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NOTICE: IMPLEMENTATION OF VISA ON ARRIVAL BAN FOR AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS

Following the announcement by Prime Minister O'Neil on the *Ban on Visa Arrival for Australians Citizens* on Tuesday, 21 January 2014, this is to confirm that then ban is yet to be effected, thus all current arrangements, i.e. Visa on Arrival for Australian citizens, remain unchanged. These measures have **NOT** been made official yet and will not be in place until March, 2014.

For those of you who aren't familiar with the process for obtaining visa's for Papua New Guinea please take note of the information below and visit the Papua New Guinea High Commission's website - http://www.pngcanberra.org/visas/.

Information for Australians obtaining a visa for PNG from the consulate:

- -A visa application for PNG takes 2-3 days to be processed (process starts once documents are received) providing all paperwork is complete
- -Visa applications need to be lodged in person at PNG Consulate offices
- -PNG Consulates are located in Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra. A new Consulate office will open in Cairns in the near future.
- The application form and requirements remain the same
 - 1 x passport photo
 - Copy of travel itinerary
 - Completed application form
 - http://www.pngcanberra.org/visas/ (website)
 - http://www.pngcanberra.org/pdf/application.PDF (form)
 - Cost for a visa will remain the same
 - \$0 Tourist Visa (no application fee)
 - \$215 single entry business visa
 - \$435 Multiple Entry Business visa (12 months period commences on first arrival)