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1. Organisation of Employment:

University of Goroka

2. Job Title/Position:

Lecturer/Program Coordinator/ Counselling Clinical Supervisor

3. Australian Education Qualification(s) and Institute(s)

Master of Learning Innovation (Specialization: Guidance & Counselling), Queensland University of Technology

4. Why do you want to be a member of the PNGAAA National Executive?

I would like to be the President of the PNG – Australia Alumni Association to uphold & reinforce the Mission and the Objectives of PNGAAA, and that is to strengthen the relationship between Australia & PNG through effective means. As the President, this will be achieved through the following:

Empower & give continual support for the existing relationship between the two countries in the public service, the private sector, and the civil society;

Liaise and organizing exchange programs for students/staff between Australian & PNG institutions. For example, bring in visiting lecturers to provide lectures, do mentoring or coaching and work along their counterparts in the two countries. Can be for both long term or short term;

Could negotiate with Australian retired population to assist in various areas in PNG especially for mentoring and coaching as well as to share knowledge & skills for capacity building;

Encourage/initiate collaborative work in areas of research on topics/issues important to both countries as well as the world;

Liaise & organize the same for other organizations where the PNGAAA members are attached to;

Provide an opportunity for youths in PNG & Australia to visit each other' country as a learning experience. (Learn the language, culture, values, etc.)

The second part of the mission is to contribute to PNG's development through several means:

- Empower women & children/youths with information sharing, etc. through the Grant that the National PNGAAA provides;
- Organize and conduct more awareness by all chapters on domestic and gender/sexual violence;
- Strategize effective networking methods to get PNGAAA into provinces of PNG where PNGAAA is non-existent;
- Create effective strategies to encourage chapters to work in collaboration to build PNGAAA through by sharing ideas & information;

Create an avenue for all chapters to provide genuine information to Australia Awards PNG on the need areas in respective provinces to assist in the selection process for scholarships.

The National Executive will work as a team to achieve the above. The activities must also be aligned to the PNGAAA Constitution. The wisdoms of the Chapter Members through their Executives will also be considered.