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Public Finances (Management) Act 1995

SUSPENSION OF SECTION 32 POWERS FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

I, Steven Gibson, Secretary of Finance, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 32(1) of the *Public Finances (Management) Act 1995* and by all other powers enabling me, hereby:

- (a) Suspend the Section 32 Financial Powers of the Departmental Head of the Department of the Agriculture and Livestock, Dr Vele Pat Ila'ava as Section 32 Officer to approve requisitions for the expenditure of Recurrent and other project Development Funds; and
- (b) All public funds under the budgetary allocation for 2013 and other funds such as held in Trust Accounts given to the Department of Agriculture and Livestock, including the authority to approve requisitions and expenditure will no longer rests with the DAL but with the Department of Finance; and
- (c) Finance Department shall process all claims for processing and payment including the approval to as Section 32 officers; and
- (d) This arrangement will remain until such time a investigation in to operations of DAL are completed and further instructions coming from the Department of Prime Minister and National Executive Council.

This is effective as at 11th day of April, 2013.

S. GIBSON, ML.,
Secretary, Department of Finance.

Public Finances (Management) Act 1995

WITHDRAWAL OF SECTION 32 FINANCIAL POWERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL PLANNING ON DEVELOPMENT AND RECURRENT BUDGETS

I, Steven Gibson, Secretary of Finance, by virtue of the powers conferred by both Section 4 and Section 32(1) of the *Public Finances (Management) Act 1995* and by all other powers enabling me, hereby:

- (a) Revoke the Financial Powers vested on the Secretary for National Planning to approve requisitions for the expenditure of Recurrent and other Development Budget Funds; and
- (b) The financial power of Section 32 Officer and Financial Delegates to approve requisitions for the expenditure of Recurrent and other Development Funds for Department of National Planning is now withdrawn back to Department of Finance; and

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- (c) All claim proposals for PIP funds under the Development Budget and for Recurrent Budget for the Department of National Planning be now forwarded to Finance Department for vetting and approval for payments; and
- (d) An officer who willfully refuses or neglects to comply with this direction is guilty of an offence under Section 112 of the PFMA; and
- (e) This withdrawal of financial powers legally comes into effect upon signing of the instrument prior to the date of the publication of this instrument for Department of National Planning in the *National Gazette*.

This withdrawal of authority is effective as at 29th day of April, 2013.

S. GIBSON, ML.,
Secretary, Department of Finance.

No. of 2013

An Act

entitled

Public Finance (Management) (Amendment) Act 2013

being

AN Act to amend the *Public Finance (Management) Act 1995* to increase in the kina threshold amount for major procurement of goods and services (properties and stores).

MADE by the National Parliament.

1. PROVINCIAL SUPPLY AND TENDERS BOARDS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 39B).

Section 39B of the Principal Act is amended in Subsection (1)(b) by repealing “K3,000,000.00” and replacing it with “K5,000,000.00”.

2. AUTHORITY TO PRE-COMMIT EXPENDITURE (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 47B).

Section 47B of the Principal Act is amended in Subsection (1)(b) by repealing “K300,000.00” and replacing it with “K500,000.00”.

I hereby certify that the above is a fair print of the *Public Finance (Management) (Amendment) Act 2013*, which has been made by the National Parliament.

V. KONIVARO,
Acting Clerk of the National Parliament.

I hereby certify that the *Public Finance (Management) (Amendment) Act 2013*, was made by the National Parliament on 14th February, 2013.

T. ZURENUOC,
Speaker of the National Parliament.