

Country/entity	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	The Tambea Accord
Date	27 Aug 1994
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Bougainville Conflict (1987 - 1998)

The conflict on Bougainville, an island under the jurisdiction of Papua New Guinea (PNG), began in 1987 as a dispute over compensation for the use of land by Bougainville Copper Ltd, a an Australian subsidiary. The underlying issue of independence soon emerged and the conflict escalated between the government of PNG and the native islanders, in turn spearheaded by the Bougainville Revolutionary Army (BRA). Until fighting ended in 1998, an estimated 20,000 died in the conflict. Several pre-negotiation agreements culminated in an agreement to a 'permanent and irrevocable' ceasefire, and a framework for normalizing the PNG-Bourgainville relationship, which included elections.

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Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Bougainville: peace process
Parties	Brown BAI, CBE, Secretary to the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Prime Minister's Office, Papua New Guinea; General Sam KAUONA, Commander of the Bougainville Revolutionary Army; Gabriel DUSAVA, Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Papua New Guinea; Martin MIRIORI, Representative of the organization known as the Bougainville Interim Government;
Third parties	Hon. Francis J. SAEMALA, Convenor, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Solomon Islands;
Description	Record of talks between parties, agreed stages for continuing consultative talks between the parties, agreed agenda for meeting between BRA, BIG and the Bougainville Interim Legal Authorities. Statements appended by General Sam Kauona, BRA Commander and the Talks chairman.

Agreement document

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Groups

Children/youth No specific mention.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

**Racial/ethnic/
national group** No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced
persons** No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

**Women, girls and
gender** No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/secession No specific mention.

Accession/unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.



Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access Page 3, Adjournment of the Meeting
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... iii) Official lifting of the blockade

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
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16. The Delegations agreed on the following items for the agenda of the Ministerial Meeting:
... vi) Restoration and Reconstruction

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees	Page 2-3, Adjournment of the Meeting 16. The Delegations agreed on the following items for the agenda of the Ministerial Meeting: i) Immediate ceasefire and formal declaration of peace ii) Introduction of the South Pacific Peacekeeping force iii) Official lifting of the blockade
Ceasefire	Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision Page 2, Adjournment of the Meeting 16. The Delegations agreed on the following items for the agenda of the Ministerial Meeting: i) Immediate ceasefire and formal declaration of peace
Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper
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16. The Delegations agreed on the following items for the agenda of the Ministerial Meeting:
... iv) Pardon, Amnesty and Temporary Refuge

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release 16.iv) pardon to be included in agenda for the Ministerial Meeting

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations
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Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar	Page 3, Adjournment of the Meeting 16. The Delegations agreed on the following items for the agenda of the Ministerial Meeting: ... ii) Introduction of the South Pacific Peacekeeping force
Enforcement mechanism	Parties agreed 14. date and 16. agenda for further meetings.
Related cases	No specific mention.
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