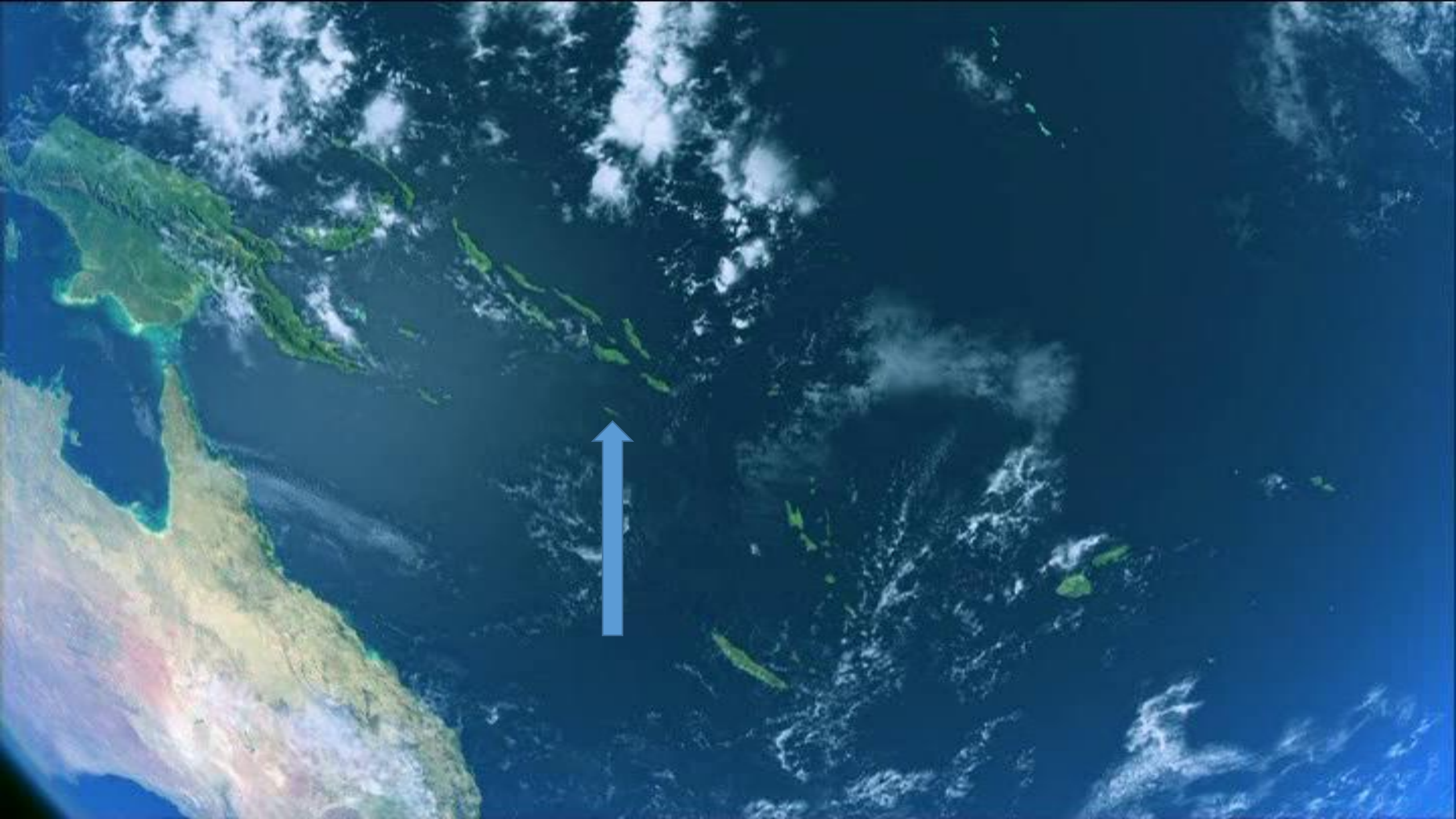




Greetings from Lake Tegano, East Rennell



PAPUA NEW
GUINEA

Rennell island lies approximately 250km south east of Guadalcanal

- 81,600ha
- The world Heritage site are comprises 34,100ha Including the 15,900ha Lake Tegano.
- Population: about 800

BOUGAINVILLE

Buala

Auki

MELANESIA

Honiara

Kirakira

SOLOMON
ISLANDS

Rennell

PACIFIC OCEAN

Solomon Sea

Coral Sea

VANUATU



East Rennell World Heritage Site.

- **Inscribed on the World Heritage list in 1998.**
- **Solomon Islands only World Heritage site**

- **Lake Tegano is the largest in the insular Pacific.**



- **Rennell island is the largest raised coral atoll in the world.**





East Rennell
World Heritage
Site -First
Natural World
Heritage
site under
customary
ownership.



