

An online resource about political prisoners in West Papua.

Update on Political Prisoners in Papua

In brief

At the end of September 2016, there were at least 17 political prisoners in West Papua.

September 2016 Papuan Political Prisoners

No	Prisoner Name	Date Arrested	Charges	Sentence	Case	Accused of violence?	Concerns reported re legal process?	Prison/ Place of detention
1	Jemi Yermias Kapanai	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
2	Septinus Wonawoai	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
3	Rudi Otis Barangkea	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
4	Kornelius Woniana	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
5	Peneas Reri	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
6	Salmon Windesi	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison
7	Obeth Kayoi	1 February 2014	Articles 106, 108, 110 and Emergency Law 12/1951	3.5 years	Sasawa military raid arrests	Yes	Yes	Serui Prison

8	Oktovianus Warnares		Articles 106, 110, Emergency Law 12/1951	7 years	Biak flag- raising, 1 May commemora	Yes	Yes	Biak
9	Markus Sawias	-	Articles 106, 110, Emergency Law 12/1951	4 years	Biak flag- raising, 1 May commemora	Yes	Yes	Biak
10	George Syors Simyapen	1 May 2013	Articles 106, 110, Emergency Law 12/1951	4.5 years	Biak flag- raising, 1 May commemora	Yes	Yes	Biak
11	Isak Klaibin	30 April 2013	Articles 06, 107, 108, 110, 160 and 164	3 years and 6 months	Aimas 1 May commemora tion	No	Yes	Sorong
12	Jefri Wandikbo		Articles 340, 56, Law 8/1981	8 years	KNPB activist tortured in Jayapura	Yes	Yes	Abepura
13	Barnabas Mansoben	2 May 2016	Emergency Law 12/1951	2 years 1 month	Biak KNPB	Uncertain	Yes	Biak
14	Steven Itlay	5 April 2016	Article 106, 110 (2.1), 160		MSG Demo in Timika		Yes	Timika
15	Yus Wenda	5 April 2016	351 (1)	10 month	MSG Demo in Timika	Yes	Yes	Timika
16	Yanto Awerkion	Police investigatio n	106, 160		MSG Demo in Timika		Yes	Timika
17	Sem Ukago	Police investigatio n	106, 160		MSG Demo in Timika		Yes	Timika

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