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RSIPF reminds public about Cyber Crimes

The Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) reminds everyone to remain safe whilst accessing the internet as there are many COVID-19 online scams operating worldwide. Some are from websites that advertise fake vaccines and cures, or some operating fraudulent COVID-19 charity drives.

RSIPF Cyber Safety Trainer Sergeant Noel Tahnimare says, "I am encouraging all Solomon Islanders to remain vigilant against the threat of cybercrime, as we need to look out for ourselves, our family and friends so that we can all stay safe whilst online."

Sergeant Tanimareh says, "The RSIPF Top Tips to protect individuals and businesses from being victimised are:

- Only talk to people on the internet that you know and trust
- Personal information should not be shared on the internet
- Set up secure privacy settings on all of your accounts
- Use a strong password, keep it private and change it regularly
- Don't open emails or links from people you don't know."

He adds; "The Cyber Safety Pasifika program is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police and the Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police to be proactive in preventing Cyber Crime in the Pacific Region. The program helps everyone in our community learn about technology, and how to stay safe whilst online."

"The RSIPF has 35 trained officers across all the provinces who can deliver a cyber-Safety Awareness presentation to their communities. Please contact RSIPF on email at RSIPF-cybersafety@rsipf.gov.sb or visit www.cybersafetypasifika.org for more information and tips including helpful factsheets on Using Technology, Staying safe and protecting your information," says Sergeant Tahnimare

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