

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force

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RSIPF arrests nine suspects following alleged arson incident in Malaita Province

Officers of the Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) at Auki Police Station in Malaita Province have arrested nine suspects following an alleged arson and malicious damage incident at Masupa Village in East Are'are on 19 April 2020.

The nine suspects includes two female and seven male. It is alleged the suspects killed one live pig, burned one kitchen house and one semi-permanent dwelling house.

Supervising Provincial Police Commander (PPC) Malaita Province Superintendent William Foufaka says, "The suspects were arrested and appeared for mention on Tuesday 24th April 2020. They have been bailed and will reappear on 25 May 2020 at the Maka Magistrate Court tour."

"I appeal to both parties in the incident to refrain from taking the law into their own hands but allow the police to investigate the matter."

"I call on people around the Masupa area to come forward to police with any information that will assist in the investigation into the matter," says PPC Foufaka.

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