

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force Media Release

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RSIPF arrests and charges suspect for larceny by servant

Officers of Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) National Criminal Investigation Department (NCID) in Honiara have arrested and charged a 42-year-old female for two counts of larceny by servant on 15 August 2019.

It is alleged that on 20 and 31 of April 2017, the suspect who was a bank teller at the Bank South Pacific (BSP) in Honiara stole total cash of \$54,688.00 from the Naha SDA Primary School. It is alleged she took the cash and cheques when the head teacher at the School came to deposit the money into the school account at the Bank.

Supervising Director of NCID, Superintendent Patricia Leta explains: "The head teacher thought that the money was deposited into the School account. However, it was discovered that the alleged offender did not deposit the funds into the school account but retained it for her own use. She later deposited \$14,000.00 into the school account leaving \$40,688.00 outstanding."

"The matter was referred to the Fraud Squad within NCID for further investigation and the defendant was located and charged for two counts of larceny by servant. The suspect was released on strict bail conditions and will appear in court on 29 August 2019," says Superintendent Leta.

She adds: "I want to thank my investigators for their hard work in getting the matter before the court."

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