

<b>Country/entity</b>	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	North Nasioi Agreement
<b>Date</b>	18 Oct 1994
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	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)

<b>Stage</b>	Pre-negotiation/process
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Bougainville: peace process
<b>Parties</b>	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
<b>Third parties</b>	-
<b>Description</b>	This short agreement contains a commitment by all Parties to achieving peace in Bougainville based on 6 principles.

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## Groups

<b>Children/youth</b>	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.
<b>Disabled persons</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Elderly/age</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Migrant workers</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Racial/ethnic/ national group</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Religious groups</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Indigenous people</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Other groups</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Refugees/displaced persons</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Social class</b>	No specific mention.

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## 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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### Men and boys

No specific mention.

### LGBTI

No specific mention.

### Family

No specific mention.

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## 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.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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## **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL general** Page 1, Taking into account:  
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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.

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## **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.

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## **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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**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.

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**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.

**Drugs** No specific mention.

**Terrorism** No specific mention.

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## **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice general** No specific mention.

**Amnesty/pardon** No specific mention.

**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** No specific mention.

**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** No specific mention.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** No specific mention.

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## **Implementation**

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international signatory** No specific mention.

**Referendum for agreement** No specific mention.



**International mission/force/similar**

No specific mention.

**Enforcement mechanism**

No specific mention.

**Related cases**

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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.

**Source**

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