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TIPNG Not Deterred by Robbery

Transparency International Papua New Guinea (TIPNG) will not allow a recent burglary to stop their mission to empower citizens to oppose corruption. The newly opened TIPNG office located in Boroko, NCD suffered a break and entry in the early hours of Monday morning with personnel being assaulted and close to K20,000 worth of goods stolen from the premises.

“We are a local Non-governmental Organisation fighting an important battle against destructive corruption and dependent on financial support from concerned citizens and donor agencies” said Chairman of TIPNG Lawrence Stephens, “While we cannot say for certain that the theft was as a result of our work against the corrupt, we will obviously continue to fulfil our mission of speaking up for Papua New Guineans, even though we are now challenged by the loss of our project equipment.”

The matter has been reported to the Criminal Investigations Division (CID) of the Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary (RPNGC) who are currently following all leads and asking for members of the public with information to come forward.

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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.