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NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 24 April 2018, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of **Papua New Guinea**. The notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant supporting tables) for the calendar years **2013**, **2014**, **2016** and **2017**.

With respect to Article 18.2 of the Agreement on Agriculture concerning domestic support, the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea notifies the Committee on Agriculture that it has taken domestic support actions during the period 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2017. The only domestic support measures applied by Papua New Guinea in these years are those reported in Supporting Table DS:1.

The Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea hereby stresses that there were no information available for the calendar year 2015.

REPORTING PERIOD: 2013

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current Total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
34.2	USD/million	-

REPORTING PERIOD: 2013

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment – "Green Box"

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question	Data Sources
		(PGK million)	
1	2	3	4
(a) "General Services"			
Productive Partnership for Agriculture Development	(i) The main objective of the project is to improve the access of smallholder markets by strengthening Public and Private Partnerships to enhance provision of support services and increase investments in market access infrastructure.	15.4	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 03131
	(ii) The first component of the program is to improve the livelihoods of smallholder cocoa and coffee producers through the improvement of performance and sustainability of value chains of cocoa and coffee producing areas supported by the project		
Freight Assurance Subsidy Scheme	To facilitate market access for coffee growers from the remote areas by assisting in transporting coffee to the nearest marketing depots, facilitating and processing.	4	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 02472

REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current Total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
34.2	USD/million	-

REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment – "Green Box"

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question	Data Sources
		(PGK million)	
1	2	3	4
(a) "general services"			
Productive Partnership in Agriculture Production Development	(i) The main objective of the project is to improve the access of smallholder markets by strengthening Public and Private Partnerships to enhance provision of support services and increase investments in market access infrastructure.	110.5	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 03131
	(ii) The first component of the program is to improve the livelihoods of smallholder cocoa and coffee producers through the improvement of performance and sustainability of value chains of cocoa and coffee producing areas supported by the project.		
Remote Area Freight Subsidy Project	To provide a sustainable freight subsidy scheme to all remote cocoa growers in Papua New Guinea who are not easily accessible by road networks. This means that most of them can only be accessible by sea and air transport.	7	CBPNG Website <u>www.cocoaboard.org.pg</u>
Freight Assurance Subsidy Scheme	To facilitate market access for coffee growers from the remote areas by ng in transporting coffee to the nearest marketing depots, facilitating and processing.	3.8	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 02472
District Cocoa Nursery Project	Increase cocoa production thus increases GDP of the country in line with National Government expectations. Through increased production, household income will also increase resulting in better and improved livelihoods for cocoa farming households.	5	CBPNG Website www.cocoaboard.org.pg

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DOMESTIC SUPPORT: PAPUA NEW GUINEA

REPORTING PERIOD: 2016

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current Total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
34.2	USD/million	-

REPORTING PERIOD: 2016

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment -- "Green Box"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (PGK million)	Data source
1	2	3	4
(a) General services			
Productive Partnership in Agriculture Production for Development	(i) The main objective of the project is to improve the access of smallholder markets by strengthening Public and Private Partnerships to enhance provision of support services and increase investments in market access infrastructure.	0.0168	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 03131
District Cocoa Nursery Project	Increase cocoa production thus increases GDP of the country in line with National Government expectations. Through increased production, household income will also increase resulting in better and improved livelihoods for cocoa farming households.	5	Cocoa Board of Papua New Guinea (CBPNG) Website: http://www.cocoaboard.org.pg/
Remote Area Freight Subsidy Project	To provide a sustainable freight subsidy scheme to all remote cocoa growers in Papua New Guinea who are not easily accessible by road networks. This means that most of them can only be accessible by sea and air transport. (ii) Increase production by moving mass volume of cocoa that are stranded from outlaying rural areas to the market.	5	CBPNG Website: http://www.cocoaboard.org.pg/
Freight Assurance Subsidy Scheme	To facilitate market access for coffee growers from the remote areas by assisting in transporting coffee to the nearest marketing depots, facilitating processing and marketing.	2.8	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 02472
District Cocoa Nursery Project	Increase cocoa production thus increase GDP of the country in line with National Government expectations. Through increased production, household income will also increase resulting in better and improved livelihoods for cocoa farming households.	5	CBPNG Website: http://www.cocoaboard.org.pg/

REPORTING PERIOD: 2017

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current Total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
34.2	USD/million	-

REPORTING PERIOD: 2017

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment -- "Green Box"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measure in year in question (PGK million)	Data source
1	2	3	4
(a) General services			
Productive Partnership in Agriculture Production for Development	To improve the livelihoods of smallholder cocoa and coffee producers through the improvement of performance and sustainability of value chains of cocoa and coffee producing areas supported by the project.	0.0158	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 03131
Remote Area Freight Subsidy Project	To provide a sustainable freight subsidy scheme to all remote cocoa growers in Papua New Guinea who are not easily accessible by road networks. This means that most of them can only be accessible by sea and air transport.	7	CBPNG Website: http://www.cocoaboard.org.pg/
District Cocoa Nursery Project	Increase cocoa production thus increases GDP of the country in line with National Government expectations. Through increased production, household income will also increase resulting in better and improved livelihoods for cocoa farming households.	5	CBPNG Website: http://www.cocoaboard.org.pg/
Coconut Replanting Project	Seed collection and nursery establishment in strategic locations starting in two provinces. Distribution to farmers done once the seedlings are ready for planting.	5	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 04783
Market Development & Trade	Support to MSME involved in processing of coconut into high value coconut products mainly on the upgrading of processing facilities, improving of packaging & labelling, and assistance in promotion of PNG coconut products in domestic & international markets.	7	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 04078
Coconut Gene Bank Relocation & Bogia Coconut Disease Project	International Coconut Genebank for the South Pacific Region is based in Madang Province of PNG and currently coconuts there are threatened by this disease and collaborative efforts are been done to relocate the genebank to the Milne Bay Province.	2	National Budget Volume 3: Public Investment Program #: 04782