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INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

No. 2 of 1997.

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MADE by the Head of State, acting with, and in accordance with, the advice of the National Executive Council, under the *Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections*.

Dated 200 .

1. INTERPRETATION.

(1) In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires, or some other meaning is clearly intended—

“**the Law**” means the *Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections*.

(2) A reference to a form by number shall be read as a reference to a form so numbered in the Schedule.

2. FEE FOR COPY OF ELECTORAL ROLL.

The fee for a copy of the latest print of an electorate Roll shall be K0.40 per page.

3. CLAIM FOR ENROLMENT.

(1) A claim for enrolment shall be in Form 1.

(2) A witness to a claim for enrolment shall be—

(a) an elector; or

(b) a person who is qualified to be an elector.

4. CLAIM FOR TRANSFER OF ENROLMENT.

A claim for transfer of enrolment shall be in Form 2.

5. CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ETC.

A claim for—

(a) alteration of enrolled address within the same electorate; or

(b) correction of name, address or occupation of the elector,

shown on the electorate Roll shall be in Form 3 and shall be witnessed by an elector or a person who is entitled to be an elector.

6. INQUIRY OF RETURNING OFFICER.

(1) The Returning Officer may, subject to the direction of the Electoral Commission, make inquiries as to the names of persons entitled to be enrolled, but who are not enrolled, or who have changed their place of residence from one address in the electorate to another address in that electorate without notifying the Returning Officer.

(2) Where the Returning Officer is satisfied that a person has failed to comply with the provisions of Section 57 of the Law, he may notify him of the non-compliance in Form 4.

(3) A person may reply to a notice under Subsection (2) in Form 5.

(4) Where a person—

- (a) fails to reply to a notice under Subsection (2); or
- (b) does not reply to a notice under that subsection in a satisfactory manner,

the Returning Officer may, with the consent of the Electoral Commission, institute proceedings against that person.

7. NOTICE OF TRANSFER.

A notice of transfer of enrolment shall be in Form 6.

8. REJECTION OF CLAIM.

(1) A notification or rejection of—

- (a) a claim for enrolment; or
- (b) transfer of enrolment,

shall be in Form 7.

(2) A notification under Subsection (1) shall be—

- (a) sent to the claimant at the postal address; or
- (b) delivered to the place of residence,

shown on his claim.

9. OBJECTION.

(1) Where an objection to a name on a Roll is in writing it shall be in Form 8.

(2) For the purposes of Sections 67 and 68 of the Law, Assistant Returning Officers are prescribed officers.

10. NOTICE OF OBJECTION.

(1) For the purposes of Section 69(2) of the Law, where a notice of objection to a name on a Roll is in writing it shall be in Form 9.

(2) The answer to a notice of objection under Subsection (1) shall, where it is in writing, be signed by the person to whom the notice is directed, in the presence of a witness who shall be—

- (a) an elector; or
- (b) a person qualified to be an elector.

(3) An answer to an objection shall be given or delivered, as the case may be, to the Returning Officer for the electorate to which the Roll relates.

11. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF OBJECTION.

(1) A notice of the determination of and objection by the Returning Officer may be in Form 10.

(2) A notice under Subsection (1)–

(a) removing the name of the person objected to; or

(b) dismissing the objection,

shall be delivered or posted by registered post to the last known place of residence of the objector or the person objected to or both, as the case requires.

12. APPLICATION, ETC., TO DISTRICT COURT.

(1) An application to the District Court for an order–

(a) directing that the name of an elector be enrolled or reinstated on the Roll, as the case requires, under Section 72(1) of the Law; or

(b) sustaining an objection under Section 72(2) of the Law,

shall be in writing.

(2) An application under Subsection (1)(b) shall be lodged within two months after the determining of the objection.

(3) Service of notice of application under Section 72(3) of the Law shall be delivered or posted by registered post to the last known place of residence of the objector or the person objected to, as the case requires.

13. NOMINATION.

The nomination of a candidate for election shall be in Form 11.

14. ELECTRONIC ADVICE ON NOMINATION.

An electronic advice from an Assistant Returning Officer or authorized person to the Returning Officer for the electorate notifying nomination of a candidate shall be in Form 12.

