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To All Members.

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2023 – NATIONAL GAZETTE No. G775 DATED 10 OCT 2022**

For your information, we attach National Gazette No. G775 dated 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 listing the **PNG National Public Holidays for 2023**. Also listed therein, for observance purposes only, are the National and International Observance Days for next year – 2023.

Should you have any questions regarding the same or public holidays in general, please do not hesitate to contact the Federation Office.

Thank you and wish you all a safe weekend.

Yours sincerely



**Florence Willie**  
**Executive Director**



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*Public Holidays Act (Chapter 321)*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, GRAND CHIEF SIR BOB DADAE, GCL., G.C.M.G., K. St. J., Governor-General, by virtue of the powers conferred by Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the *Public Holidays Act* (Chapter 321) and all other powers me enabling, acting with, and in accordance with, the advice of the National Executive Council, hereby —

- (a) appoint Monday, 2nd January, 2023 to be the day to commemorate the New Year's Day; and
- (b) appoint Friday, 24th February, 2023 to be the day to commemorate the National Remembrance Day of the late First Prime Minister, Great Grand Chief Rt. Hon. Sir Michael Thomas Somare; and
- (c) appoint Monday, 12th June, 2023 to be the day to commemorate the Birthday of the Queen; and
- (d) appoint Monday, 24th July, 2023 to be the day to commemorate the Papua New Guinea Remembrance Day; and
- (e) appoint Friday, 15th September, 2023 to be the day to commemorate the attainment of Independent Sovereign Nationhood; and
- (f) notify for general information that the following days shall be observed as Public Holidays throughout Papua New Guinea:

No.	Public Holiday	Day/Date
1.	New Year's Day	Monday, 2nd January, 2023
2.	National Remembrance Day of the Late First Prime Minister, Great Grand Chief Rt. Hon. Sir Michael Thomas Somare	Friday, 24th February, 2023
3.	Good Friday	Friday, 7th April, 2023
4.	Easter Saturday	Saturday, 8th April, 2023
5.	Easter Sunday	Sunday, 9th April, 2023
6.	Easter Monday	Monday, 10th April, 2023
7.	Queen's Birthday	Monday, 12th June, 2023

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No.	Public Holidays	Day/Date
8.	National Remembrance Day	Monday, 24th July, 2023
9.	National Repentance Day	Saturday, 26th August, 2023
10.	Independence Day	Friday, 15th September, 2023
11.	Christmas Day	Monday, 25th December, 2023
12.	Boxing Day	Tuesday, 26th December, 2023

Dated this Wednesday, 5th day of October, 2022.

Sir BOB DADAE,  
Governor-General.*Public Holidays Act (Chapter 321)*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for general information that the following days shall be for observance throughout Papua New Guinea but not as Public Holidays:

Nos.	Days to be Observed	Days	Dates
1.	Global Family Day - formerly one day of peace and sharing	Sunday	1st January, 2023
2.	International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust	Friday	27th January, 2023
3.	International Mother Language Day	Tuesday	21st February, 2023
4.	International Day for Women's Right and International Peace	Wednesday	8th March, 2023
5.	Commonwealth Day	Thursday	9th March, 2023
6.	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	Tuesday	21st March, 2023
7.	Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racial and Discrimination - week beginning	Tuesday	21st March, 2023
8.	World Day for Water	Wednesday	22nd March, 2023
9.	National Women's Day	Friday	24th March, 2023
10.	National Day of Disabled Persons	Wednesday	29th March, 2023
11.	World Health Day	Friday	7th April, 2023
12.	Book and Copyright Day	Sunday	23rd April, 2023
13.	World Press Freedom Day	Wednesday	3rd May, 2023
14.	International Day of Family	Monday	15th May, 2023
15.	World Telecommunication Day	Wednesday	17th May, 2023
16.	World No-Tobacco Day	Wednesday	31st May, 2023
17.	World Environment Day	Mon. to Tue.	5-6th June, 2023
18.	National Labour Day	Saturday	10th June, 2023
19.	World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	Saturday	17th June, 2023
20.	International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	Monday	26th June, 2023
21.	International Day of Cooperation	Saturday	1st July, 2023

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Nos.	Days to be Observed	Days	Dates
22.	World Population Day	Tuesday	11th July, 2023
23.	Provincial Government Day	Wednesday	19th July, 2023
24.	International Day of the World's Indigenous People	Wednesday	9th August, 2023
25.	National Prayer Days	Wed. to Thurs.	6-7th September, 2023
26.	International Literacy Day	Friday	8th September, 2023
27.	International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	Saturday	16th September, 2023
28.	World Maritime Day	Friday	29th September, 2023
29.	International Day of Older Persons	Sunday	1st October, 2023
30.	World Habitat Day	Wednesday	4th October, 2023
31.	International/National World Teachers Day	Thursday	5th October, 2023
32.	World Post Day	Monday	9th October, 2023
33.	International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction	Wednesday	11th October, 2023
34.	World Food Day	Monday	16th October, 2023
35.	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	Tuesday	17th October, 2023
36.	World Development Information Day	Tuesday	24th October, 2023
37.	United Nations Day	Tuesday	24th October, 2023
38.	Disarmament Week	Tues. to Mon.	24-30th October, 2023
39.	Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels Day	Friday	3rd November, 2023
40.	Universal Children's Day	Monday	20th November, 2023
41.	World AIDS Day	Friday	1st December, 2023
42.	International Day of Disabled Persons	Sunday	3rd December, 2023
43.	International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development	Tuesday	5th December, 2023
44.	International Civil Aviation Day for Economic and Social Development	Thursday	7th December, 2023
45.	Human Rights Day	Sunday	10th December, 2023
46.	Anniversary of UNICEF	Monday	11th December, 2023

Dated this Thursday, 6th day of October, 2022.

J. MARAPE,  
Chairman—National Executive Council.