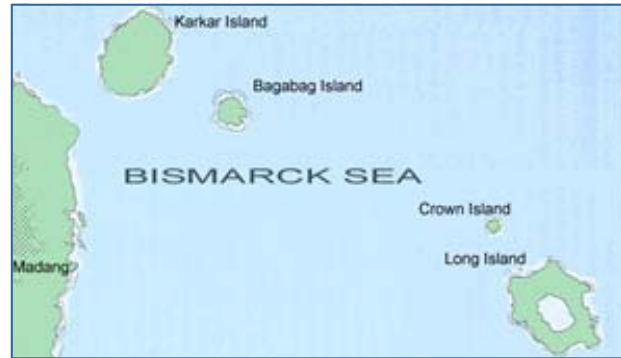


ACTIVITY: Diving

CASE: [GSAF 2000.05.07.a](#)

DATE: Sunday May 7, 2000

LOCATION: The attack took place in the Bismarck Sea off Long Island, 70 miles east of Madang, Papua New Guinea, and about 500 km (310 miles) north of Port Moresby. $5^{\circ}358S$, $147^{\circ}12E$



NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: He was an adult male, a local villager.

BACKGROUND

ENVIRONMENT: Long Island is a volcanic island; it last erupted in 1993. It is a distinctive triple volcano with calderas a half-kilometer deep. The island is surrounded by fringing and barrier reefs swept by nourishing currents.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: The man was diving on a reef just off the island.

TIME: "Late in the day"

INJURY: Fatal. The diver died of exsanguination not long after being bitten.

SPECIES INVOLVED: Not identified

NOTE: There were two incidents on Long Island this day, but they took place in different parts of the island.

SOURCES: Post Courier (PNG), May 9, 2000; Reuters (Sydney, Australia), May 10, 2000.