15. WITHDRAWAL OF NOMINATION.

A notice of withdrawal of nomination of a candidate–

(a) shall be in Form 13; and

(b) shall be signed before–

(i) the Returning Officer; or

(ii) the Assistant Returning Officer; or

(ii) a person authorized for that purpose by the Returning Officer.

16. ELECTRONIC ADVICE ON WITHDRAWAL.

An electronic advice from an Assistant Returning Officer or authorized person to the Returning Officer for the electorate notifying the withdrawal of nomination of a candidate shall be in Form 14.

17. POSTAL VOTE CERTIFICATE, ETC.

A postal vote certificate and declaration by an elector shall be in Form 15.

18. BALLOT-PAPERS.

(1) The Electoral Commission may, in respect of an election, by notice in the National Gazette, declare that photographs will be used on the ballot-papers in accordance with this section.

(2) A declaration under Subsection (1) shall contain specifications of the type of photograph to be used.

(3) Where a declaration has been made under Subsection (1) in respect of an election, the Electoral Commission shall in writing request—

- (a) each political party to supply to the Electoral Commission—
 - (i) a list of candidates publicly supported by that political party in the election and of the electorates in which they are publicly supported; and
 - (ii) a photograph as specified in the declaration under Subsection (1) of the Parliamentary leader or a person recognised by the Party Constitution, of that political party; and
- (b) each candidate to—
 - (i) supply to the Electoral Commission a photograph as specified in the declaration under Subsection (1) of the candidate himself; and
 - (ii) confirm whether he is publicly supported by a political party and, if so, by which political party.

(4) Where a declaration has been made under Subsection (1) in respect of an election, the ballot-paper for that election shall be in Form 16, and shall, subject to this section, contain a photograph of the head of—

- (a) each candidate; and
- (b) where a candidate is publicly supported by a political party, the Parliamentary leader of that political party or a person recognized by the Party Constitution,

taken from the photographs supplied, and positioned on the ballot paper as shown in Form 16.

(5) Where a candidate fails to comply with Subsection (3)(b)(i), the Electoral Commission may, with the consent of the candidate, arrange for a photograph of the candidate to be taken suitable for inclusion in the ballot-paper.

(6) For the purposes of this section the photographs shall be reproduced in a manner and form approved by the Electoral Commission and the Electoral Commission may exclude from them any material that is, in the opinion of the Electoral Commission, extraneous or irrelevant to the matter of identifying the respective candidates.

(7) Where a candidate—

- (a) fails to comply with Subsection (3)(b)(i); or
- (b) supplies a photograph which is, in the opinion of the Electoral Commission, unsuitable for reproduction,

and the Electoral Commission is otherwise unable to obtain a suitable photograph with the consent of the candidate, no photograph of the candidate shall appear on the ballot-paper.

(8) Where—

- (a) a candidate is not publicly supported by a political party; or
- (b) a candidate is publicly supported by more than one political party; or
- (c) in the opinion of the Electoral Commission, there is doubt as to—
 - (i) whether a candidate is publicly supported by a political party; and
 - (ii) which political party is publicly to support a candidate; or
- (d) a political party is publicly supporting a candidate but has failed to comply with the provisions of Subsection (3)(a),

no photograph of a Parliamentary leader of a political party or of a person recognized by the Party Constitution shall appear opposite the name of that candidate on the ballot paper.

(9) In any case where no declaration has been made under Subsection (1), ordinary ballot papers to be used shall be in Form 17.

(10) Postal ballot papers to be used in an election shall be in Form 18 or 19.

19. ELECTORAL MARKING.

In this Regulation, unless contrary intention appears—

“appropriate mark” means a mark made with indelible ink;

“appropriate”, in relation to the inspection or marking of a voter, means—

- (a) the little finger of his left hand, or, if such little finger is missing, any other finger of his left hand; or

- (b) if all the fingers of his left hand are missing, the little finger of his right hand or, if such little finger is missing, any other finger of his right hand; or
- (c) if all the fingers of his left and right hands are missing, such extremity of his left or right hand as such voter possesses.

