# Bougainville Revenue & Tax Summit



Securing our Future



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## **Talking Points**



- Vision and Values
- Background
- Functions & Outcomes
- Opportunities & prospects
- Challenges
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## Customs Vision



Securing our Future

Spirited and committed to be a regional leader in securing our National Border to enhance the security and socioeconomic development of Papua New Guinea including Bougainville.



## PNG Customs Mission...



- Protect PNG's
   border, communities
   & industry
- Enhance facilitation of international trade & travel
- Protect and collect Government revenue









## Commitment

We are committed to maintaining the Customs long standing tradition of protecting the community and contributing to the development and prosperity of Papua New Guineans.





## Professionalism

We will develop our human capital to be professionally trained and to embrace international best practice









## Service

We will render a high standard of service to the Government, community, local industry and external stakeholders; whilst being mindful of the need to reduce impediments to trade and investment.





## Integrity

We maintain high Christian principles and are honest, transparent and accountable in our actions and decisions we make, for a fair and equitable outcome for the Government, local industries and investors.







## A. Background





- 362 Officers/535 per structure
- 19 Locations
- Coastline 5152 km
- Land Border 820 km



## Cont'd.....Background



- Established in 1888
- PNG Customs is responsible for protecting the country's border and community, preventing transnational crimes and ensuring there is effective supply chain security.
- Work in collaboration with a number of key partner agencies including Government and industry.
- The Chief Commissioner of Customs is the principle officer in the organisation and is responsible to the Treasurer and Minister for Finance and now Minister for Border Protection & Immigrations.
- Separated from IRC in late June 2009 by NEC Decision. This Decision allows PNG Customs to better balance its enhanced border protection role with its trade and revenue collection functions.



# Cont'd....Background



- The Papua New Guinea (PNG) Customs Service has three key functions:
  - Border Security
    - Facilitate legitimate movement of people and goods across our border while maintaining the integrity and security of the border, ensuring supply chain security and protecting the health and safety of our people.
      - Community Protection
        - Prevent and detect illicit and counterfeit goods harmful to the community.
  - Trade Facilitation
    - Facilitate legitimate trade with minimum delay and costs.
  - Revenue Collection
    - Collect Government revenue and provide reliable trade statistics and economic data.



# B. Customs Functions & Outcomes



#### **A1. Border Security and Community Protection**

- Facilitate legitimate border movements
- Maintain border integrity and security
- Ensure supply chain security
- Protect the health and safety of the people of PNG



#### Cont'd....Border Security Community Protection



We focus on:

- Drugs;
- Counter Terrorism;
- Pornography;
- Firearms;
- Dangerous goods;
- Counterfeit items.



 Protecting our Border

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# **Cont'd...Border Security** Major Outcomes



- Detention of a number of conveyance, Persons of Interest, cargos
- Ongoing targeting of intervention of contrabands,
- Community Hotline program,
- Improving relations with Partner Organisation such as Solomon Islands Customs, Australia Border Force, Indonesia and others in the region,



## **C. Trade Facilitation**



- Facilitate legitimate trade with minimal delay and costs
- Introduction,
  - Post clearance Audits,
  - Cargo manifest audits,
  - Cargo Management reforms,
- Container X-Ray Examination Facility







#### PNG Top 5 Trade Partners (2012-2016)

Import	Value (K'billions)	Export	Value (K'billions)
Australia	79.41	Australia	30.90
Singapore	10.46	Japan	23.10
China	7.68	China	15.87
Malaysia	4.89	Phillipines	7.79
Japan	3.58	Taiwan, Province of China	5.23
Total	106.02	TOTAL	82.89

Australia, China and Japan continue to be PNG's major trading partners



# **PNG - Top 5 Trade Partners -**(2012-2016)

Australia,
Singapore,
China,

Japan



# Bougainville – Exports (2012-2016)







Main Exporting Countries of Coca and Copra

Malaysia

- Indonesia
- Singapore
- Switzerland



## **Bougainville –Import Commodities**



 All imports are from Lae and Rabaul
 Except for some imports Solomon Islands who in most times not declared for Customs purposes,



# Customs Functions & Outcome

#### A3. Protect and Collect Government Revenue

Collect Government revenue & provide reliable trade statistics and economic data



#### **PNG Revenue Collection – (2012-2016)**



Years	Actual Revenue Collected	<b>Budget Projections</b>
2012	K2.49 billion	K2.12 billion
2013	K2.35 billion	K2.41 billion
2014	K2.52 billion	K2.63 billion
2015	K2.58 billion	K2.61 billion
2016	K2.42 billion	K2.67 billion
TOTAL	K12.36 billion	K12.44 billion

