

Country/entity	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	North Nasioi Agreement
Date	18 Oct 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	Bougainville Interim Government Spokesmen; Representatives of the village Councils of Chiefs of the Central District of Bougainville; The big men of the South Nasioi, Aropa Valley and Pinei Valley; Commanders of the Bougainville Revolutionary Army from the North Nasioi area of Bougainville; The representatives of women's associations and churches
Third parties	-
Description	This short agreement contains a commitment by all Parties to achieving peace in Bougainville based on 6 principles.

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Groups

Children/youth	Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical Page 1, Taking into account: The basic aims and goals underlying the resolutions agreed to by the Bougainville Peace Conference at its meeting in Arawa on Friday the 14th day of October 1994; and The fundamental rights and freedoms of the peoples of Bougainville; and The principles and matters of concern recognized by the parties, including: ... e) The unnecessary deaths of innocent mothers and their babies resulting from the conflict and the blockade; f) The total absence of formal education for so many of the children of Bougainville since 1989.
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

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The representatives of an independent state of Papua New Guinea whose names and signatures are set out below; and

... 4. The representatives of women's associations and churches

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The principles and matters of concern recognized by the parties, including:

... e) The unnecessary deaths of innocent mothers and their babies resulting from the conflict and the blockade;

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	reps of women's association and churches (all signatories)
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	Page 1, Taking into account: The basic aims and goals underlying the resolutions agreed to by the Bougainville Peace Conference at its meeting in Arawa on Friday the 14th day of October 1994; and The fundamental rights and freedoms of the peoples of Bougainville;
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 Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizens, specific rights
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The fundamental rights and freedoms of the peoples of Bougainville; and
The principles and matters of concern recognized by the parties, including:
...d) The senseless and barbaric killing of citizens committed by all parties involved in the conflict;

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access Page 1, Taking into account:
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The principles and matters of concern recognized by the parties, including:
... c) The terrible effects and results of the blockade on the flow of goods and services to Bougainville;

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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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** No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

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.
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Drugs	No specific mention.
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Terrorism	No specific mention.
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Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
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Amnesty/pardon	No specific mention.
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Courts	No specific mention.
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Mechanism	No specific mention.
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Prisoner release	No specific mention.
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Vetting	No specific mention.
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Victims	No specific mention.
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Missing persons	No specific mention.
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Reparations	No specific mention.
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Reconciliation	No specific mention.
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Implementation

UN signatory	No specific mention.
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Other international signatory	No specific mention.
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Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.
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International mission/force/similar	No specific mention.
Enforcement mechanism	No specific mention.
Related cases	Page 2, We sign this agreement in order to record that we commit ourselves to achieving peace in Bougainville in accordance with the resolutions of the Bougainville Peace Conference in Arawa on Friday 14 October 1994.
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