

## **Press Release**

The Bank of Papua New Guinea is pleased to announce the release of new 50 toea coin in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Saint John Ambulance Services in Papua New Guinea.

The Saint John Ambulance Services was established in Papua New Guinea in 1957, providing humanitarian services in First Aid and Medical support services, caring services in support of community needs and education, training and personal development to young people.

The Bank of Papua New Guinea pays tribute to their tireless commitment with this special commemorative coin featuring Saint John and the 8 pointed white cross with a distinctive lion and unicorn and founded on promise of relief of persons in need regardless of race, creed, social class and financial circumstances.

This coin is specially produced to mark the  $50^{th}$  Anniversary of the Establishment of Saint John Ambulance Services in Papua New Guinea.

This coin retains the dimensions and most design elements of the existing 50 toea coin except for the back, which bears the logo of Saint John Ambulance Services.

## **Coin Specification**

Diameter: 30mm

Weight: 12.10gram

Material RCM Multi-ply Nickel Plated Steel

Shape: Multi-sided

Edge Type: Interrupted Serration

The new 50 toea coin becomes legal tender on Monday 23 June 2008.

L. Wilson Kamit, CBE Governor

