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SIR MANASUPE ZURENUOC
CONDOLENCE MESSAGE

It is with the greatest of sadness that I mourn the loss of one this country's finest public servants in the Late Sir Manasupe Zurenuoc.

Sir Manasupe Zurenuoc served this country with humility and distinction as the former Chief Secretary to the PNG National Government. Prior to his appointment as Chief Secretary he worked in various capacities in the Morobe Provincial Government. He further distinguished himself at the Tutumang as the province's Chief Administrator.

The Late Manasupe Zurenuoc came from a family of leaders in the heartland of Finchaffen. His father was a very strong Lutheran and one of the early leaders in the House of Assembly prior to independence who I had the honor of knowing. He was bred to be a lead and a leader he did become. He was a man of principle and valued the simplicities of life and happiness which showed in his zeal for life and commitment to his duties as a servant of the public. He lived by Christian values and he was a good father to his family and a good leader to those who knew him.

I must give credit to the Late Sir Manasupe Zurenuoc for heading the National Government's side on negotiating important issues and development on Bougainville since the inception of the autonomous arrangement in 2005. His calm demeanour was welcomed by the Autonomous Bougainville Government as we all worked together to foster peace building and strengthening the people's rights to self-determination. He will be fondly remembered by Bougainvilleans for playing an important role in our journey to realise our aspirations.

I pay tribute to Sir Manasupe Zurenuoc who was a true servant of the people and on behalf of the Autonomous Bougainville Government and the people of Bougainville I offer my sincerest condolences to his family and the people of Morobe Province, may he Rest in Peace.

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