20. INSPECTION OF FINGERS.

Before handing a ballot paper to a person claiming to vote, the presiding officer or a poll clerk shall request the person to allow an inspection of his fingers to ascertain whether the appropriate mark has been made and shall inspect the finger offered for inspection.

21. PERSONS RECEIVING BALLOT PAPER TO BE MARKED.

The presiding officer or a poll clerk, who in terms of Section 136(1) of the Law hands a ballot paper to a person claiming to vote, shall immediately after handing the ballot paper to that person, place the appropriate mark on that person.

22. CERTAIN PARTICULARS TO BE RECORDED.

(1) Where a person claiming to vote—

- (a) refuses to allow an inspection of his fingers under Section 21; or
- (b) refuses to allow the appropriate mark to be made under Section 22; or
- (c) is found, on an inspection under Section 21, to have on his finger a mark which, in the opinion of the presiding officer or a poll clerk, resembles an appropriate mark,

the presiding officer or a poll clerk shall prepare a report for the inspection of the Electoral Commission and the Returning Officer.

(2) A report under Subsection (1) shall specify—

- (a) the name given by the person; and
- (b) the reason why the report is made.

23. DECLARATION WHERE NAME HAS BEEN MARKED.

A voter shall before he is permitted to vote under Section 141 of the Law make a declaration in Form 20.

24. DECLARATION BY PERSON NOTED AS PERSON TO WHOM POSTAL CERTIFICATE, ETC., ISSUED.

A declaration by a person to whom Section 142 of the Law applies shall be in Form 21.

25. INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS, ETC.

Inspection of Rolls and documents in connection with any matter under Part XVIII of the Law shall be in the presence of the Returning Officer for the electorate to which the Rolls and documents relate.

26. PRESERVATION OF BALLOT-PAPERS, ETC.

(1) At the end of the polling period, the presiding officer at each polling place shall—

- (a) place the certified list of voters for the polling place in a sealed parcel; and
- (b) endorse on the parcel a description of its contents; and
- (c) transmit the parcel to the Returning Officer with the least possible delay.

(2) All ballot-papers, certified lists of voters and declarations in connection with an election shall be preserved by the Returning Officer until the election can no longer be questioned.

27. OFFENCES.

A person claiming to vote who—

- (a) refuses to allow an inspection of his fingers under Section 21; or
- (b) refuses to allow the appropriate mark to be made under Section 22,

is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: A fine not exceeding K200.00.

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SCHEDULE 1 – FORMS.

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Form 1 – Claim for enrolment.

Law Secs. 55(4), 57(1). Form 1.Reg. Sec. 3.

SIDE 1.

Note: The instructions on the reverse side should be read before the form is completed. The claimant should make sure that he receives an acknowledgement of this form from the Returning Officer.

To the Returning Officer,

Electorate.

Father's name or Surname:

Other names, given names or Traditional names:

Place of residence: —

Lot Number:

Section Number:

Street:

Sabat, Town or Village:

Census Division:

District:

Province:

Occupation:

Sex:

Address:

1. I am a citizen of Papua New Guinea.
2. I have resided in the . . . Electorate for at least the last six months.
3. I am not under the age of 18 years.
4. I am not under sentence of death or sentence of imprisonment for a period of more than nine months.
5. I have not, in the last three years, been convicted of an offence relating to elections prescribed by an Organic Law or Act of the Parliament for the purposes of Section 50(1)(b) of the *Constitution*.
6. I am of full capacity.
7. I am not now enrolled on the Roll for this or any other Electorate.

I hereby claim enrolment as an elector of Papua New Guinea, I declare that all of the statements made in this claim are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Personal signature or mark of a claimant.

Note: The witness should not sign his name until he has read the instructions on the reverse side.

I, the undersigned, am an elector or am qualified to be an elector, and certify that I have seen the above-named claimant sign the above claim, and that I either know the statements made by him to be true or have satisfied myself by asking the claimant, or in some other way, that they are true.

Personal signature of witness.

Address:

Occupation:

SPACE TO BE FILLED IN BY RETURNING OFFICER.

Rec'd (date) . . .) Initials

Reg'd (date) . . .)

