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PETROMIN GOES TO COURT OVER STATE NOMINEE

Petromin PNG Holdings Limited today has filed judicial review documents in the National Court at Port Moresby, seeking declaratory and injunctive orders and to allow for the due process of nomination under the Petromin Act for the Nomination of the State Nominee to be complied with, in appointing a State Nominee for the PNG LNG Project.

Chairman of the Board, Mr. Brown Bai said that the Petromin Act provides for a transparent and legally structured process of Nomination that Petromin must execute and conclude with the State.

He said the process of Nomination which Petromin has commenced with the State in February 2008 is still on-going and was to be concluded and the terms presented to the Minister responsible for Petromin for his consideration and decision.

“It appears that there is a serious conflict between the policy decision of the Executive Government and the expressed intentions of Parliament on the due process of nomination,” Mr. Bai said.

He said after due consideration on the facts before it, the independent Board of Petromin has decided to seek a judicial review on the NEC Decision.



Brown Bai, CBE
Chairman – Petromin Board