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Being a law to amend the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government

Elections to effect certain amendments made by the Organic Law on National
and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002, and for
related purposes,

MADE by the National Parliament.

1. COMPLIANCE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

This Law, to the extent that it regulates or restricts a right or freedom referred to in Subdivision III.3C (qualified rights) of the **Constitution**, namely:-

- (a) the right to liberty of the person conferred by Section 42; and
- (b) the right to freedom of expression and publication conferred by Section 46; and
- (c) the right to peacefully assemble and associate and to form or belong to, or not to belong to, political parties, industrial organizations or other associations conferred by Section 47; and
- (d) the right to freedom of choice of employment in any calling for which a person has the qualifications (if any) lawfully required conferred by Section 48; and
- (e) the right to reasonable privacy in respect of his private and family life, his communications with other persons and his personal papers and effects conferred by Section 49; and
- (f) the right to vote and stand for public office conferred by Section 50; and
- (g) the right of reasonable access to official documents conferred by Section 51; and
- (h) the right of freedom of movement conferred by Section 52, of the *Constitution*, is a law that is made (pursuant to Section 38 of the *Constitution*) taking account of the National Goals and Directive Principles for the purpose of giving effect to the public interest in public order and public welfare.

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2. APPLICATION OF THIS LAW. This Law applies to and in respect of all Provinces except Bougainville Province.

3. INTERPRETATION (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3).

For the purposes of Section 3 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (No. 3 of 1997) Law, the amendment made by Section 2 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002 shall come into operation on the date of issue of writs for the General Election next held after the General Election scheduled for 2007.

4. REPEAL OF SECTION 34.

For the purposes of Section 34 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (No. 3 of 1997) Law, the amendment made by Section 5 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002 shall come into operation on the date of issue of writs for the General Election next held after the General Election scheduled for 2007.

5. OPEN ELECTORATES (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 35).

For the purposes of Section 35 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (No. 3 of 1997) Law, the amendment made by Section 6 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002 shall come into operation on the date of issue of writs for the General Election next held after the General Election scheduled for 2007.

6. SIZE OF OPEN ELECTORATES (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 36).

For the purposes of Section 36 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (No. 3 of 1997) Law, the amendment made by Section 7 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002 shall come into operation on the date of issue of writs for the General Election next held after the General Election scheduled for 2007.

7. PERSONS ENTITLED TO ENROLMENT (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 52).

For the purposes of Section 52 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (No. 3 of 1997) Law, the amendment made by Section 12 of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No. 1) Law 2002 shall come into operation on the date of issue of writs for the General Election next held after the General Election scheduled for 2007.

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I hereby certify that the above is a fair print of the Organic Law on National and Locallevel Government Elections (Amendment No. 4) Law which has been made by the National Parliament.

Clerk of the National Parliament.

Constitution.

CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 14.

I, JEFFERY NAPE, Speaker of the National Parliament, hereby certify that the requirements of Section 14(1), (2) and (3) of the Constitution were complied with in respect of the Organic Law on National and Local-level Government Elections (Amendment No.4) Law and that the law was made by the National Parliament as follows:-

- (a) the first vote was taken on 1 August 2006 when the number of seats in the National Parliament were 109 and those voting for the proposal were 73 and none voted against the proposal; and
- (b) the second vote was taken on 8 November 2006 when the number of seats in the National Parliament were 109 and those voting for the proposal were 81 and none voted against the proposal.

Speaker of the National Parliament

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