

[Legal Notice No. 31]

PROTECTION OF WRECKS AND WAR RELICS ACT

(Cap. 150)

LICENCE TO CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES

I, Hon. Bartholomew Parapolo, Minister for Culture and Tourism, under section 4(2) of the *Protection of Wrecks and War Relics Act* (Cap. 150), grant this **licence to Ewan Stevenson, Team Leader, Sealark Exploration Team (“the Licensee”)**, who appears to me to have a legitimate reason to carry out activities mentioned in section 4(1) of the Act in the areas specified in Schedule 1 (“**licensed area**”), subject to the conditions and restrictions specified in Schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1**LICENSED AREAS**

The points at sites in Guadalcanal, Malaita and Choiseul Province with the following Global Positioning System coordinates:

- (a) Guadalcanal Province -
 - (i) B-17 Aircraft at Vilu, B-17 dive site, 09° **18.18.8769**’ South, 159° **48.053**’ East;
 - (ii) Bonegi One dive site, 09° **22.717**’ South, 159° **52.243**’ East;
 - (iii) Bonegi Two dive site, 09° **23.135**’ South, 159° **52.490**’ East;
 - (iv) SBD-3 Dauntless aircraft dive site, off Matanikau, 09° **25.808**’ South, 159° **58.640**’ East;
 - (v) Unknown dive site, Tambea, 09° **159**’ South, 159° **39.570**’ East;
 - (vi) TBF-1 Avenger aircraft, Nura Island, 09° **31.704**’ South, 160° **47.903**’ East: and
- (b) Malaita Province - unknown aircraft dive site, South Are’Are, 09° **22.906**’ South, 161° **10.455**’ East; and
- (c) Choiseul Province - unknown aircraft land site, Choiseul Bay, 06° **40.511**’ South. 156° 24.854’ East.

SCHEDULE 2**CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF LICENCE**

1. This licence is granted only for the purpose of recovery and removal of World

War II human remains, mapping, recording with GPS, photos and video of World War II sites, for three weeks during the period commencing on 1 July 2023 to and including 31 July 2023.

2. The licence is granted exclusively for the licensed areas and must not be used to carry out activities in any other restricted area.
3. This licence expires on 1 August 2023.
4. The Licensee is responsible for meeting the relevant costs of activities conducted under this licence including the recovery and transportation of human remains, the incidental hiring of local workers to assist in carrying out the activities under section 4(1) of the Act and the payment of fees to landowners before entering any customary area.
5. The Licensee must provide to Solomon Islands National Museum with an audit record or report of all human remains recovered within the licensed area before exporting the remains out of Solomon Islands.
6. The Licensee must liaise with the Guadalcanal Provincial Government, the Malaita Provincial Government and the Choiseul Provincial Government and the WWII section of the SINM to ensure that WWII wrecks and relics within the licensed area are not removed or relocated.
7. The Licensee, if the licensed area comprises of customary land or part of customary land, whether or not the customary land or a part thereof includes foreshores or reefs, must ensure that customary protocols or courtesies relevant to customary land owners of that customary land must be complied with in good faith.
8. The Licensee must comply with relevant laws and ordinances in respect of the appropriate Province having jurisdiction over the licensed area and must liaise in good faith with the appropriate authority in the Provincial Executive.
9. The Licensee must all times ensure that appropriate safety precautionary measures are followed to avoid loss of human life in carrying out activities under this license. If necessary, the Licensee is solely responsible for the engaging of the Explosive Unit of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force to scan the licensed area for potential risks of poisonous gases and live ammunition from World War II unexploded devices.
10. The Licensee must ensure that no piece of World War II materials must be taken out of the country without approval granted by the Ministry for Culture and Tourism.
11. This licence immediately becomes null and void if the Licensee breaches any of the conditions and restrictions of this license or any provision of the Protection of Wrecks and War Relics Act (Cap. 150). On the occurrence of any serious breach, the Licensee must forfeit all privileges and will not be issued a license for similar activities in the future.

Dated on this sixth-day of June 2023.

HON. BARTHOLOMEW PARAPOLO
MINISTER FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

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I, Hon. Bartholomew Parapolo, Minister for Culture and Tourism, under section 4(2) of the *Protection of Wrecks and War Relics Act* (Cap. 150), grant this licence to Kurt Markwarth (“the licensee”), who appears to me to have a legitimate reason to carry out activities mentioned in section 4(1) of the Act in the areas specified in Schedule 1 (“licensed area”), subject to the conditions and restrictions specified in Schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1

LICENSED AREA

The Global Positioning System coordinates is strictly in the following sites:

- (a) areas within the provincial waters of Guadalcanal Province (including foreshores but excluding underwater restricted areas), 9° 37' South - 160° 11' East;
- (b) areas within the official boundary of Munda, Western Province (including foreshores but excluding underwater restricted areas), 8° 15' South - 157° 30' East;
- (c) areas within the official boundary of Ballalai Islands in Shortlands, Western Province (including foreshores but excluding underwater restricted areas), 006° 59' - 20 South, 155° 52' - 53° East.

SCHEDULE 2

CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF LICENCE

- 1. The licence is granted for the purpose of removing and collecting war relics, for 2 years commencing from the date of my signature.
- 2. The licence is granted exclusively for the licensed areas and must not be used to carry out activities in any area other restricted area.
- 3. The licensee must provide a storage building to store recovered war relics for the purpose of public display.

