

148 On 19 September 2014, Mr G J Sheppard of Messrs Young & Williams Lawyers wrote to Mr Dairi Vele, Secretary and departmental head of the Department of Treasury, as follows:

*"Dear Mr Secretary,*

*ACQUISITION OF PORTION 698, MILINCH GRANVILLE, FOURMIL MORESBY*

*We act for and are instructed by Kitoro No.64 Limited ("Kitoro').*

*Kitoro is the leaseholder of Portion 698, Milinch Granville, Fourmil Moresby ("Portion 698').*

*We are instructed that our client had reached agreement with the respective Departments of Lands, Treasury and Defence that the State would acquire and purchase our client's Portion 698 at the agreed price of K14 (fourteen) million kina and that such payment would be made upon the acquisition of Portion 698.*

*Kitoro instructs that on 5 September 2014 the Minister for Lands acquired Portion 698 by issuance of a Notice under section 12(1) of the Land Act 1996. To date, our client has not been paid for the purchase of Portion 698.*

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*By this letter we write to respectfully request that your Office issue payment to our client for Portion 698 at the earliest.*

*Failing a satisfactory and timely response, we are instructed to commence immediate Court proceedings against the State for breaching the terms and conditions for purchase of our client 's Portion 698.*

*Please let us have your response to this letter by and before 4.00pm on 23 September 2014.*

*We look forward to your positive and timely response. Our client reserves all of its rights."*