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PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WALK AGAINST CORRUPTION 2019

Justice = Enforcement + Reporting

Thursday 16th May 2019, Port Moresby - Transparency International PNG launched the 13th Annual Sir Anthony Siaguru Walk Against Corruption today (Thursday 16 May 2019).

The theme of this year's walk is Justice = Enforcement + Reporting. Through the theme, TIPNG wants to draw people's attention to how corruption affects the quality and accessibility of justice but at the same time show national solidarity in the laws and institutions that we have in Papua New Guinea that ensure justice.

The Walk Against Corruption will be led by the Secretary of the Department of Justice & Attorney General, Dr Eric Kwa, Deputy Police Commissioner Operations, Mr Jim Andrews and Acting Correctional Service Commissioner, Mr Stephen Pokanis.

In the past months the country saw a lot of political changes that have shaken the foundations of PNG's democracy, but people to be reassured that the basic laws enshrined in our Constitution are upheld, that every citizen is also aware of their right to quality justice and their responsibilities as citizens.

TIPNG calls on all Law & Justice sector agencies and other organization to register teams to participate in the Walk. So far, 22 corporate teams, 1 civil society organization team, 3 family teams and 28 school teams have registered. There are 9 sponsors waiting to sponsor school teams, so Schools in Port Moresby are urged to and register their students to participate in the walk Against Corruption.

The Sir Anthony Siaguru Walk Against Corruption is TIPNG's major fundraising event that also aims to create greater awareness about corruption and provide citizens with an avenue to peacefully express their opposition to corruption. Funds raised from past walks have allowed for the development of Civic Education materials for use in schools in PNG. These materials teach students the basics of good citizenship, human rights, democracy and the Laws of the land.

TIPNG acknowledges the support of various organizations and individuals that have shown their support by donating resources towards the event, the registered teams and organizations, the volunteers who have signed up to assist during the event.

Registrations fees for the Walk are:

- Corporate organisations - K2, 000 for a team of 12 people
- Civil Society Organisations- K 200 for a team of 10 people
- School teams - K200 for a team of 10 students and 2 teachers
- Family teams - K 100 for a team of 10 people

This year the walk will be held in Port Moresby and Lae. To register a team, please call the TIPNG office on 3237517 or 3234917 and speak with Kalia or email info@transparencypng.org.pg

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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.