Ack'd (date)

SIDE 2

Form 1.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CLAIMANT AND WITNESS FOR FILLING IN PARTICULARS ON OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM.

The claimant, when filling in his place of residence, must state an house number, Lot and Section numbers, name of house, name of street, suburb and town or name of village or settlement, census division, District (previously sub-District) and province.

WARNING FOR CLAIMANTS.

A claimant who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

Any person who signs the name of another person as claimant may be fined up to K400.00.

WARNING FOR WITNESSES.

A witness who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

A witness who—

- (a) signs as witness on this form when it has not been completed and signed by the claimant; or
- (b) signs this form as witness when he has not seen the claimant sign it; or
- (c) signs any one else's name or a name not being that of the witness on this form; or
- (d) signs this form without first being satisfied, by asking the claimant or in some other way, that the statements made by the claimant in this form are true, unless he knows they are true,

is liable to a fine not exceeding K400.00.

Note: Claims for enrolment forms and envelopes in which the forms may be sent post free to the Returning Officer may be obtained at any Electoral Office or Post Office.

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Form 2 – Claim for transfer of enrolment.

Law Sec. 57(1)

Form 2.Reg. Sec. 4.

SIDE 1.

To the Returning Officer,
... Electorate.

I am entolled on the Roll for the above Electorate as follows:—

Father's name or Surname:

Other names, given names or Traditional names:

Occupation:

Sex:

Address:

I request you to transfer my entolment to your electorate on the grounds that I have resided in that electorate for at least the last six months and have not been disqualified and I submit the following particulars:—

Father's name or Surname:

Other names, given names or Traditional names:

Place of residence:—

Lot Number:

Section Number:

Street:

Suburb, Town or Village:

Census Division:

District:

Province:

Occupation:

Sex:

Address:

Signature of elector,

Date:

Note: The witness should not sign his name until he has read the instructions on the reverse side.

I, the undersigned, am an elector or am qualified to be an elector, and certify that I have seen the above-named claimant sign the above claim, and that I either know the statements made by him to be true or have satisfied myself by asking the claimant, or in some other way, that they are true.

Personal signature of witness.

Address:

Occupation:

SPACE TO BE FILLED IN BY RETURNING OFFICER.

Rec'd (date) . . .) Initials

Rec'd (date) . . .)

Ack'd (date)

SIDE 2.

Form 2.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CLAIMANT AND WITNESS FOR FILLING IN PARTICULARS ON OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM.

The claimant, when filling in his place of residence, must state any house number, Lot and Section numbers, name of house, name of street, suburb and town or name of village or settlement, census division, District (previously sub-District) and province.

WARNING FOR CLAIMANTS.

A claimant who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

Any person who signs the name of another person as claimant may be fined up to K400.00.

WARNING FOR WITNESSES.

A witness who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

A witness who—

- (a) signs as witness on this form when it has not been completed and signed by the claimant; or
- (b) signs this form as witness when he has not seen the claimant sign it; or
- (c) signs any one else's name or a name not being that of the witness on this form; or
- (d) signs this form without first being satisfied, by asking the claimant or in some other way, that the statements made by the claimant in this form are true, unless he knows that they are true,

is liable to a fine not exceeding K400.00.

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Form 3 – Claim for alteration of enrolled address.

Law Sec. 57(4), 62(c).

Form 3.Reg. Sec. 5.

SIDE 1.

To the Returning Officer,
... Electorate.

I am enrolled on the Roll for the above Electorate as follows:—

Father's name or Surname:

Other names, given names or Traditional names:

Place of residence:—

Lot Number:

Section Number:

Street:

Suburb, Town or Village:

Census Division:

District:

Province:

Occupation:

Sex:

Address:

I request you to alter my enrolment to the following:—

Father's name or Surname:

Other names, given names or Traditional names:

Place of residence:—

Lot Number:

Section Number:

Street:

Suburb, Town or Village:

Census Division:

District:

Province:

Occupation:

Sex:

Address:

Signature of elector,

Date:

Note: The witness should not sign his name until he has read the instructions on the reverse side.

