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SIM card registration in Papua New Guinea

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Figure: Map of Papua New Guinea (source: geology.com)



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NOTICE OF THE MAKING OF REGULATIONS

THE Regulation set out in the table below have been made under the Law set out in the table.

Statutory Instrument No.	Citation or Nature
No. 7 of 2016	SIM Card Registration Regulation 2016

Figure: Front page of National Gazette No. 7 of 2016



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Deadline January 23 2018



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Deadline January 23 2018



Two photos: Customers queuing at Digicel stands at Vision City, Dec 2017 (source: Amanda Watson)



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Deadline January 23 2018
At deadline, extended to April 30



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PNG Council of Churches offered to help



Three photos: State-church partnership SIM card registration workshop, Saroa, Central Province, February 2018 (source: Amanda Watson)



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At deadline, extended to April 30

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Figure: Bryan Kramer after appearing at court (source: A Watson)



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On May 17, deadline extended to July 31



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Deadline July 31 2018



Two photos: Customers queuing at bmobile & Digicel stands at Vision City, July 31 2018 (source: Amanda Watson)



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Deactivation started in Port Moresby and other urban areas on August 1 2018. The country was from then divided into three kinds of geographies.

Dec 31 2018: deadline for district towns

April 30 2019: deadline for remaining areas



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In Feb 2019, the Ombudsman Commission commenced Supreme Court proceedings challenging the constitutionality of mandatory mobile phone SIM card registration over freedom of expression & right to privacy concerns.



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8/7/19: next mention

22/7/29: Attorney General formally became an
intervener



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