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In exercise of the powers conferred on me by subclause 33(1) of the Municipal Council Elections Regulation, I, the Honourable CHARLOT SALWAI TABIMASMAS, Minister of Internal Affairs, make the following Order.

1 Definition

In this Order unless the context otherwise requires:

“Committee” means the Port Vila Municipal Election Dispute Committee;

“Minister” means the Minister responsible for Internal Affairs.

2 Appointment of Committee Members

The following persons are appointed as members of the Committee:

- (a) Mr Felix Stephen DORRIK as the Chairperson of the Committee;
- (b) Mrs Jane Bani JEREVA;
- (c) Mr Michel KALWORAI;
- (d) Mr Edward KALTAMAT.

3 Term of Reference

- (1) The Terms of Reference of the Committee are set out in the Schedule.

- (2) The Terms of Reference of the Committee may be amended or varied by the Minister in consultation with the Committee.

4 Report

The Committee must prepare a report of its findings no later than Monday 30th June 2014 at 4:30 pm.

5 Commencement

This Order commences on the day on which it is made.

Made at Port Vila this 23rd day of MAY, 2014.


Honourable **CHARLOT SALWAI TABIMASMAS**
Minister of Internal Affairs



SCHEDULE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Objective of the Port Vila Municipal Dispute Committee

The objective of appointing the Port Vila Municipal Dispute Committee (the “Committee”) is to investigate into the Port Vila Municipal Election outstanding complaints.

2 Role of the Committee

The Roles of the Committee is:

- (a) to carry out its roles as stipulated under Part 7 of the Municipal Council Election Regulation; and
- (b) to hear every valid election petition presented before the Committee; and
- (c) to make assessment on these petitions and make declarations as to the validity or invalidity of these petitions; and
- (d) to communicate the decision of the Election Disputes Committee without delay to the petitioner and all persons whose election is subject to such petition.

3. Expected Outputs

On hearing and assessing the petitions, the Election Dispute Committee may:

- (a) declare the election to which the petition relates void; or
- (b) declare a candidate other than the person whose election is questioned duly elected; or
- (c) dismiss the petition and declare the persons whose election is questioned duly elected; or
- (d) make such orders as to the payment of costs by any person appearing before it as it may deem fit.

4. Location

The Committee is to carry out its investigations and related matters in Port Vila and at such other place or places as the Committee may determine.