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*Commissions of Inquiry Act (Chapter 31)*

**SANCTION AND DETERMINATION OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMMANUEL ASIGAU  
AS COUNSEL OF THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY HOLDING THE INQUIRY INTO THE  
CAPSIZING AND SINKING OF THE MV RABAUL QUEEN NINE (9) NAUTICAL MILES OFF THE  
COAST OF FINSCHHAFEN IN THE MOROBE PROVINCE ON 2 FEBRUARY 2012 AT ABOUT 5.00 A.M.**

I, Peter O'Neill, Prime Minister, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 18 of the *Commissions of Inquiry Act* (Chapter 31) and all other powers me enabling, hereby:—

(a) SANCTION OF PAYMENT.

Sanction payment of remuneration to Emmanuel Asigau, as Counsel of the Commission of Inquiry holding the inquiry into the conduct generally of the capsizing and sinking of the *MV Rabaul Queen* nine (9) nautical miles off the coast of Finschhafen in the Morobe Province on 2nd February, 2012 at about 4.00 a.m. (the Inquiry); and

(b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Determine and direct that the remuneration and payment of the expenses applicable to Counsel shall be as follows:—

(i) FEE.

The Counsel shall be paid a fee of K3,500 for each day actually engaged on the business of the Inquiry and not otherwise, for a period until the completion of the Inquiry, the fee notes to be rendered and paid on a fortnightly basis.

(ii) ACCOMMODATION.

The State shall pay the cost of accommodation and meals at the Crown Plaza, Port Moresby or pay K300.00 per day for meal for the Counsel for the period until the completion of the Inquiry.

(iii) TRANSPORT.

The State shall pay the cost of hire of a suitable vehicle for, or pay an allowance of K300.00 per day to, the Counsel for a period until the completion of the Inquiry.

(iv) SECURITY.

The State shall provide or pay K300.00 per day for the cost of suitable security for the protection of Counsel for the period until the completion of the Inquiry.

**Sanction and Determination of Terms and Conditions of Emmanuel Asigau as Counsel of the Commission of Inquiry holding the Inquiry into the Capsizing and Sinking of the *MV Rabaul Queen* Nine (9) Nautical Miles off the Coast of Finschhafen in the Morobe Province on 2nd February 2012 at about 5.00 a.m.—*continued***

(c) CONTINUATION OF INQUIRY.

In the event of the Inquiry continuing after the completion date, this Determination shall, unless a new Determination is made, continue in force for any period of extension of the Inquiry.

Dated this 13th day of February, 2012.

P. O'NEILL,  
Prime Minister.