

Country/entity	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Joint Bougainville Ex-combatants Agreement on Weapons Disposal (Rotakas Record)
Date	3 May 2001
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	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Bougainville: peace process
Parties	Chief of Defence, Bougainville Revolutionary Army, General Ishmael Toroama; Chairman, Bougainville Resistants Force, Hilary Masiria; Commanders, Bougainville Revolutionary Army, Steven Topesi, Peter Naguo, Justin Kokiai, Thomas Tari, Glen Bearas, Dominic Babatani, Joe Pakoi, Joe Korerua, Damien Kora, Cosmas Ito; Commanders, Bougainville Resistants Force, Laurie Patrick, Hilary Loni, Michael Komoiki, Ambrose Omi, Jacob Naisy, Paul Akoitai, Matthew Warapere
Third parties	Witnessed by: Ambassador Noel Sinclair, UNOMB; Matt Anderson, PMG; Amos Tevaria, Chief; Jeremiah Voiporea, Chief; James Vasiviri; Martin Varieto; Tabitha Rueta, Womens' representative
Description	Joint Bougainville Ex-Combatants Agreement on Weapons Disposal, with weapons disposal plan and timetable.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation No specific mention.

Equality No specific mention.

Particular groups of women No specific mention.

International law No specific mention.

New institutions No specific mention.

Violence against women No specific mention.

Transitional justice No specific mention.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development No specific mention.

Implementation Implementation→Signing or witnessing agreement
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Other No specific mention.
