JUSTIFICATION COMMITTEE MANUAL



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INTRODUCTION

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. (*PNGOC*) has the exclusive authority for the selection and entry of Team PNG at the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Pacific Games, Pacific Mini Games, Youth Olympic Games, Commonwealth Youth Games and other games that fall under its mandate (the *Games*).

For the entry of Team PNG in the stated Games, the National Federations affiliated to the PNGOC are required to justify their sport, officials and athletes for endorsement.

The Justification Committee is the committee responsible for the endorsement and or non-endorsement of sports, officials and athletes to Team PNG.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

"JC" PNGOC Justification Committee which is responsible for confirming

the selection to Team PNG, through the endorsement of athletes and tean

officials on the Team

"CGF" Commonwealth Games Federation

"Games" The multi-sport events attended by Team PNG, including the Pacific

Games, Pacific Mini Games, Commonwealth Games, Commonwealth Youth Games, Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, World Beach

Games, Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, Asian Games

"GMT" General Management Team of the PNG

Pacific Games Team

"HPTC" The High Performance Training Centre operated by the PNGSF

"IOC" International Olympic Committee

"PNGOC" Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. who, for the purposes of the

Pacific Games is the Papua New Guinea Pacific Games Association (PGA), for the purposes of the Commonwealth Games is the Papua New Guinea Commonwealth Games Association (CGA) and for the purposes of the Olympic Games is the Papua New Guinea National Olympic Committee

(NOC)

"PNG AC" PNG Athletes Commission - A group established to serve the best

interests of Papua New Guinea's elite athletes, particularly to represent their views and interests on the Executive Board of the PNGOC and its

other decision-making bodies and committees.

"PNGSF" Papua New Guinea Sports Foundation who is the government body

responsible for Sport Development in PNG

"Team Manager" The team official nominated by an NF and endorsed by JC to manage

athletes and team officials from each sport. In the case of team sports,

two Team Managers (one per gender) will be selected.

"Team PNG" The team of athletes and officials selected by the PNGOC to represent

Papua New Guinea at a Games

Number of athletes, officials (coaches, managers, general team management) and NOC representatives that make up Team PNG

"NF" The National Federation responsible for a particular sport in the country

PURPOSE

The PNGOC's Justification Committee was established to assess and confirm or reject nominations received from National Federations for its Sport, Officials and Athletes to be part of Team PNG to represent Papua New Guinea at the Olympic, Youth Olympic, Commonwealth, Commonwealth youth, Pacific and Pacific Mini Games. Through the Olympic Movement, PNG may be invited to participate at certain continental Games such as the Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, World Beach Games and the Asian Games. The JC is responsible for the endorsement of Sport, Officials and Athletes to these Games.

The JC shall apply the criteria outlined in the JC Terms of Reference. Refer annex A. JC Terms of Reference.

APPOINTMENTS

The PNGOC Executive Board, in the year of their election, shall appoint the JC to be comprised as follows:

- 1. The Secretary General of the PNGOC (or in his/her absence, the Deputy Secretary General);
- 2. A Director of PNGOC;
- 3. the Chair (or nominee) of the Athletes Commission of the PNGOC;
- 4. The Director of the National Sports Institute;
- 5. Three (3) Ordinary Committee Members, one of whom shall be an elected member of the Executive Committee of an affiliated National Federation.

PROCESS

At least 3 ½ years out from a Games, the PNGOC will call for submissions from relevant National Federations who are on the Sports Program for each Games. The submissions will be as per the three categories outlined below, each with their own timeline:

- 1. Justification of Sport 3 years from the Games
- 2. Justification of Officials 2 years from the Games
- 3. Justification of Athletes 1 year from the Games

Deadlines will be set for each submission and communicated to all NF, with updates on respective Games' Key Dates and Deadlines.

The JC will meet with all relevant NFs at least twice each year depending on the Games and JC timeline relevant to those Games. The purpose of such meeting will be to consider the submissions for justification per category.

Within 14 working days from the meeting, the JC decision will be communicated in writing to the NF.

Sports, Officials and or Athletes who are Not Endorsed or Not Yet Endorsed will be granted a further extension as approved by the JC based on each circumstance, to submit all outstanding requirements for consideration.

REQUIREMENTS

In order to justify and therefore obtain the JC's endorsement of a Sport, Officials and Athletes, National Federations must submit the following documents by the deadlines outlined in the JC Process Map (refer annex B. JC Process Map.

