

Country/entity	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Honiara Commitments to Peace on Bougainville
Date	3 Sep 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.

Close

Bougainville Conflict (1987 - 1998)

Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Bougainville: peace process
Parties	Sir Julius Chan (Prime Minister, Papua New Guinea); Samuel Kauona (Bougainville Revolutionary Army); Philip Banas Taruona (Secretary to BRASCO); Martin Miriori (Representative of the Organisation known as the Bougainville Interim Government); Brown Bai (CBE Secretary to the Prime Minister and Cabinet); Thomas Anis (Legal Auhorities); Francis Billy Hilly (Prime Minister of Solomon Islands);
Third parties	-
Description	-

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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 1,
3. The official lifting of the of the Blockade shall be implemented following consultation by Papua New Guinea Government with Solomon Islands Government and a Third Party.

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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4. The questions of:-
i. Pardon, Amnesty and Temporary Refuge;
ii. Reconciliation and Compensation; and
iii. Restoration and Reconstruction
shall be addressed in the Agenda for the Bougainville Peace Conference.

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 1, 1. That Peace is hereby declared immediately at Honiara on this Third day of September 1994 following which all forces will maintain strategic positions, and the Cease-fire shall be declared by both parties at a time and date to be agreed and announced within seven days of this commitment. 2. That a South Pacific Peace Keeping Force will be deployed to Bougainville as soon as practicably possible after the declaration of ceasefire when mechanisms and arrangements for the Force are finalised in consultations with participating governments and through consultation between the Commanders of the Forces of both sides. 3. The official lifting of the of the Blockade shall be implemented following consultations by Papua New Guinea Government with Solomon Islands Government and a Third Party
Ceasefire	Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision Page 1, 1. That Peace is hereby declared immediately at Honiara on this Third day of September 1994 following which all forces will maintain strategic positions, and the Cease-fire shall be declared by both parties at a time and date to be agreed and announced within seven days of this commitment.
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 No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations
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Reconciliation Page 2,
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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

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Enforcement mechanism

No specific mention.

Related cases

No specific mention.

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