I, the undersigned, am an elector or am qualified to be an elector, and certify that I have seen the above-named claimant sign the above claim, and that I either know the statements made by him to be true or have satisfied myself by asking the claimant, or in some other way, that they are true.

Personal signature of witness.

Address:

Occupation:

SPACE TO BE FILLED IN BY RETURNING OFFICER.

Rec'd (date) Initials

Reg'd (date))

Ack'd (date)

SIDE 2.

Form 3.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CLAIMANT AND WITNESS FOR FILLING IN PARTICULARS ON OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM.

The claimant, when filling in his place of residence, must state any house number, Lot and Section numbers, name of house, name of street, suburb and town and name of village or settlement, census division, District (previously sub-District) and province.

WARNING FOR CLAIMANTS.

A claimant who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

Any person who signs the name of another person as claimant may be fined up to K400.00.

WARNING FOR WITNESSES.

A witness who knowingly makes a false statement on this form may be imprisoned for up to two years.

A witness who—

- (a) signs as witness on this form when it has not been completed and signed by the claimant; or
- (b) signs this form as witness when he has not seen the claimant sign it; or
- (c) signs any one else's name or a name not being that of the witness on this form; or
- (c) signs this form without first being satisfied, by asking the claimant or in some other way, that the statements made by the claimant in this form are true, unless he knows that they are true,

is liable to a fine not exceeding K400.00.

Note: Claims for enrolment forms and envelopes in which the forms may be sent post free to the Returning Officer may be obtained at any Electoral Office or Post Office.

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Form 4 – Notice to person alleged to have failed to comply.

Law Sec. 57(5). Form 4. Reg. Sec. 6.

To: *(Name)*

(Address)

1. It appears that you have failed to comply with the provisions of Section 57 of the Law relating to—

- **(a)* entolment; or
- **(b)* transfer of entolment; or
- **(c)* change of address.

2. An offence against that section is liable to a fine not exceeding—

- (a)* K10.00 for a first offence; and
- (b)* K25.00 for any subsequent offence.

3. Please complete the declaration on the back of this notice and return it to me promptly at *(address)*.

4. If your reply is satisfactory, no further action will be taken, and no further notice will be sent to you.

5. If your reply—

- (a)* is not received within 21 days of the date of this notice; or
- (b)* is unsatisfactory,

you may be prosecuted.

6. If you have completed a declaration, and proceedings are instituted, your declaration will be produced in the proceedings.

Returning Officer,

Electorate.

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 5 – Declaration in reply to notice of alleged failure to comply.

Law Sec. 57(5). Form 5.Reg. Sec. 6(3).

I, . . . (*Name*) of . . . (*Address*) declare that—

1. My non-entolment is not in consequence of any failure to comply with the provisions of Section 56(1) of the Law.
2. I did not know, and had no reasonable opportunity of knowing, that my name was not on the Roll for which I am entitled to be entolled.
3. (*Here state any other reason*).

Personal Signature or mark of declarant.

I, the undersigned, being an elector, or qualified to be an elector, certify that I have seen the person making this declaration sign the declaration.

Personal signature of witness.

Address:

Occupation:

Date:

Note: Any person who utters a false statement in a declaration or in any way in answer to a question under the Law is guilty of an offence and is liable to imprisonment for two years.

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Form 6 – Notice of transfer of enrolment.

Law Sec. 58(3). Form 6. Reg. Sec. 7.

To
the
Returning
Officer,

. . . .
Electorate
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As each elector whose particulars are shown in the Schedule has now been enrolled for this electorate pursuant to a claim for transfer of enrolment, you are required to remove his name from the Roll kept by you.

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Particulars appearing in claim for transfer received by me.

No.	Father's name or surname	Other names, given names or traditional names	Occupation	Sex	Previous address
1.					Lot number Section number Street Suburb Town or Village Census Division District Province

Returning Officer,
 . . . Electorate.
 Date:

To
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 Returning
 Officer,
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No.	Notations showing action taken by Returning Officer to whom Notice Addressed.
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	Names removed (date)	No. on Roll (if in printed) or date of enrolment (if in manuscript)	Remarks (if any)
1.			
2.			
3.			
			Returning Officer, ... Electorate.

