



Engaged in Peace  
Reconciliation

## Terms of Reference

### **Scoping Mission to Youth Pilot Project Site December 2016**

#### Background

1. As a follow on from the Guadalcanal Provincial Dialogue held in Honiara from 22-24 November 2016 and the Malaita Provincial Dialogue from 23-25 November 2016, UNDP will be undertaking a programme formulation scoping to the Weathercoast on Guadalcanal from 8-9 December 2016 and North Malaita from 13-16 December 2016. The focus of the scoping missions is to engage with marginalised youths in the Weathercoast of Guadalcanal and Northern Region of Malaita to prepare the annual work plan and program that will directly respond to youth needs in 2017.
2. Outcome 2 of the Supporting inclusive transition in Solomon Islands project focused on ensuring that youth are engaged in peacebuilding with society and leadership at different levels. During this mission, it is envisaged that 'Marginalized' youths will be identified and strategies devised to engage them in leadership to seek solutions to barriers they face and chart a way forward to become engaged for a positive influence on the peace consolidation efforts. Engagement of young women will be prioritized. Significantly more is known about the situation of women and children in Solomon Islands than that of youth. Particular interest lies in surveying and mapping more marginalized youth – especially in informal settlements and those most affected by the tensions. Activities implemented under this outcome area will be specifically researched and designed, building upon ongoing work – with expansion into marginalized areas in direct relevance to connections to peacebuilding.
3. The project is based on the belief that sustainable peace in the Solomon Islands requires active and stronger participation of young people as peace advocates. Supporting youth leaders to become peace advocates will mobilize this crucial segment of society as an asset to peacebuilding, not spoilers. It will reduce the risk of violence and potential use of youth people as negative political agents. The project will identify young leaders, train them and facilitate the engagement with the national leadership.

#### **Guadalcanal Weathercoast 8 – 9 December 2016**

##### **Mission Objectives**

- To travel to selected communities on the Weathercoast
- To identify and discuss with youth and community leaders on the potential to engage with youths in peace building activities in 2017.
- To identify potential community youth leaders that the project in collaboration with the Guadalcanal Desk of the Ministry of National Unity Reconciliation and Peace could be engaged in 2017.
- Based on the feedback of the community consultations, draft a concept for engaging Youth in Weathercoast in peace building activities in 2017.



#### Expected mission outcomes

The workshop will achieve the following outcomes:

- List of issues hindering the participation of youth in peacebuilding and socio-economic development in Weathercoast.
- Draft concept note for engaging Guadalcanal Weathercoast youth in 2017.

#### Mission Team

1. Mr Agus Wandu, Social Cohesion and Development Specialist/PBF Project Manager
2. Mr Brian Lenga, PBF Project
3. Mr Wilfred Maneisu, Peace Officer, Guadalcanal Desk, MNURP
4. Mr Solomon Love, Peace Officer, Guadalcanal Desk, MNURP
5. Mr Ednal Palmer, Solomon Star

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**Guadalcanal Weathercoast Budget: SBD\$30,000**

#### **North Malaita Scoping Mission 13 – 16 December 2016**

##### **Mission Objectives**

- To travel to selected communities on North Malaita
- To identify and discuss with youth and community leaders on the potential to engage with youths in peace building activities in 2017.
- To identify potential community youth leaders that the project in collaboration with the Malaita Desk of the Ministry of National Unity Reconciliation and Peace could be engaged in 2017.
- Based on the feedback of the community consultations, draft a concept for engaging Youth in Weathercoast of Guadalcanal and North Malaita in peace building activities in 2017.

#### Expected mission outcomes

The workshop will achieve the following outcomes:

- List of issues hindering the participation of youth in peacebuilding and socio-economic development in Weathercoast.
- Draft concept note for engaging North Malaita youth in 2017.

#### Mission Team

1. Mr Agus Wandu, Social Cohesion and Development Specialist/PBF Project Manager
2. Mr Erick Hale, PBF Project
3. Mr Francis Kairi, Deputy Director, Malaita Desk, MNURP, Auki
4. Mr Ben Otoofa, Senior Peace and Reconciliation Officer, Malaita Desk, MNURP, Auki
5. Mr Graham Felelufa, MNURP
6. Mr Ednal Palmer, Solomon Star

**North Malaita Budget: SBD\$30,000**

**Total Budget for both Guadalcanal Weathercoast and North Malaita Missions: SBD60,000**







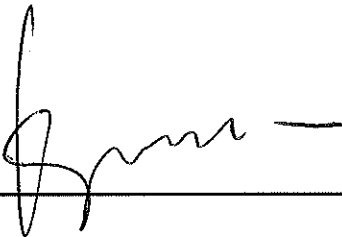
**United Nations Peacebuilding Fund Project**  
**South Guadalcanal Youth Brief Consultation Report**