Legend

Category of site

- Yellow diamond: Cultural site
- Green circle: Natural site
- Yellow-green circle: Mixed site

Site inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger

- Red diamond: Cultural site
- Red circle: Natural site
- Red-yellow circle: Mixed site

ANNEX 2: Map of World Heritage Marine Sites

● World Heritage site in Danger
 ● natural World Heritage site
 ● mixed cultural and natural World Heritage site



East Rennell world Heritage site of Outstanding universal values for humanity because;

- East Rennell is an important site for the science of island biogeography.
- Important stepping stone for evolution of species in western Pacific, especially birds
- East Rennell is a true natural Laboratory for scientific study
- Unmodified forest vegetation, habitat for species found only in East Rennell (bats, birds, snails), including endangered species.
- Lake Tegano, include sea snakes.

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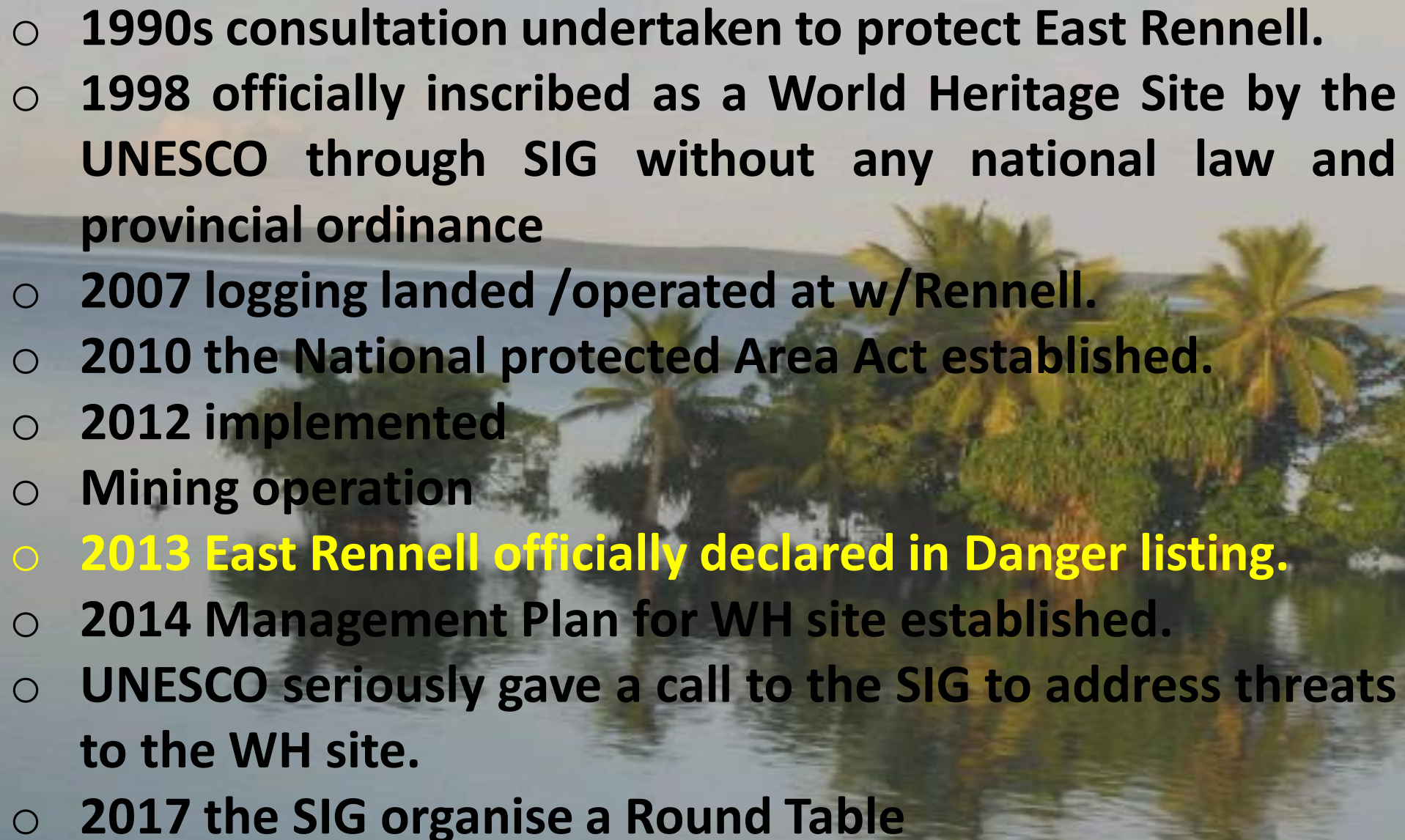






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- **1990s** consultation undertaken to protect East Rennell.
 - **1998** officially inscribed as a World Heritage Site by the UNESCO through SIG without any national law and provincial ordinance
 - **2007** logging landed /operated at w/Rennell.
 - **2010** the National protected Area Act established.
 - **2012** implemented
 - **Mining operation**
 - **2013 East Rennell officially declared in Danger listing.**
 - **2014** Management Plan for WH site established.
 - UNESCO seriously gave a call to the SIG to address threats to the WH site.
 - **2017** the SIG organise a Round Table

East Rennell In-Danger status

2013



Threat: 1

Logging



Threat: 2

Mining



New lake after extracting soil



Threat: 4

Invasive species (rats) and possibly giant African snail in the future



Threat: 5

**- Over- exploitation of resources
including coconut crab**

- marine resources

Threat: 6

- Climate change

Threat: 7

Human beings are the most Dangerous Invasive Species on Earth.