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Form 7 – Notification to claimant of rejection of claim for enrolment.

Law Sec. 59. Form 7.Reg. Sec. 8.

To:

You are hereby notified that your claim to be enrolled on the Electoral Roll for the . . .
Electorate has been rejected because I am satisfied that you are not entitled to
*enrolment/*transfer of enrolment on the ground that *(here specify reason for rejection)*.

You are entitled, at any time within three months after the receipt of this notification,
to appeal against the rejection to the District Court.

Returning Officer,
. . . Electorate.
(address)

Date:

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 8 – Notice of objection to name on Roll.

Law Sec. 67. Form 8.Reg. Sec. 9.

To the Returning Officer,
 ... Electorate.

I, being *an elector entitled,
 *the Returning Officer,
 *a prescribed officer,
 for the ... Electorate object to the name of

No. on roll	Father's name or Surname	Other names, given names or traditional names	Place of residence as appearing on Roll	Occupation	Place of residence at present if known

being kept on that Roll on the ground that—

- He is not a citizen.
- He is not of full capacity.
- He has not reached voting age.
- He is under sentence of death or imprisonment for a period of more than nine months.
- He has been convicted by the Court at ... on the ... day of ... 20... of an offence prescribed by an Organic Law or and Act of the Parliament for the purposes of Section 50(1)(b) of the *Constitution*.
- He has not resided in the area of the electorate for the period necessary to qualify him for enrolment.
- Although he is nominated for the electorate he has not resided in the electorate for the period necessary to qualify him for enrolment and was not both in the electorate and has not lived in the electorate for five years at any time.
- (*here insert any other ground of objection*).

Enclose herewith *banker's cheque
 *postal order
 *cash

for K4.00 required by Section 65(2) of the Law and understand that it will be forfeited to Papua New Guinea if any objection is held by the Returning Officer to be frivolous.

Signature of *Elector.
 *Returning Officer.
 *Presiding Officer.

Date:

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

Note: Place an "X" in the square opposite the grounds on which you are making this objection.

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Form 9 – Notice of objection to person objected to.

Law Secs. 69(2), 70.

Form 9.Reg. Sec. 10.

To the person objected to, whose name and address appear on the back of this notice:

Notice is hereby given that (*here insert name, address and occupation of objector*) has objected to your name being kept on the Roll for the . . . Electorate on the ground that (*here insert grounds of objection*).

Unless I receive an answer from you within one month after the posting or delivery to you of this notice I may remove your name from the Roll.

If you intend to answer the objection orally you should attend at my office at (*here insert address of office*) between the hours of (*here insert hours and days office will be officially open*) before the end of one month after the posting or delivery of this notice to you.

If you want to answer the objection but do not want to attend at my office, you should before the end of one month after the posting or delivery of this notice to you—

- (a) complete, sign and date the answer in the presence of a witness; and
- (b) fold and seal the notice,

so that the address "Returning Officer, . . . Electorate" can be seen, and send or deliver the notice to me with the reply attached.

I will send you notice of the decision on the objection.
 Returning Officer,
 . . . Electorate.
 Address:
 Date:

SIDE 2.

Form 9.

ANSWER.

I am the elector whose enrolment is objected to in this notice and I claim that I am qualified for enrolment because (*here write out reasons why objection is wrong*).

Personal signature of elector.
 Personal signature of witness
 (who is an elector or entitled to be an elector).

Date:
 Address:
 Occupation:

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Form 10 – Notice of determination of objection.

Law Sec. 71 Form 10.Reg. Sec. 11.

To:

Notice is hereby given that I have considered the objection lodged by *(here insert name of objector)* to the retention of the name of *(here insert the name of person objected to)* on the Electoral Roll for the ... Electorate and have decided—

- *(a) To remove the name of the person objected to from the Roll.
- *(b) To dismiss the objection and retain the name of the person objected to on the Roll.

If you object to this decision you may, at any time within three months after the receipt of this notice apply to the District Court for—

- *(a) An order directing that your name be reinstated on the Roll.
- *(b) An order sustaining your objection.

Returning Officer,
... Electorate.

Date:

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 11 – Nomination of candidate for election as Member of National Parliament.

