

# WASDOK

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#### EYE WITHIN

The Wasdok editorial team apologise for the late delivery of the July edition. The delay was caused due to the inevitable demand for the finalisation of the 2006 Annual Report and preliminary editing of the 2007 Annual Report. The 2006 Annual Report is now out of the way while the 2007 Annual Report will be circulated soon for clearance by respective contributors.

In this edition, we feature reports from core functional areas on the progress of Final Reports produced under the "Organic Law on the Ombudsman Commission". CAID officers are commended for a job well done.

The second quarter Performance Management Report (PMR) held at the Crown Plaza Hotel was a great success for senior Managers of the Commission. The third quarter review is expected in late October, where it is anticipated that the Commission's five year strategic plan will be discussed.

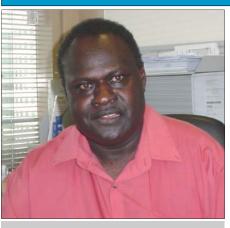
Never say it's too late! Congratulations to Bonner Tito for achieving a milestone in academic performance. He got high distinction is Skills Management course at the PNG Institute for Banking & Business Management in July.

New faces in the corridors of the Commission are Tony Ezekiel Giro from Hula and Wesley Thomas from Musau. Welcome to OC, tupela.

Our GBLP team did proud for the Commission during their tour of Madang province in early July. They are featured in our snippets section at the back page.

Happy reading—Editorial

#### **MOC** approves release of reports



Mr. Joseph Molita
Director—CAID

The Complaints & Administrative Investigation Division has achieved another milestone when the Commission in its meeting of Friday 17 July 2009, approved the Policy on Publication of Final Reports produced under the *Organic Law on the Ombudsman Commission*.

This was put together by Senior Investigator, Robert Hondi with the assistance of Work Practice Management Advisor, Mr. David Ward; Director, Mr. Joseph Molita and his Team Leader, Timothy Wrumongo.

According to Director Joseph Molita, the Policy sets out the procedures for publication of its final reports once a final report is approved for publication by the Members of the Commission.

He further added that this policy will be used for all its final reports and will be readily made available to all CAID officers electronically in the OC Intranet and other Shared Folders for easy access.

Manual copy of the policy will also be made available in the Ombudsman Commission library for public access and reading.



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# HON PATRICK PRUAITCH MP, MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND FINANCE AND MEMBER FOR AITAPE-LUMI OPEN, REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

The Ombudsman Commission on 22 July 2009 referred Hon. Patrick Pruaitch, Minister for Treasury and Finance to the Public Prosecutor for alleged misconduct in office.

The Ombudsman Commission conducted investigations into alleged misconduct in office by Mr Patrick Pruaitch in relation to a number of allegations which resulted in the Leader being given a right to be heard on 29 September 2006. He responded to the allegations on 30 November 2006.

The Ombudsman Commission deliberated on the matter and is satisfied, for the purposes of Section 29(1) of the Constitution and Sections 17(d), 20(4) and 27(1) of the Organic Law on the Duties and Responsibilities of Leadership (Organic Law), that there is a prima facie case that Hon Patrick Pruaitch has been guilty of misconduct in office.

The Ombudsman Commission has accordingly decided to refer the Minister to the Acting Public Prosecutor, for his independent deliberations under Section 177(1)(b) of the *Constitution*, and if he so decides, prosecutes the matter before an independent tribunal established under Section 28 (1)(g) of the *Constitution* and Section 27(7) of the Organic Law.

On 22 July 2009, the Commission informed Mr Pruaitch in accordance with Section 20(2) of the *Organic Law on the Duties and Responsibilities of Leadership*, that he will be referred to the Public Prosecutor.

Accordingly, under Section 29(1) of the *Constitution* and Sections 17(d), 20(4) and 27(1) of the *Organic Law on the Duties and Responsibilities of Leadership*, the Ombudsman Commission referred the leader to the Public Prosecutor.

The Public Prosecutor has the discretion to bring or decline to bring proceedings under the Leadership Code for alleged misconduct in office in accordance with Section 177(1)(b) of the Constitution.

#### SECOND QTR PMR A SUCCESS

The second quarter performance management review was successfully concluded at the Crown Plaza Hotel on Tuesday 14 July, 2009.

The two day forum for senior management of the Ombudsman Commission was held for two

days from Monday 13 July, 2009 and Tuesday 14 July, 2009.

The forum covered a wide range of management issues covered during the last two quarters.

The Chief Ombudsman, Chronox Manek described it as very fruitful saying the way forward now is for the Commission to start preparing its strategic plan for the next five years.

The third quarter PMR is being planned for the week starting 20 October, 2009 and will run for a week.

It is planned that the first two days will be devoted to the third quarter PMR and the remaining two days will be discussions for the Commission's strategic plan for the next five years.

### The Media & Communications Manager, Bonner Tito

has gained academic excellence in a customised management course.

Mr. Tito topped a class of 15 participants in the Essential Skills for Mangers category, a management module that ran from 13—17 July, 2009, at the PNG Institute of Banking & Business Management

He gained an incredible 92.8%

#### MEDIA UNIT BOSS REWARDED

mark in the overall rating, gaining High Distinction and coming first in the class.

A bonus for his academic recognition came in the form of a K100 cheque raised out to him by the Institute.

Asked how he felt about this incredible achievement, he sais he

owed it to the Commission Management, particularly,

the Human Resource Unit, who made it possible for him to attend the course.

Other participants from the Commission included Andrew Sea and Ivan Afo from the Leadership Division and Robert Hondi from the Complaints & Administration Investigation Division (CAID).

#### **APPOINTMENTS**



Geita Doura—promoted to Manager Finance Unit

The Human Resource Unit has announced new appointments for the Finance and Information Technology Units respectively.

Mr. Geita Doura, who has been warming the seat as acting Finance Manger, is now confirmed to the position.

Mr. Wesley Thomas, formerly with the Law & Justice Sector Secre-



Wesley Thomas Finance Clerk (LJSS) OC

tariat is the new Finance Clerk.

Mr. Tony Ezekiel Giro of Hula in the Central Province has been appointed IT Support Officer, bringing the Unit to full manpower strength.

All appointments have been sanctioned by the MOC during July and the incumbents have now been taken on board in their respective



Tony Ezekiel Giro IT Support Officer

Units.

A number of new appointments are still going through appropriate selection processes and announcements will be made after MOC have been given the chance to deliberate on the new appointments.



Now fully staffed, jubilant IT Manager, Alexia Luke and IT Advisor, Subrat Patnaik pose with new IT Support Officer, Tony Ezekiel Giro, at a brief welcome ceremony.

List of Court Processes Law Hand Books are now available at the Library—Contact Catherine on Ext 683

## Spippets







Top left—Tabitha Suwae and Numa Renagi at Buka
Top right—GBLP team in Madang
Middle—Leadership Division at the farewell function of outgoing director Roderick Kamburi.
Bottom left—GBLP Team Leader, Lydia Mulina talks to Mrs Alok in Madang.
Bottom right—Victor Milli and Philip Morris pose for

Wasdok.





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