Royal Solomon Islands Police Force

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Law Enforcement Agencies attend Advance Criminal Intel Course

A training course to build the intelligence ability of law enforcement agencies to allow for more effective inter-agency collaboration to combat criminal organised groups has got underway at the Royal Solomon Islands Police Headquarters at Rove in Honiara today(13 October 2020).

The training, funded by the Solomon Islands Police Development Program, (SIPDP) is being attended by 13 participants from RSIPF, Correctional Services Solomon Islands (CSSI), Immigration and Customs departments. It will be ran over four weeks.

Opening the Law Enforcement Advance Criminal Intelligence Course, RSIPF Deputy Commissioner (DC) National Security and Operation Support Ian Vaevaso says, "This course is the first of its kind in Solomon Islands involving all the key law enforcement agencies to build the intelligence ability of the agencies to enable them to work together to combat criminal organised groups, track criminal activities, and create crime strategies that will bring about prevention as well as effective responses."

"The Course builds on basic intelligence skills – developing strategic thinking. It aims to develop in-depth knowledge of what constitutes robust intelligence processes and how to ensure intelligence product is free from bias and based on well-founded facts."

"This joint training opportunity mirrors the need for interagency cooperation in the fight against crime, both in Solomon Islands and internationally. It offers an opportunity for participants to liaise with their counterparts from other agencies and identify ways the agencies can assist each other," DC Vaevaso explains.

He adds, "At the end of the Course, the participants will be required to complete a major exercise in syndicates to apply the strategies taught during the training."

DC Vaevaso thanked the SIPDP through the Program Commander Mark Ney and SIPDP advisors for putting together the training module and funding the Course.

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