, with the remaining seven to follow on 16 October.

Local Communities are engaged in the construction process. Each community can be paid K30,000 to cover labour costs, as well as sand for cementing, stones for landscaping, clearing the site, providing accommodation for the workers, etc.

 For the six schools currently under construction, the contractor has engaged local labourers nominated by the community.

- Road maintenance and rehabilitation works

- Australia's Minister for Immigration and Border Protection and the Governor of Manus agreed on 27 September that Australia would fund and take forward the implementation of the first three projects proposed in the Manus Infrastructure Support for Transport report:
- rehabilitation of the Loniu and Nuwok bridges (on the road between Momote and Lorengau);
- maintenance including some resealing and earthworks to enhance resilience to flooding of the Lorengau Momote road; and
- rehabilitation of the roads and drains around the Lorengau market square.

- Renovation of Lorengau Market Roof

Australia's Minister for Immigration and Border Protection and the Governor of Manus also agreed that Australia would take forward the renovation of the Lorengau market with a particular focus on replacing the roof and Australia will fund this fully.

- Community grants for youth activities

- The Australian Government's *Strongim Pipol Strongim Nesen* (SPSN) program is working with the Provincial Division of Community Development to identify activities for Manus youth.
- The projects will focus on youth in sports and income generation, and include informal education campaigns about the health hazards and social impact of drugs and alcohol.
- A draft MOU has been shared in September with the Provincial Administration. AusAID is waiting for comments/approval from the Provincial Administration. Pending this approval, the project will commence.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT EXISTING MANUS PROVINCE AID PACKAGE FACT SHEET 4

AS AT 1 OCT 2013

Pre-existing aid to Manus Province

The Australian Government's Development Assistance Package to Manus (see fact sheet No. 3) is in addition to AusAID's existing support under the Partnership for Development to Manus Province (approximately \$8 million over 2012-15).

Australia's existing aid package to Manus includes:

Education (\$3.728 million, including approx \$0.78 million in Scholarships)

- Infrastructure kits for 10 schools;
- Delivery of 35,000 textbooks by 2015;
- Subsidy payments for elementary schools;
- The awarding of five Australian Awards Scholarships.

Health (\$3.251 million)

- Purchase and delivery of 40 per cent and 100 per cent medical supply kits to 61 aid posts and 13 health centres:
- Procurement and distribution of 16 emergency obstetric care medical kits;
- The awarding of 33 scholarships in midwifery, nursing and community health work.

Law and justice (\$228,180, and advisory support as required)

- Manus Provincial Justice Centre design consultancy 95% complete (approximately \$164,000);
- Present final report of Kastom and Women Project to Manus Provincial Assembly (approximately \$63,000).
 Project was designed to test ways of reducing discrimination against women and increase participation in decision making through the Village Courts;
- Senior Provincial Magistrate and village court clerk involved in the development of the curriculum for national training of village court officers (no cost estimate as part of larger program of support).

Sub-national Program (\$0.8 million for training to improve provincial and ward level governance and K0.259 million (approx. \$0.116 million) for Capacity Development Incentive)

- Training to improve district and ward-level governance:
- Technical advice on public financial management;

- · Budget training for ward level officials; and
- Human resources support for the Manus Provincial Administration.

Strongim Pipol Strongim Nesen (\$824,711)

There are 11 SPSN small grants allocated for Manus:

- 1. Dungou Masih Community: water sanitation and hygiene;
- 2. Liwliw Elementary School: classroom;
- 3. Manus Disability Sports Association: Personnel Viability Training for people with disabilities;
- 4. Mbunai Primary School: double classroom;
- 5. Parioi Perelik Ward 4: elementary classroom;
- 6. Pihi Tetidu Womens Group: Pihi Wards resource centre;
- 7. Likum Ward Development Committee: CHW house and aid post;
- 8. Los Negros LLG: Locha LLG Centre aid post;
- 9. Ndrehet Ward Development Committee: Khehek water supply sanitation and hygiene;
- 10. Pihi Kali Association: Pihi Kali village banking; and
- 11. Pihing Butjou Womens Group: Water supply and sanitation.