

INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
MINING ACT 1992
No. 20 of 1992.

An extract of the Mining Act 1992, claus 163

163. CONFIDENTIALITY.

Information disclosed under this Act to the Minister, to an officer of the Department, or to a member of the Board shall not be disclosed to any person who is not an officer or employee of the Department without the prior written approval of the person who provided that information, except to the extent that disclosure is authorized or required under this Act or any other law; or to the extent the person providing the information authorized its disclosure at the time of providing the information;

or

to the extent necessary for the Director to publish statistical information concerning the geology and mineral resources of the State; or to the extent necessary for the Director to give advice to the National Executive Council, other Departments and the Central Bank on a confidential basis.

An officer of the Department or member of the Board who uses, for the purpose of his personal gain, any information disclosed under this Act that comes to his knowledge in the course of, or by reason of his employment as an officer of the Department or his membership of the Board, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: A fine not exceeding K10, 000.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding four years, or both.