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Gizo police engage with communities during Christmas day in Western Province

Fifteen police officers from Gizo Police Station had visited five communities in Vella La Vella Island as part of the community engagement during festive season following request from chiefs and elders of each communities for police presence during Christmas day on 25 December 2018.

Provincial Police Commander (PPC) Western Province, Mathias Lenialu says, "The communities visited are Karaka, Iriqila, Vatoro, Leona and Varese."

PPC Lenialu says, "There were Police awareness on crime free festive season been conducted by these officers. During the visit five suspects were escorted under Police Custody. Three suspects were formally arrested for causing drunk and disorderly conduct during community activities on the Christmas day. The other two suspect were strongly warned for the damages of property. The complainant wish not to file a case against the two suspect. All suspects were from Karaka village at Vella La Vella Island."

Mr Lenialu says, "The chiefs and elders applauded the Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) for police presence during the Christmas day and the awareness talks which being conducted in each communities visited. A good number of people being present during community engagement."

"I would like to thank the chiefs and communities elders for their trust and confidence in the RSIPF for making requests for Police officers to visit their communities. Police will continue to work together with the communities as it is one of its core elements in Crime Prevention Strategy," says PPC Lenialu.

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