World Heritage List in Danger

- **Purpose: alert the international community that a World Heritage site is losing, or risking to lose, its Outstanding Universal Value**
- **Not a sanction, but system to attract attention for a conservation problem and mobilize (international) support**

A young child with dark hair and a serious expression is holding a large, hand-drawn sign in front of a body of water. The sign is made of light-colored cardboard and features the text "NO MINING LOGGING LAKE TEGANO" in bold, black, hand-drawn capital letters. The child is standing on a red boat. The background shows a calm lake with a forested shoreline under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The child is wearing a patterned garment, possibly a sarong or shorts, which is partially visible at the bottom of the frame.

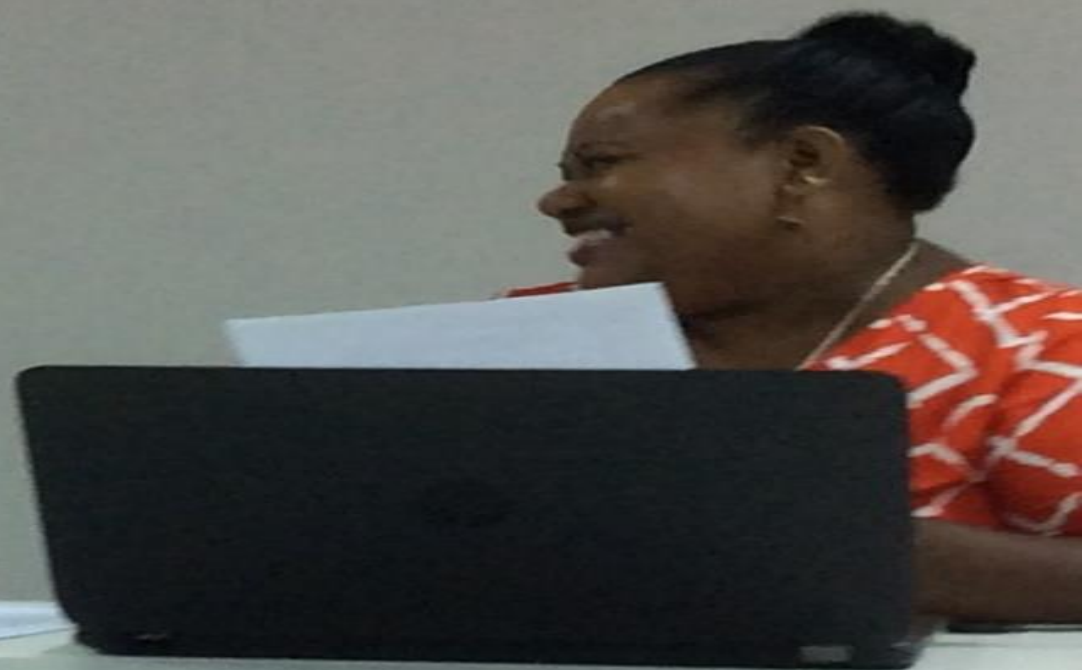
**NO MINING
LOGGING
LAKE TEGANO**



**“We are made wise not by
the recollection of our past,
but by the responsibility for
our future”**

-George Bernard Shaw

It is not the **strongest**
of the species that
survives, nor the most
intelligent that
survives. It is the one
that is the most
adaptable to change.





**Round Table meeting addressing, East Rennell
key outstanding issues**

Outcome of the Round Table meeting

- Developed mechanism for sustainable development as a way forward.

- SIG developed a cabinet paper

1. Upgrade roads (MID)

**2. Upgrade airstrip west Rennell (MID/
Aviation)**

**3. Ban logging licence to East Rennell.
(Forestry)**

4. Promote Eco- Tourism. (Tourism)

**5. Support to finalise our Management
Plan and office supplies. (MECDM)**

**6. National commission of UNESCO
(MEHRD)**

**7. Sustainable Livelihood project
underway**



Big thanks; DCC Govt, especially the MECDM stakeholders, NGOs for the commitment Resolution in the RT is a way Forward. Lets hold on, the BEST is yet to come.



- - **Staff - 10 committee members (volunteers)**
- - **No office**
- - **No Rangers**
- - **The previous committees set bad precedence.**
- - **No resources to mobilise committee.**
- - **No survey and Research on the site.**
- - **No scientific study**
- - **No Technical person on the site**
- - **Logging and mining activities**
- - **High expectation from LO**
- - **Remote**
- - **Very expensive**
- - **Internal issues**
- - **High pressure from mining/logging (stealing, over- exploitation, cross breeding (2030 there will be Indonesian village in Rennell)**
- - **Bank Account Balance = \$\$\$000.**

Lastly, we invite you to visit us.

**I believe this World is made up of
Partnership....**



Thank you