- More than a quarter of the Government Budget for this period
- Minimal deficit of only K8 million for the period



# **Bougainville – Revenue Collection (2013-2017)**



Duty	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	2017 -Buka								
	2013	2014	2015	2016	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total YTD
Import Duty	106,555.88	144,083.71	97,952.15	111,164.47		5,728.87	7,802.59		2,134.10	550.44	23.86		16,239.9
Local Excise	-	•	•	915.89	101.33	•	-	•	385.97	•	-		487.3
Export Duty	-	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	-		
Import GST	-	377,793.98	516,287.73	476,372.31	15,653.16	20,899.35	16,977.54	2,350.09	12,768.43	24,485.73	120.38	9,108.09	102,362.8
Import Excise	258,687.55	39,925.03	79,267.86	124,036.13	7,120.77	-	-	-	139.96	7,290.42	-	11,114.70	25,665.9
Sundries	-	14,112.65	2,570.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	•	1,000.00	•	•	•	-	•	2,000.0
Custa	960.00	2,430.00	2,880.00	8,610.00	660.00	450.00	720.00	540.00	960.00	900.00	690.00	450.00	5,370.0
	365,243.43	575,915.37	696,077.74	713,488.80	23,875.26	26,628.22	25,780.13	2,350.09	15,428.46	32,326.59	144.24	20,222.79	146,755.78





#### **Bougainville – Revenue Collection by tax heads (2013-2017)**

Duty	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	TOTAL	
	2013	2014	2015	2016		
Import Duty	106,555.88	144,083.71	97,952.15	111,164.47	459,756.21	
Local Excise	-	-	-	915.89	915.89	
Export Duty	-	-	-	-		
Import GST	-	377,793.98	542,915.95	503,000.53	1,423,710.46	
Import Excise	258,687.55	39,925.03	79,267.86	124,036.13	501,916.57	
Sundries	-	14,112.65	2,570.00	1,000.00	17,682.65	
Custa		2,430.00	2,880.00	8,610.00	13,920.00	
	365,243.43	575,915.37	722,705.96	740,117.02	2,403,981.78	

Custa	2017 -Buka									Total 2013-2017
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total YTD	
Import Duty		5,728.87	7,802.59		2,134.10	550.44	23.86		16,239.9	475,996.07
Local Excise	101.33		•		385.97	•		•	487.3	1,403.19
Export Duty		•	•		•	•		•		
Import GST	15,653.16	20,899.35	16,977.54	2,350.09	12,768.43	24,485.73	120.38	9,108.09	102,362.8	1,526,073.23
Import Excise	7,120.77		•		139.96	7,290.42		11,114.70	25,665.9	527,582.42
Sundries	1,000.00	•	1,000.00		•	•		•	2,000.0	19,682.65
Custa	660.00	450.00	720.00	540.00	960.00	900.00	690.00	450.00	5,370.0	19,290.00
	23,875.26	26,628.22	25,780.13	2,350.09	15,428.46	32,326.59	144.24	20,222.79	146,755.78	2,570,027.56

Total import duty (2013 – August 2017) is <u>K475,996.07</u> Total local excise (2013 – August 2017) is <u>K1,403.19</u> Total export duty (2013 – August 2017) is <u>K1,526,073.23</u> Total import GST (2013 – August 2017) is <u>K1,526,073.23</u> Total import excise (2013 – August 2017) is <u>K527,582.42</u> Total sundries (2013-August 2017) is <u>K19,682.65</u>

Total for the period is K2,570,027.56



#### Achievements



- Papua New Guinea Customs Service Act, 2014
- ASYCUDA World Project in progress,
- Customs Administrative Orders and Standard Operating Procedures,
- Container Examination Facility Program,



## Challenges



- Increasing global trade and movement of people and conveyances across the borders,
- Revenue leakages through devaluation, fraud and corruption,
- Revisiting the Tariff & Excise Regime,



#### Challenges... continue



- Manpower shortages.
- Lack of institutional capacity and capability.
- Training of officers productivity.
- Border protection capability.
- Standards





# **Opportunities & Prospects**

- Warehouse Facilities, (Review "Gateway Clearance" Policy) Excise Act
  - Beer/Alcohol, Cigarette, Fuel (diesel, petrol)
- Import Duty and Excise Policy,
- Review Exports programs,
- Bougainville Free Trade Zone initiative,
- Investments out of AROB on Customs Programs,



#### Take Home



#### Key outcomes of Customs:

- Protect our borders and communities
- Facilitate international trade
- Collect revenue
- Review Exports programs,
- Design Tariff & Excise Policy,
- Free Trade Zone,
- Assist Customs by reporting suspicious movement of persons, conveyances, business and goods across the border.







## Questions...