**Country:** SOLOMON ISLANDS

**Period Covered:** 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016

**Prepared by:** Wilfred Maneisu (SPRO MNURP/ G. Desk)

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> / 12 / 2016

Approved by:  Date: 21<sup>st</sup> / 12 / 2016





## **South Guadalcanal Youth Brief Consultation Report:**

1. Venue: Kuma Community Hall
2. Date: December 16<sup>th</sup> 2016
3. Time: 7:30am – 8:30am

**Facilitator: Mr: Agus Wandu (Country Manager; UNDP Solomon Islands office:**

### **Team Members:**

1. Brian Lenga - UNDP Advisor Solomon Islands Office
2. Solomon Love – MNURP Senior Officer. G- Desk
3. Wilfred Maneisu – MNURP Senior Officer. G- Desk
4. Ednal Palmer - Solomon Star Journalist

### **Attendance:**

- Approximately 100 plus people attended the consultation meeting, youths, women Chiefs, church leaders and staff of Kuma Community High School. The attendance coming from Meramogho, Kolovei, Raeavu, Kuma Vava and Kuma Longa attended the Meeting.

### **Briefing Formalities:**

- Opening prayer was said by Minister Arnold Sala of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.
- Chief Richard of Kuma community welcome the Team, Youth representatives, Chiefs, women leaders and others who attended the consultation meeting.

### **Introduction**

- Solomon Love introduces the briefing by firstly acknowledging Kuma community as important stake holder in any peace undertaking in the weather coast of Guadalcanal make reference to the Peace building Training October 2012 & Solovisu program late 2013 and early 2014. He then explain that the purpose of this briefing will be deliberated by UNDP Manager Mr: Agus Wandu in his presentation.

### **Consultation Briefing:**

Manger UNDP Solomon Islands office, Mr: Agus Wandu made his remarks by stating the purpose of this visit are:

1. "have more understanding about Solomon Islands since 70% to 80% of the population are rural Base"
2. UNDP peace building program is to maintain peaceful co-existence
3. To assist in finding solutions to problems face by young people, Thus UN designed program to help young people.
4. Assess access of information in remote part of Solomon Islands in this regard the weather coast of Guadalcanal (esp. South Guadalcanal).

5. Questions:

- 1) How many people been to Honiara?
- 2) How many people listening to Radio Broadcasting (SIBC)?
- 3) Who is the Prime Minister of Solomon Islands?
- 4) Who is the Member of Parliament for South Guadalcanal Constituency?

Those questions were asked by Manager UNDP Solomon Islands to participants this to highlight the purpose of this brief consultation by getting better understanding about some of the challenges faced by rural dwellers of Solomon Islands.

Comments and Questions from Participants:

- **Berrick Atu( Principal Kuma CHS)**

Principal expressed that in this part of the Islands one thing that keep young people engaged and united is Sport. How can UNDP support sustain sport Activities in the rural area?

- **Chief Richard.**

Acknowledged Agus for brief consultation then he highlight some of the Activities which as community leader wish to bring to the attention of UNDP for support.

- 1) Sport Facilities
- 2) Health Facilities
- 3) Christian and cultural Festivals
- 4) Musical equipment's

- **Minister Walter Sala.**

Asked youth who own cocoa and coconut farmers to raised their hands and noted that most of the youth who attended the consultation owns cocoa and coconut plantations, he the highlighted the Problems.

- 1) Transportation -- Shipping Services very Poor
- 2) Market out let
- 3) Lack of Subsidy from government to sustain the plantation maintenance.
- 4) Community leaders' proposal to sign logging development seen as hindrances to development such as Tourism...Expressed importance of conservation of environment and culture as way of attracting tourists.

**Female youth rep.**

- How can UNDP help address unemployment youths in the rural area?

**Women Rep:**

- Expressed the need of rural women in the weather coast to have a permanent and proper market house.
- Can UNDP help build Market house for women in the weather coast of Guadalcanal?

**Stephen Male youth Rep:**

- Recommended to UNDP to facilitate Youth forum so that youth could prioritize activities that they could be assisted also to draw up youth plan and policy to help the achieve things for themselves.

