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PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TIPNG voted President of the PNG Resource Governance Coalition

Port Moresby, Thursday 20 October 2022 - Following its annual general meeting (AGM) on Tuesday 18/10/2022, the PNG Resource Governance Coalition (PNGRGC) has now elected Transparency International PNG (TIPNG) as the coalition's new president.

In addition to TIPNG as the President, the following positions on the PNGRGC Council were voted in the 2020 - 2021 AGM; Center for Environmental Law & Community Rights (Vice President), Consultative Implementation and Monitoring Council (Secretary), and Institute of National Affairs (Treasurer). All officer bearer agencies will serve in these roles for the next 12 months.

"PNGRGC looks forward to being more innovative and is prepared to take bold steps in supporting outreach and programs to achieve the objectives set out in the PNGRGC Constitution" said TIPNG CEO, Ms. Arianne Kassman after the election of the new Council at the AGM.

The objectives of the PNG Resource Governance Coalition are to:

- be used as an umbrella organisation to encompass all CSOs that have an interest and work in or related to the Extractive Sector
- contribute constructively to the civil society's participation in the introduction, promotion, awareness and implementation of the EITI in PNG
- introduce, promote and maintain programs and initiatives that are community focused
- develop understandings and partnerships with others
- maintain high standards of good governance for the Coalition and its members;
- establish and maintain a register of membership, as the basis for programs and outreach activities; and
- do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives or any of them.

The PNGRGC was founded in 2015 and incorporated in 2018 and is an organization that is broadly responsible for coordinating the efforts of CSOs in promoting and advocating the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) in PNG.

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What is TIPNG?

TIPNG is a member of Transparency International a global anti-corruption movement committed to fighting corruption. TIPNG is an independent organization in PNG known as a Chapter of the international movement. The PNG chapter advocates against corruption and promotes transparency, good governance, honesty and accountability both in private and public sector dealings. TIPNG tries to assist strengthen the integrity systems of our country such as the police, the parliament, the public services and the judiciary.