

FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA

AGREEMENT ON TRADE AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

*THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAPUA NEW
GUINEA,*

BEARING IN MIND the close trading and commercial relations existing between their
two countries,

ACKNOWLEDGING their respective international rights and obligations,

DESIRING to maintain and strengthen trade and commercial relations between their two
countries, and

HAVING RESOLVED to establish between their two countries a Free Trade Area with a
view to the sustained development of their economies through expansion of trade and investment
in accordance with their respective social and economic objectives,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

Article 1

Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears:

"Australia" means the states and the mainland territories of Australia;

"free goods" means goods which when the subject of trade between the Member States
are free of duties and other restrictive regulations of commerce pursuant to Article 3 of
this Agreement;

"Member States" means Papua New Guinea and Australia or, as the context requires,
the Government of Papua New Guinea and the Government of Australia;

"primary industry" means any industry producing, processing or marketing
agricultural, livestock, fisheries or forestry products;

"the Area" means the Free Trade Area established under Article 3 of this Agreement.