

Colonel Chris Webb from Papua New Guinea writes: _

'The highlight of the year (2012) had to be the Territorial Women's Rally which was part of the Territorial Congress led by General Linda Bond. A Territorial Rally is a very rare event for us. In response to the great kindness of the Australia Eastern Territory to our Territory we asked our women to make billums (this is a traditional bag used in PNG)

At the rally these billums were brought forward by the corps officers. There were 460 in total. These were received by Commissioner James Condon as Commissioner Jan was too ill to attend. The billums will be given out at the Australia Eastern Territorial Women's weekend and in each billum there will be a fridge magnet with a photo of a PNG woman officer and the request will be that the recipient of the billum will pray for the officer on the magnet.

It is hard to put in to words the sheer joy of this event. Our women saved all year to be able to attend this event. Each group that participated made special outfits to wear for their item. The women from the Solomon Islands attending their very first Rally and were warmly welcomed by their PNG sisters. A significant number of women rededicated their lives at the end of the meeting.





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