**Other rep** requested UNDP to assist in Building centre for the people of weather coast of Guadalcanal.

**Mr: Agus Responds.**

- All issues raised were taken note of thus, some of the issues raised need to be discuss with the National Government thru; Your Member of Parliament some need to be discuss with the Guadalcanal Provincial Government thru; your member of Provincial Assembly and some we can do it thru; our community work.
- On the issue of rural youth Unemployment UNDP may facilitate training and encourage volunteer work on things like community road maintenance.
- Market house we can help find the cheapest way to build it with less cost, most of the time land disputes make such initiative too expensive to facilitate.
- He proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> consultation meeting may be yearly next year 2017.

**Conclusion.**

- **Brian Lenga** acknowledge everyone for comments and paused the following questions.
  - 1) What can you do for your people?
  - 2) What can other do for you?

Solomon Love thank everyone for time and comments and wish everyone Mary Christmas and prosperous new-year 2017.

**Minister Rolter Sala:** said the closing prayer.

The end.

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**SPRO MNURP... G. Desk.**  
**19/12/2016**



People pose with UNDP representatives after the meeting.

# UNDP visits Weathercoast

By EDNAL PALMER

A TEAM from the United Nations development Program (UNDP) under its Peace Building Program has visited the Weathercoast of Guadalcanal last week.

The team was led by UNDP's Peace Building Fund Project Manager Agus Wandi, National Peace and Development Advisor Brian Lengua and two desk officers representing Guadalcanal Province at the Ministry of National Unity and Peace.



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are still in the process of being familiarized and understand the situation of people in the remote Weathercoast areas.

This is to help the youth development aspect of the peace building project to support Youth as Leaders in these rural and remote locations.

"We need to visit these areas to see and understand challenges and needs of people in rural communities," Mr Wandi said.

He said the Youth Program under the Peace

**Youth representatives of Kumia and surrounding communities with youth magazines.**

Building Project targets youths in the Weathercoast, North Malaita and other parts of the Western Solomons.

The UNDP team visited Kumia village and met with elders, women and youth representatives of Kumia and surrounding communities.

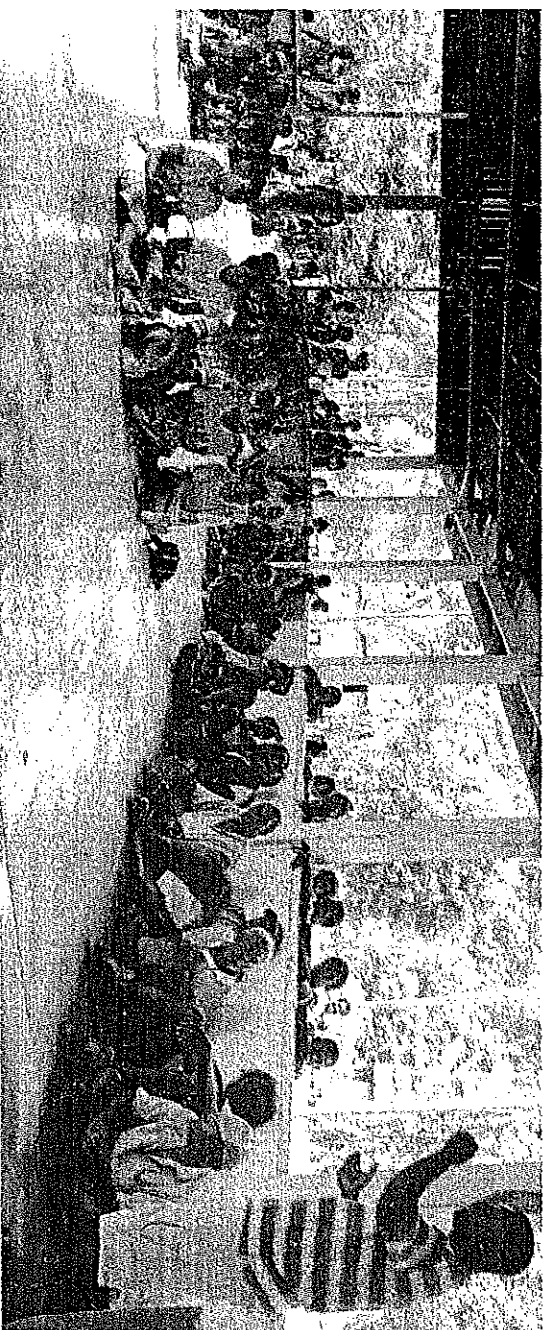
During the meeting, peo-

ple raised a number of issues affecting youths, one major issue being lack of engagement in positive activities.

Some elders said the remoteness of the area and disconnection of the markets makes it difficult for people to venture into small scale economical activities.

"...Because at the end of the day it is difficult to take out products to the markets in Honiara."

