

Ladies and Gentlemen, Honorable Ministers, Dear Ambassador

Good Morning everyone

I am pleasure and even stirring to stand here, witnessing the IGIS project completion together with all of you. It is a major milestone in PNG ICT development and Huawei is honored to be part of it and contribute to it. I would like to take opportunity to appreciate the tremendous cooperation and collaboration from PNG Government, especially Department of Communication and Information. We have been working hand by hand throughout the project and we clearly understand how hard the project implementation it is, so when we are gathering here to celebrate the successful project delivery, I believe what we have now is the tears of joy, excitement and hope. I also want to thanks for Chinese Embassy and Economic consulate who initiated and facilitated the project funding from China EXIM Bank. IGIS project elevates the bilateral relationship between two governments, strengthens economic and trade cooperation and promote common prosperity.

The IGIS project builds a single platform that will minimize duplication, enhance accuracy, improve efficiency and enable good governance and accountability for government; it also helps in achieving offices automation and streamlining organization structure to reduce government operation cost. Moreover, we believe the most significant deliverable of IGIS project is to initiate Strategic National ICT Development Plan, a unified ICT development among government offices instead of individual ones

Huawei views Information Communication Technology (ICT) is a key driver for today's global economic and social development. ICT accelerates economic transformation, and is a catalyst for change as we all move to a Global Digital Economy. Therefore I firmly believe the completion of phase one project is only the start point of PNG National ICT Development and the IGIS platform should be extended to all provinces and districts as it is planned and then lead to the whole nation's economic and social development

As you may know, Huawei is a leading global ICT solutions provider and Huawei PNG was established since 2007 and we have been steadily and strategically developing our business locally with all operators and government entities. IGIS project is the first project that we cooperated with PNG government to deploy modern ICT technologies to this country and as you may be aware that we also help government to implement National Identity Card project. We endeavor to fulfill our social reasonability, for instance we made a donation to MA PNG for the building of local hospital and school in 2012. In 2013 the local ICT talent cultivation program was launched together by Department of Communication and Information and Department of High Education, sponsored by Huawei Technologies. 25 students who are studying the Communication Technology in Lae university of Technology are selected to attend the training provided by Huawei in National Training Center and 7 Top students will be selected to join us serving for PNG ICT projects.

We appreciate this partnership as well as friendship with PNG Government and we blend ourselves into the local sociality and contribute to community development. The culture similarity makes us feel comfortable and confidence to keep investing in Papua New Guinea ICT development as a strategic partner. We look forward to continuing to work with the PNG Government in building out ICT Infrastructure contributing to national economic development. Thank you