Note: the JC may require additional information which they will stipulate.

Sport	Official	Athlete				
 Justifying your Sport Form NF Selection Criteria with names of selection panel if applicable and sport specific testing protocols Provide evidence of how NF Criteria will be communicated to athletes Submit preparation plans with benchmark events Games Performance Goals Sign-off on Team PNG Selection Policy ** 	 Completed and signed Officials Nomination Form Completed Officials Bio Data Form with soft copy of passport bio page and passport ID photo Current IF or OSEP Team Manager/Development Coach/S&C certification Athlete Safeguarding certification ** Anti-doping certification ** 	 Completed Officials Bio Data Form with soft copy of passport bio page and passport ID photo Fitness Test results Medical Test results Benchmark competition results Coach to justify athletes at JC meeting 				

^{**} JC endorsement for Sport is subject to sign-off on the Team PNG Selection Policy, inclusive of the Sport specific selection criteria.

The Officials and Athletes' bio data form is a form used to capture information required for the following: **Accreditation**

i. First Name (as appears on passport)

- ii. Family Name (as appears on passport)
- iii. Gender
- iv. Date of Birth (format to enter: dd/mm/yyyy)
- v. Age
- vi. Passport number
- vii. Passport Nationality
- viii. Date Issued (format to enter: dd/mm/yyyy)
- ix. Expiry Date
- x. Passport Photo Submitted (Yes/No)
- xi. Height (cm)
- xii. Weight (kg)

Uniforms Sizes

- i. Tracksuit (Male sizes: XS 4XL, Female sizes: 10-24)
- ii. Polo/ Shirts (Male sizes: XS 4XL, Female sizes: 10-24)
- iii. Shorts (Male sizes: XS 4XL, Female sizes: 10-24)
- iv. Shoes (sizes to be in UK)

^{**} JC endorsement for Officials is subject to completion of Athletes Safeguarding and Anti-Doping courses.

Justification of officials and athletes

Officials

Coach:

- i. Coaching Accreditation
- ii. Date Coaching Accreditation was achieved
- iii. Coaching Experience
- iv. Description of Coaching Experience
- v. Name of Competitions, Location and Date

Manager:

- i. Professional Experience
- ii. Previous management experience in sport date and venue
- iii. Other Sport experience (coach, administrator or athlete)
- iv. Date
- v. Venue/Location

Athletes

- i. Individual sport event/s
- ii. Individual sport Personal Best/Ranking
- iii. Team Sport Position
- iv. Achievements
- v. Other comments to justify selection
- vi. Games Target

Insurance

- i. Location based (place of residence)
- ii. Pre-existing Injury/ Illness
- iii. Start Date (of pre-existing injury/ illness)
- iv. Contact phone number (landline)
- v. Contact phone number (mobile)
- vi. Email address

Other information for athletes

- i. Highest Level of Education
- ii. Institute
- iii. Year
- iv. Employment Status

ANNEXURES

A. JC Terms of Reference



JUSTIFICATION COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

This Justification Committee ('the Committee') of the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee ('PNGOC') is established in accordance with Article 28 (b) of the PNGOC's Constitution.

1. **DEFINITIONS**

Affiliate has the meaning given in Rule 6 of the PNGOC Constitution.1

Chair means the member of the Committee who is appointed as Chair of the Committee in accordance with these Terms of Reference.

Committee means the Justification Committee of the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee which is established by the Executive Committee in accordance with Article 28 (b) of the PNGOC Constitution.

Committee Member means any member of the Committee who is appointed in accordance with Clause 4.

Director means a member of the Executive Committee.

Executive Committee means the Executive Committee of the PNGOC.

Member has the meaning given in Rule 5 of the PNGOC Constitution.²

- 6 Affiliates
- (a) A National Federation that is not an incorporated entity may apply to be an Affiliate.
- (b) An Affiliate shall have the same rights and obligations as a Member, except for the right to vote, and be entitled to receive notice of, attend and observe but not vote at General Meetings.

5 Membership Categories

Membership of PNGOC shall comprise the following categories:

- (a) Member
 - A National Federation that is an incorporated entity may apply to be a Member.
- (b) IOC Member

¹ Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Constitution, Rule 6:

² Ibid, Rule 5:

Olympiad means the four (4) year period between each Summer Olympic Games.