Law Sec. 85. Form 11.Reg. Sec. 13.

To *Returning Officer,
 the
 *Assistant Returning Officer,
 *Person authorized by the Electoral Commission,
 ... Electorate.

I hereby nominate as a candidate for election to the National Parliament for the ...
 Electorate.

Name (*as it appears on electorate Roll*):

Place of residence:

Occupation:

1. I am enrolled as an elector on the electorate Roll for the said electorate and
 have resided in that electorate for a continuous period of two years immediately
 preceding this nomination.

2. I am enrolled on the electorate Roll for the ... Electorate and—

2A. I was both in the ... Electorate on the ... day of ... 19...

OR

2B. I have resided in the ... Electorate for a period of five years at ...
 between //19... and //19..., and at ... between //19... and //19...

3A. I have not nominated for another Electorate.

3B. I nominated for the ... Electorate and that nomination has been
 withdrawn.

4. I am not under 25 years of age.

5. I—

(a) am entitled to vote in elections to the Parliament; and

(b) am of full capacity; and

(c) have not been convicted in the last three years of an offence relating to
 elections and prescribed by an Organic Law or an Act of the Parliament for
 the purposes of Section 50(1)(b) of the *Constitution*; and

(d) am not under sentence of death or imprisonment for a period of more than
 nine months; and

(e) have not been dismissed from office for misconduct in office under Division
 III 2 of the *Constitution* within the three years immediately preceding the date
 fixed for the return of the writ for this election.

6. I attach a *banker's cheque

*cash

for K1,000.00.

DATED this ... day of ... 20...

Signature of candidate.

Personal signature of witness.
(is a person to whom the candidate is
personally known)
Address:

I, . . . (*Name*) of . . . (*Address*) being the said candidate, consent to act if elected and
declare that I am qualified under the laws of Papua New Guinea to be elected as a
member.

Signature of candidate.

Personal signature of witness.
Address:

Note: Place an "X" in the square opposite—

- (a) 1 or 2 and 2A or 2B; and
- (b) 3A or 3B.

Received on the . . . (*date*) at . . . (*time*)

*Returning Officer.
*Assistant Returning Officer.
*Authorized person.
. . . Electorate.

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 12 – Electronic notifying nomination.

Law Sec. 86(3). Form 12.Reg. Sec. 14.

To Returning Officer,
the
... Electorate.

Following nomination stop (*here insert full name as it appears on nomination form*) of
(*place of residence*) stop (*occupation*) stop deposit lodged stop

*Assistant Returning Officer.

*Authorized person

... Electorate.

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 13 – Withdrawal by candidate of consent to nomination.

Law Sec. 94(1). Form 13.Reg. Sec. 15.

To *Returning Officer,
the
 *Assistant Returning Officer,
 *Authorized person,
 ... Electorate.

I (*here insert full names, place of residence and occupation*) hereby withdraw my consent to nomination as candidate for election to the National Parliament, dated ... day of ... 20...

Personal signature of witness.
Date:

Personal signature of witness.
Place of residence:

Received on the ... (*date*) at ... (*time*)

*Returning Officer.
*Assistant Returning Officer.
*Authorized person.

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 14 – Electronic notifying withdrawal.

Law Sec. 94(3). Form 14.Reg. Sec. 16.

To Returning Officer,
the
... Electorate.

The following candidate has withdrawn his nomination stop (*here insert full name as it appears on notice of withdrawal of consent to nomination*) of (*place of residence*) stop (*occupation*) stop

*Assistant Returning Officer.

*Authorized person.

*Delete whichever is inapplicable.

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Form 15 – Postal vote certificate.

Law Sec. 100.

Form 15.Reg. Sec. 17.

I certify that:

Father's name or Surname	Other names, given names or traditional name	Sex	Place of residence appearing on Roll	Occupation

is entitled to vote by post subject to the provisions of the Law, in respect of the ... Electorate at the election for the National Parliament to be held from the ... day of ... 20... to the ... day of ... 20...

Returning Officer,
... Electorate.

Date:

Law Sec. 105(c).

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY AN ELECTOR VOTING BY POST.

