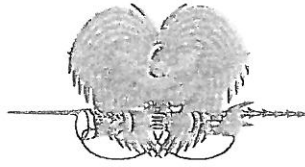


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Charles S. Punaha
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Dear Mr. Punaha,

*Walter
CEO
10/11/16*

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A/USAS
For your attention and
further action
*Walter
CEO
13/10*

SUBJECT : UAS PROJECTS

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 6th October, 2016 regarding the UAS Projects for 2016.

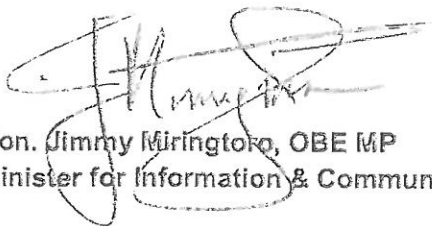
I have perused the document and commend UAS Board and NICTA in compiling the Report. Information and communication technologies (ICT) are a key component in the development of our country and we must strive to ensure that our people have access to these services. Equally important, we must also ensure that these services can be afforded by our people.

Pursuant to *Section 108 (5) of the Act*, I have reviewed the UAS Projects Report for 2016 and approve the projects together with the proposed Budget as recommended in the Report. The Projects approved are:

Rank	Project	Comments	Indicative Cost
1	Connect the Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be sustainable with a one-time capital subsidy;• Technically feasible	K2 million
2	Voice and Mobile Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be sustainable with a one-time capital subsidy;• Technically feasible	K20 million

I instruct that UAS Board and NICTA commence the Projects forthwith.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jimmy Mirington', written over a circular stamp or seal.

Hon. Jimmy Mirington, OBE MP
Minister for Information & Communications Technology