Ordinary Committee Member means any Committee Member who is appointed in accordance with Clause 4(b) by the Executive Committee.

Secretariat means the Secretariat of the PNGOC appointed by the Executive Committee in accordance with Rule 13 of the PNGOC Constitution.

Secretary General means the Secretary General of the PNGOC appointed by the Executive Committee in accordance with Rule 13 of the PNGOC Constitution.

2. INTRODUCTION

- (a) PNGOC has the exclusive authority for the selection and entry of Team PNG at the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Pacific Games, Pacific Mini Games, Youth Olympic Games, Commonwealth Youth Games and other games that fall under its mandate (the *Games*).
- (b) The Committee is appointed by the Executive Committee of the PNGOC to carry out these Terms of Reference.

3. ROLE AND KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Justification Committee's functions are:

- (a) to assess and confirm or reject nominations received from National Federations:
- (i) for athletes; and
- (ii) for managers, coaches and technical officials;
- to represent Team PNG in the Games.
- (a) In making its decisions,, the Committee shall apply the following criteria:-
 - (i) the selected athletes should be the best available competitors, measured against the criteria set out in the selection policies of respective sports;
 - (ii) the selected athletes must meet the eligibility criteria for participation in the Event.
 - (iii) all selected individuals are of good character and will be good ambassadors of Papua New Guinea;
 - (iv) any other matters which are considered to be relevant.

4. COMPOSITION

- (a) The Committee shall have seven (7) members comprising:
 - (i) The Secretary General, (or in their absence, the Deputy Secretary General);

An individual who is appointed by Special Resolution for exceptional service to the PNGOC, of whom there may be no more than five (5) at any one time.

A member of the IOC who is resident in Papua New Guinea shall be an ex officio member.

⁽c) Life Member

- (ii) A Director of PNGOC;
- (iii) Chair of the Athletes Commission of the PNGOC (or nominee);
- (iv) The Director of the National Sports Institute; and
- (v) Three (3) Ordinary Committee Members, one of whom shall be an elected member of the Executive Committee of an affiliated National Federation.
- (b) The Ordinary Committee Members shall be appointed by the Executive Committee of the PNGOC.
- (c) Ordinary Committee Members shall serve a term of two (2) years from the date of appointment.
- (d) All retiring Ordinary Committee Members are eligible for reappointment.

5. MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES

Committee Members must:

- (i) abide by the Values of the Olympic Movement, the Olympic Charter (www.olympic.org), all applicable laws of Papua New Guinea, the PNGOC's Code of Conduct and all other relevant PNGOC by-laws, policies and directions.
- (ii) attend scheduled meetings of the Committee, or notify the Chair and tender an apology if unable to attend.
- (iii) avoid bringing the Committee or the PNGOC into disrepute.
- (iv) (any other responsibilities necessary to mention)

For example:

- i. Tender reports at meetings of the Committee or at any other time when requested by the Chair, on any of their activities which may be delegated to them from time to time by the Chair.
- ii. In the event any member believes that can no longer satisfy their responsibilities under these Terms of Reference, they will tender their resignation to the Chair.

6. RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS

- (a) If a Committee Member fails to comply with Clause 5, the Committee may vote to remove them by ordinary resolution.
- (b) Any vote to remove a Committee Member will only be effective if it is endorsed by the Executive Committee.
- (c) Once endorsed by the Executive Committee, a decision to remove a Committee Member shall be communicated in writing to the Committee Member.

7. VACANCY

A vacancy occurs if a Committee Member:

- (i) dies;
- (ii) is removed in accordance with clause 6;
- (iii) resigns by notice in writing delivered to the Chair of the Committee;

- (iv) is permanently incapacitated by mental or physical ill health; or
- (v) is absent from more than three consecutive meetings of the Committee.

8. MEETINGS

- (a) The Committee shall meet at least three (3) times in a calendar year.
- (b) The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Committee. In the event that the Chair is unable to attend a meeting of the Committee, those present shall elect one of their number to chair that meeting. The Chair of a meeting shall have a casting vote in addition to their primary vote if required.
- (c) The quorum of the Committee shall not be less than three (3) members.
- (d) No business may be transacted at a meeting of the Committee where a quorum is not present.

