



**BANK OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA**

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **Operations of the Bank of PNG and Authorised Financial Institutions during State of Emergency (SOE)**

With the recent declaration of the state of emergency by the Prime Minister to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19, for 14 days starting from 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020 or during the period of the crisis, the Bank of Papua New Guinea (BPNG) hereby advises the general public that during this period, it will continue its business operations including provision of services to the financial sector, government agencies and the public.

All authorized financial institutions are required to remain open and make essential services available to the general public. However, services may be scaled down at this time as authorized financial institutions maintain only critical staff and operations. Each institution will advise the general public if there are any changes such as closure of branches and changes to operating hours within this period.

BPNG is monitoring COVID-19 developments and will continue to work with Government and financial institutions to ensure the continuity of financial services in Papua New Guinea.

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