I have not already voted in connection with the election referred to in the above certificate.

The reason I wish to vote by post is—

1. I will not throughout the hours of polling be—
 - (a) within the electorate for which I am entitled; or
 - (b) within 16 km by the nearest practicable route of a polling booth in the electorate for which I am entitled.
2. I am seriously ill or infirm, and by reason of that illness or infirmity will be precluded from attending at a polling booth in the electorate for which I am entitled.

3. I will, by reason of approaching maternity or the necessity of caring for my infant, be precluded from attending at a polling booth in the electorate for which I am enrolled.

4. By reason of membership of a religious order or my religious belief I am precluded—

- (a) from attending at a polling booth; or
- (b) voting at a reasonably accessible polling place.

5. I am a citizen of Papua New Guinea residing abroad.

I am aware that if I falsely personate or attempt to personate any other person for the purpose of securing a ballot-paper to which I am not entitled or for the purpose of voting at an election, or wilfully make any false statement in this declaration, I am liable to imprisonment for two years.

Personal signature of elector.
Personal signature of witness.
(who is an elector or entitled to be an elector).
Address:
Occupation:

Date:

Where vote is recorded outside Papua New Guinea, the witness need not be an elector or entitled to be an elector but shall be a person to whom the elector is well known.

Note: Place an "X" in the square opposite applicable reason.

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Form 16 – Ballot-paper.

Law Sec. 124.

Form 16.Reg. Sec. 18(4).

... Electorate.

By-Election or General Election 20...

Directions—

1. Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing an "X" in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.
2. Do not put more than one "X" on this paper.
3. Do not put any other mark on this paper.

(Name of candidate and any other particulars added under Section 125(b) of the Law).

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Form 17 – Ballot-paper.

Law Sec. 124, 225 Form 17.Reg. Sec. 18(9).

... Electorate.

By-election or General Elections 20...

Directions—

1. Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing an "X" in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.
2. Do not put more than one "X" on this paper.
3. Do not put any other mark on this paper.

(Name of candidate and any other particulars added under Section 125(b) of the Law).

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Form 18 – Postal ballot-paper.

Law Sec. 124, 125. Form 18.Reg. Sec. 18(10).

... Electorate.

By-election or General Election 20...

Directions—

1. Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing an "X" in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.
2. Do not put more than one "X" on this paper.
3. Do not put any other mark on this paper.

(Name of candidate and any other particulars added under Section 125(b) of the Law).

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Form 19 – Postal ballot-paper.

Law Sec. 124.

Form 19.Reg. Sec. 18(10).

... Electorate.

By-election or General Election 20...

Directions—

1. Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing an "X" in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.
2. Do not put more than one "X" on this paper.
3. Do not put any other mark of this paper.

(Name of candidate and any other particulars added under Section 125(b) of the Law).

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Form 20 – Declaration and claim to vote.

Law Sec. 141(1) Form 20.Reg. Sec. 23.

Polling place where elector claims to vote:

... Electorate.

I, ... (*Name*) ... of ... (*Place of residence*) ... (*Occupation*)

declare that—

1. My name appears on the certified list of voters at the above-named polling place.
2. I claim to vote under the provisions of Section 141(1) of the Law.
3. I have not previously voted in connection with the election being held, notwithstanding that a mark has been placed opposite my name on the certified list of voters to indicate that a ballot-paper has been issued to me at the polling

Signed before me at

Date:

Presiding Officer:

Personal signature or mark of voter:
Polling place.

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Form 21 – Declaration and claim to vote.

Law Sec. 142(1). Form 21.Reg. Sec. 24.

Polling place where elector claims to vote:

... Electorate.

I, ... (*Name*) ... of ... (*Place of residence*) ... (*Occupation*) declare that—

1. My name appears on the certified list of voters at the above-named polling place.
2. I claim to vote under the provisions of Section 142(1) of the Law.
3. I have not received a postal vote certificate and postal ballot-paper in connection with the election being held, notwithstanding that my name has been noted on the certified list as that of an elector to whom a postal vote certificate and postal ballot-paper have been issued.

Signed before me at
Date:

Personal signature or mark of voter.
Polling place.

Presiding Officer.