9. COMMITTEE PAPERS

(a) The Chair must arrange for the distribution, two (2) days in advance of a meeting of the Committee, of an agenda and any related papers to each Committee Member and the Secretary General.

10. COMMITTEE MINUTES

- (a) The Chair must arrange for the preparation of draft minutes of meetings and have them approved by the Committee.
- (b) Minutes of meetings shall be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee for adoption.
- (c) Minutes signed by the Chair shall be conclusive evidence of the matters recorded in such minutes.

11. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- (a) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Committee may appeal in writing to the Papua New Guinea Sports Dispute Tribunal (the 'PNGSDT') stating the grounds of the appeal within fourteen (14) days of the date of notification of the decision of the Committee.
- (b) Any person, team or team member aggrieved by the decision of the PNGSDT may lodge their appeal together with the grounds of appeal:
 - (vi) to the Court of Arbitration for Sports ('CAS') in Lausanne, Switzerland;
 - (vii) within twenty-one (21) days after the delivery of the decision (on or from the date of receipt of the decision); and
 - (viii) the Decision of the Court of Arbitration for Sports is final.

12. REPORTING

- (a) The Chair must submit an annual report to the Secretary General of the PNGOC prior to the close of the PNGOC Secretariat office at the conclusion of each calendar year.
- (b) The grant of extensions in relation to Clause 12 (a) is at the Secretary General's discretion, after consideration of the circumstances.
- (c) The Secretary General may request progress reports whenever necessary, notwithstanding clause 12 (a).

13. AGREEMENT

- (a) All Committee Members shall agree to the PNGOC's Member Undertaking.
- (b) These Terms of Reference (as in force from time to time), are binding on the Committee and each of the Committee Members.

14. CONFIDENTIALITY

(a) All Committee Members shall retain confidentiality at all times, in relation to the Committee's activities, which will include all discussions at meetings and information generated in documentation exchanged between the PNGOC and the Committee and Committee Members.

15. REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

- (a) These Terms of Reference shall be reviewed once during each Olympiad or as the Executive Committee considers necessary.
- (b) Any amendments to these Terms of Reference shall be agreed to by a majority vote by the Committee. Any amendments made in accordance with this clause will only come into force once they are ratified by the Executive Committee.
- (c) These Terms of Reference may be amended by the Executive Committee whenever necessary, as the circumstance before it deems fit, notwithstanding clauses 15(a) and (b).

16. INCONSISTENCIES WITH PNGOC CONSTITUTION

To the extent there is any inconsistencies between these Terms of Reference and the PNGOC Constitution, the PNGOC Constitution will prevail.

17. ACCESS TO TERMS OF REFERENCE

Copies of these Terms of Reference are available from the PNGOC Secretariat or from the PNGOC's website (www.pngolympic.com).

ADOPTED by the Executive Committee of the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee on 19 October 2016.

AMENDED on

B. JC Process Map



^{*}For Final Squad athletes. Final Team to be confirmed by NF closer to Games

APPLYING TO JUSTIFY A SPORT

Endorsed

Full compliance. All requirements have been met.

N.B. Ongoing monitoring of compliance leading up to Games

Endorsed

Not Yet Endorsed

Partial compliance. Only some requirements have been met.

JC may request Sport reapply for Justification once all requirements have been met. JC will fix time for full compliance e.g. 90 days.

One chance only.

Not Endorsed

Sport returns for Justification within time fixed by JC.

Jusfitication Committee may

Endorse or Not Endorse

Not Endorsed

Appeal to Sports Disputes Tribunal within 14 days of notification of decision

Sports Dispute Tribunal to hear appeal within 30 days of receiving appeal

Sports Disputes Tribunal may **Endorse** or Not Endorse

Appeal to Court of Arbitration for Sport within 14 days of notification of decision

APPLYING TO JUSTIFY A OFFICIAL

Endorsed

Full compliance. All requirements have been met.

N.B. Ongoing monitoring of compliance leading up to Games

Not Yet Endorsed

Partial compliance. Only some requirements have been met and/or more information required

JC may request Official's name be re-submitted once all requirements have been met. JC will fix time for full compliance e.g. 30 days.

One chance only.