4. The licensee is responsible for meeting the relevant costs of activities conducted under this licence including the recovery and transportation of human remains, the incidental hiring of local workers to assist in carrying out the activities under section 4(1) of the Act and the payment of fees to landowners before entering any customary area.
5. The licensee must provide the Solomon Islands National Museum and Royal Solomon Islands Police Force with an audit record or report of all human remains recovered within the licensed area before exporting the remains out of Solomon Islands.
6. The licensee, if the licensed area comprises of customary land or part of customary land, whether or not the customary land or a part thereof includes foreshores or reefs, must ensure that customary protocols or courtesies relevant to customary land owners of that customary land must be complied with in good faith.
7. The licensee must comply with relevant laws and ordinances in respect of the appropriate Province having jurisdiction over the licenced area and must liaise in good faith with the appropriate authority in the Provincial Executive.
8. The licensee must at all times ensure that appropriate safety precautionary measures are followed to avoid loss of human life in carrying out activities under this license. If necessary, the Licensee is solely responsible for engaging the Explosive Unit of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force to scan the licensed area for potential risks of poisonous gases and live ammunition from World War II unexploded devices.
9. The licence immediately becomes null and void if the licensee breaches any of the conditions and restrictions of this licence or any provision of the Protection of Wrecks and War Relics Act (Cap. 150). On the occurrence of any serious breach, the licensee must forfeit all privileges and will not be issued any such licence for similar activities in the future.

Dated on this fourth-day of April 2023

HON. BARTHOLOMEW PARAPOLO
MINISTER FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

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WAR RELICS ACT
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I, Hon, Bartholomew Parapolo, Minister for Culture and Tourism, under section 4(2)

of the *Protection of Wreck and War Relics Act* (Cap. 150), grant this license for the purpose of section 4(1) of the Act to Bjorn Svensson (“the Licensee”), who appears to me to have legitimate reason to carry out activities mentioned in section 4(1) of the Act in the areas specified in Schedule 1 (“licensed areas”), subject to the conditions and restrictions specified in Schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1 LICENSED AREAS

The points at sites in Guadalcanal Province with the following Global Positioning System coordinates:

Location	Coordinates (Decimal Degrees)
Tetere area	-09.427073°, 160.211387°
Kali Point area	-09.410481°, 160.158482°
Red Beach area	-09.430802°, 160.112176°
Tenaru area	-09.446568°, 160.072869°
Henderson area	-09.430551°, 160.055439°
Bloody Ridge/NZ Camp area	-09.443818°, 160.048895°
Lunaa Laaoon area	-09.413877°, 160.046851°
Kukum area	-09.421523°, 160.018448°
Betikama area	-09.443015°, 160.034539°
Panatina area	-09.436505°, 159.992188°
Tuvaruhu area	-09.456411°, 159.952489°
Taba’a area	-09.456877°, 159.941803°
Bararana area	-09.466332°, 159.972037°
Maruyama Trail	-09.503678°, 159.919911°
Kakambona area	-09.427615°, 159.914883°
Mamara area	-09.407387°, 159.891339°
Mbonege area	-09.382499°, 159.871596°
Visale area	-09.251687°, 159.700849°

SCHEDULE 2 CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTION OF LICENCE

1. This licence is granted only for the purpose of collecting and photographing World War II relics for exhibition in a virtual relic museum.
2. The licence is granted exclusively for the licensed areas and must not be used to carry out activities in any other restricted area.
3. This licence is granted for only a period of one (1) year starting on and from the date signed by the Minister for Culture and Tourism.
4. The Licensee is responsible for meeting the relevant costs of activities conducted under this licence, including transport and the incidental hiring

of local workers to assist to carrying out the activities under section 4(1) of the Act and the payment of fees to landowners before entering the customary area.

5. The Licensee must provide the Solomon Islands National Museum with an audit of record or report of all World War II relics.
6. The Licensee must liaise with the Guadalcanal Provincial Government and the World War II section of the Solomon Islands National Museum on any activities carried out within given locality for their awareness.
7. The Licensee, if the licensed areas comprise of customary land or part of customary land, whether or not the customary land or a part thereof includes foreshores or reefs, must ensure that customary protocols or courtesies relevant to customary land owners of that customary land must be complied with in good faith.
8. The Licensee must comply with relevant laws and ordinances in respect of the appropriate Province having jurisdiction over the licenced area and must liaise in good faith with the appropriate authority in the Provincial Executive.
9. The Licensee must at all times ensure that appropriate safety precautionary measures are followed to avoid loss of human life in carrying out activities under this licence. If necessary, the licensee is solely responsible for the engaging of the Explosive Unit of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) to scan the licensed areas for potential risks of poisonous gases and live ammunition from World War II unexploded devices.
10. The Licensee must ensure that no collections of World War II war relics must be exported or taken out of Solomon Islands.
11. The licence immediately becomes null and void if the Licensee breaches any of the conditions and restrictions of the licence or any provision of the *Protection of Wrecks and War Relics Act* (Cap. 150). On the occurrence of any serious breach, the licensee must forfeit all privileges and will not be issued a licence fro similar activities in the future

Dated this seventeenth-day of May 2023.

HON. BARTHOLOMEW PARAPOLO
MINISTER FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