The two UNDP senior officers assured people that their concerns have been taken into account in order to work out how best the Youth Program can work with people.



An elder at Kumia village talks to his people.

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# Connecting people vital to peace building

By EDNAL PALMER

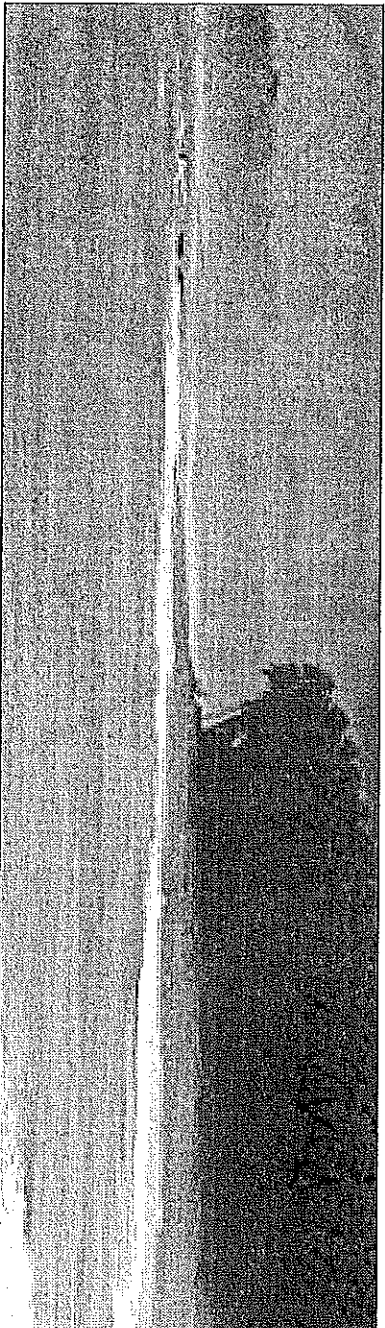
THE renewable wealth of the Solomon Islands is its people; sadly over 80 percent of this wealth is locked up in rural and remote areas.

Lack of infrastructure has disconnected and disabled people from partaking in economic activities that can stimulate self reliance and peaceful coexistence.

The Weathercoast region of Guadalcanal may have existed on the main Island that hosts the capital where there is infrastructure and economic boom, yet people in these areas of Honiara's backyard are marginalized and cut-off.

United Nation Development Program (UNDP), under its peace building project last week visited Kuma village, Weathercoast – a mission to familiarise and understand the situation there.

The Solomon Star accompanied the team led by UNDP's Peace Building Fund project manager Agus Wandi and UNDP's National Peace and De-



The terrain Weathercoast Mountains and rough waters. Photo: Ian Stephens

Lenga. The Weathercoast is truly disconnected, although that hosts all economical activities.

The Solomon Star spoke to a number of Village elders who expressed desperate desire to participate in economic activities only to be denied by infrastructural setback.

"People have cocoa and coconut farms and actively involved in economical activities, but our major setback is accessing the markets," an elder Ruben Pero

Mr Pero said one sack of betel nut to Honiara costs \$100 in freight.

...and a sea fare to travel to Honiara via an outboard motor canoe costs \$400, which is \$800 return.

"Therefore, for someone from our areas to get to Honiara, they have to prepare up to \$2000.

"How can we make any money when travelling alone is unaffordable," he questioned.

A canteen owner said if his shop runs out of goods, he will have to wait for

not normally travel to the Weathercoast areas.

Mr Pero did not know that area is an uneconomical route even for boat owners, but all that troubled him was lack of plans to connect people in the Weathercoast to Honiara.

In their policy the current government has no clear road map in infrastructural development to remote areas but has a broad long term plan.

However, under DCCG's reform infrastructure programs, DCCG in 2013 activated domestic shipping

economical routes in the country.

The Domestic Maritime Support Project, financed by the Solomon Islands Government, ADB, Australia, New Zealand, and the European Union has established a Franchise Shipping Scheme that initially subsidizes private sector operators to provide inter-island shipping services to 8 uneconomical remote areas: the Shortland Islands, the Guadalcanal Weather Coast, Temotu, the Makira Weather Coast, Sikaiana, Ontong Java, Rennell and

mon Islands. Shipping is the dominant mode of transport in Solomon Islands, and the need for regular, reliable and cost effective shipping services for all areas of the country is essential.

But those in the Weathercoast are still waiting for a ship to arrive under the arrangement.

The Solomon Islands Government must continue to use revenues effectively to restore and upgrade the national infrastructure network.

It needs to ensure that different parts of the Solomon Islands economy are well connected so that it stimulate economical activities and for the benefits of economic growth to be shared equally.