Endorsec

Official's name returns for Justification within time fixed by JC

Jusfitication Committee may Endorse or Not Endorse

Not Endorsed

Appeal to Sports Disputes Tribunal within 14 days of notification of decision

Sports Dispute Tribunal to hear appeal within 30 days of receiving appeal

Sports Disputes Tribunal may **Endorse** or Not Endorse

Appeal to Court of Arbitration for Sport within 14 days of notification of decision

Not Endorsed

APPLYING TO JUSTIFY A

ATHLETE

Endorsed

Full compliance. All requirements have been met.

N.B. Ongoing monitoring of compliance leading up to Games

Not Yet Endorsed

Partial compliance. Only some requirements have been met and/or more information required

JC may request Athlete's name be re-submitted once all requirements have been met. JC will fix time for full compliance e.g. 60 days.

One chance only.

Endorsed

Athlete's name returns for Justification within time fixed by JC

Endorse or Not Endorse

Not Endorsed

Appeal to Sports Disputes Tribunal within 14 days of notification of decision

Sports Dispute Tribunal to hear appeal within 30 days of receiving appeal

Sports Disputes Tribunal may **Endorse** or Not Endorse

Appeal to Court of Arbitration for Sport within 14 days of notification of decision

Not Endorsed

Jusfitication Committee may



JUSTIFYING YOUR SPORT FORM

Ga	ımes:										
Sp	ort:										
Es	timated Te	am Size:									
1.	Please justif	fy why your Sp	ort should be part of Team PNG for the above stated Games:								
			bute to PNGOC's Games targets for the above stated Games? ance Standards)								
3.	Please confirm your own Sports target for this Games										
4.	How would	your federatio	on prioritise this Games on your NF calendar?								
	Priority	/ Expl	ain why this Games has been given this priority on your NF calendar								
	Low [
	Medium [
	High										

5.	Please confirm sources of funding for your Sport's preparations/ activities for this Games												
6.	Please tick if the following required documents are attached;												
	a. List of targeted Athletes;												
	b. \square List of targeted Officials;												
	c. Completed PNG NF Planning Form												
	d. \square Minutes of NF Executive Meeting endorsing the athletes & officials												
	e. Sports Specific Criteria.												
7.	NF Endorsement Please attach minutes of NF executive meeting endorsing the athletes and officials.												

-	Prepared by	NF Executive	NF Executive
Name:			
Position:			
Signature:			
Date:			



Officials' Nomination Form

Please complete and return to the PNGOC office by **[insert due date]**Ensure that all relevant documents are attached and copies of ID and 2 references are included.

Note: Candidates can NOT apply if they currently are part of a National Federation Executive.

CANDIDATE DETAILS

Position nominating for (number in preference 1, 2 & 3) Head coach Assistant coach Development coach **Team trainer Assistant manager** Manager Other position: Have you held a previous position in sport in PNG before? Yes No Give details: Why do you wish to nominate for this position in your chosen sport? **Qualifications:** Date of course: _____ Course provider: _____ Qualifications: Date of course: _____ Course provider: _____ Qualifications: Date of course: _____ Course provider: _____ Other Qualifications:

Previous Coach/Manager/Trainer	history
Position:	Team:
Year/s:	
Tournaments/ Events:	
Position:	Team:
Year/s:	
Tournaments/ Events:	
Position:	Team:
Year/s:	
Tournaments/ Events:	
Other Relevant Experience:	
Have you ever been removed from	m a position before? Yes No
If Yes, please explain:	
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Is it possible that you will be required to Coach/ Manage a relative in the team? Yes No

_	Are you related to member of the National Federation responsible for your chosen sport?												
No	Yes	If yes, provide name a	and position:										
	t is your fic Game	availability on a weeklyes?	y basis to perform your	duties leading into the	e 2015								
0-8H time	rs/week	8-12hrs/ week.	15+hrs/ week.	25+hrs/ week.	Full								
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Sign	ature: _												
Witn	ess:												
Sign	ature: _												
Nomi	nation app	proval by NF President:											

E. Team PNG Bio Data Form

Athletes Bio Data Form

PNG OLYMPIC COMMITTEE ATHLETE BIO DATA & UNIFORM SIZE

Sport:

Compiled by:

Date submitted to PNGOC:

No.	First Name (as appears on passport)	Family Name (as appears on passport)	Gender	Date of Birth (format to enter: dd/mm/yyyy)	Age	Passport No.	Passport Nationality	Date Issued (format to enter: dd/mm/yyyy)	Expiry Date	Passport Photo Submitted (Yes/No)	Passport Bio Page Submitted (Yes/No)	Height (cm)	Weigl (kg)
1													
2													
3													
4													
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		Uniform	(Sizes)					Sport			
N-	Tracksuit	Polo/ Shirts	Shorts	SI	hoes	Individu	ual Sport	Team Sport			
No.	Male sizes: XS - 4XL Female sizes: 10 -24				(US izes)	Event(s)	Personal Best/ Ranking	Position	Achievements	Other comments to justify selection	Games Target/s
1											
2	 										
3	 				<u> </u>						
4	1										
5											

		Information	n required fo	or Insurance Pu		Education and Employment History						
		Injury/III	ness	C	ontact Detai	ls	Highest					
No.	Location Based	Pre-Existing Injury/ Illness	Start Date	Phone (Landline)	Mobile	Email	Level of Education	Institute	Year	Employment Status		
1												
2						_						
3												
4												
5												

PNG OLYMPIC COMMITTEE OFFICIAL'S BIO DATA FORM

Sport:

Compiled by: Date submitted to

PNGOC:

		Family Name (as appears on passport)		Games	Gender	Date of Birth	Age	Passport Details					
No.	First Name (as appears on passport)		Position					Passport No.	Passport Nationality	Date Issued	Expiry Date	Passport Photo Submitted (Yes/No)	
1													
2													
3													
4													
5													

		Unifor	m (Siz	es)			Specific Details to Position										
	Tracksuit	racksuit Polo/Shirts Shorts Shoes Coach			Manager												
No.	Male sizes: XS - 4XL (UK Female sizes: 10 -24 Sizes)					Coaching Accreditation	Date Achieved	Coaching Experience	Description of Coaching Experience	Name of Comp, Location & Date	Professional Background	Previous management experience in sport_date & venue	Other Sport Experience (Coach/ Manager /Athlete)	Date	Venue/ Location		
1																	
2																	
3																	
4																	
5																	

No.	Information required for Insurance Purposes					
		Injury/Illness		Contact Details		
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1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

F. Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Who is responsible for the collating and compilation of JC requirements to justify my sport?
- A. The National Federation is responsible for the collection and compilation of all the requirements to justify the Sport.
- Q. Who is responsible for the collating and compilation of JC requirements to justify team officials for my sport?
- A. The National Federation is responsible for the collection and compilation of all the requirements to justify all Team Officials.
- Q. Who is responsible for the collating and compilation of JC requirements to justify athletes?
- A. The Team Manager is responsible for the collation and compilation of information and or requirements for the justification of athletes.

 In the case where the Team Manager has withdrawn or stood down, the Executives of the National Federation is responsible for the collating and submission of the JC requirements.
- Q. Can the Team Manager submit JC requirements without the endorsement of the National Federation?
- A. No. Every submission must be endorsed by the National Federation. This can be done through the signing of forms where the National Federation has to sign and also by way of including all the executives of the National Federation in emails.
- Q. If the JC Decision is not accepted, can I/ my sport appeal back to the JC?
- A. No. Any appeal after the JC decision has to be addressed to the Sports Disputes Tribunal (SDT). The PNGOC Secretariat should be copied in the submission to the SDT for tracking purposes.
- Q. Can the President or executive of the federation justify the selection of the athletes in the JC meeting?

- A. It is preferred for the endorsed coach/es to justify to the JC the selection of the athlete/s. Reason being that the coach has more interaction with the athletes during training and competition. The President and or another NF representative will also be in the meeting, and can contribute to the justification of athletes to the JC.
- Q. What happens if a member of the JC is also an executive of the Sport that is required to go through the JC process?
- A. The member will declare his/ her "Conflict of Interest" at the beginning of the JC meetings and will not be present (leave the meeting room) when the JC discussed and deliberates on the outcome of the meeting and reaches its decision.

The outcome will be shared with the member until the formal letter signed by the Chair of the JC is sent to the President or Chairman of the National Federation concerned.

- Q. What if Sports do not meet and submit all JC requirements by the deadline?
- A. As outlined in the new JC timeline, the JC will not entertain the submission and will not endorse the Sport/ Officials/ Athletes depending on what the documents are intended for. The JC may give an extension to the Sport, however, there will only be ONE extension.