Kuma is a populated place and is located in the heart of Weathercoast. The estimate terrain elevation above sea level is 30 metres.

Connecting this mass population can engage people in economical activities that can stimulate growth and self reliance; which provides a conducive environment for peaceful

# Christmas and New Year Church programme

**ST BARNABAS CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PROGRAMME**

5.00pm Evensong  
 Officiant: Fr. Martin Misioti  
 Assistant: MBH

**L/HOWE SETTLEMENT**  
 8.00am Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Nigel Kelaepa  
 Assistants: Clergy & Catechists

**Saturday 24th December**  
 8.00pm Lessons and Carols by Candle Lights and Holy Eucharist Service.  
 Officiant: Fr. Gerald Porowai  
 Fr. Martin Misioti  
 Preacher: Fr. Wilfred Kekea  
 Assistants: Clergy, MBH & Assists

**Friday 6th January**  
 Feast of Epiphany  
 5.30pm Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Gerald Porowai

**ALL SAINTS PARISH CHRISTMAS 2016 AND NEW YEAR'S DAY 2017 PROGRAMME**

**Sunday 25th December**  
 6.00am Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant: Fr. Martin Misioti  
 Preacher:  
 8.00am Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant: Fr. Michael Palmer  
 Preacher: Fr. Nigel Kelaepa  
 Assistants: Clergy, MHB & Assists

**Saturday 24th December**  
 10.00pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant: Fr. M. Selo  
 Preacher: S. Hon  
 Assistants: L/Assistants

**L/HOWE SETTLEMENT**  
 8.00am Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant/  
 Preacher: Fr. George Da'agi  
 Assistants: Clergy & Catechists

**KOA HILL**  
 10.00pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Milton  
 Assistants: L/Assistants

**Sunday 1st January**  
 8.00am Holy Eucharist  
 Officiant/  
 Preacher: Archbishop George Takeli  
 Assistants: Clergy, MBH & Assists

**Sunday 25th December**  
 Christmas Day  
 8.00am Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Stewart  
 Assistants: L/Assistants Papac

8.00am Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Milton  
 Assistants: L/Assistants

**Monday 26th December**  
 St. Stephen Martyrs  
 5.30pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant: Fr. M. Selo  
 Preacher: M. Anita  
 Assistants: SSF

**Tuesday 27th December**  
 St. John - Apostle & Evangelist  
 06.00am: Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Stewart  
 Assistant: SSF

**Wednesday 28th December - Holy Innocents - Martyrs**  
 5.30pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant: Fr. J. Anisi  
 Preacher: D. Wale  
 Assistant: SSF

**Thursday 29th December**  
 06.00am Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. P. Pupuka  
 Assistant: SSF

**Friday 30th December**  
 5.30pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant: Fr. Stewart  
 Preacher: H. Maekasi  
 Assistant: SSF

**Saturday 31st December**  
 New Year's Eve  
 10.00pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant: Fr. M. Selo  
 Preacher: M. Anita  
 Assistant: L/Assistants

**KOA HILL**  
 10.00pm Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Milton  
 Assistant: L/Assistants

**Sunday 1st January 2017**  
 New Year's Day  
 08.00am Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. P. Rongotha  
 Assistant: L/Assistant  
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08.00am Holy Communion  
 Celebrant/  
 Preacher: Fr. Milton  
 Assistants: L/Assistant

**TRANSFIGURATION PARISH VURA DIOCESE OF CENTRAL MELANESIA 24 AND 25TH DECEMBER 2016**

**24th December**  
 6.30PM: Christmas Candle Light Service  
 Officiants: Rector and Clergy  
 There will be singing of carols, scripture reading and prayers.

The service should end about 9.00pm and followed by tea and coffee before dismissing for the night.

(There will be no midnight service)

**25th December**  
 Vura Main Church  
 8.00 am Christmas Day Service  
 Celebrant and Preacher will be the Rector and Assisted by the Clergy and Lay Assistants.

(There will be light refreshment after the service and families are given the opportunity to celebrate Christmas with their families and friends at their homes)

Soap Labour line Satellite Church: Celebrant and Preacher will be His Grace the Archbishop of the Church of Melanesia, The Most Rev. George Takeli.

The other two satellite churches, Higway and St. James will join the Archbishop and the Soap Labourline Congregation for the Christmas Service.

(There will be a Christmas Meal after the service)

Anyone wishing to join us in our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services is most welcome.

The Vura Parish Rector, Chairman and Council wish our nation Solomon Islands a Happy Christmas Celebration and a Prosperous New Year 2017.