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RSIPF commends members of the public for good behaviour during the by-elections

The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) commends members of the public for their great behaviour shown during last week's by-election including during the polling, counting of ballots and the declaration of the results that ended last night.

"I would like to thank members of the public in the Central Honiara Constituency (CHC) and North East Guadalcanal Constituency (NEGC) for the great behaviour shown until the last result from the by-election in Central Honiara was declared last night (21 November 2020)," says Assistant Commissioner (AC) National Capital and Crime Prevention Simpson Pogeava.

"I would also like to commend the hard work of RSIPF officers who were involved in by-election duties maintaining law and order especially during the polling day and counting of ballot papers."

"I would also like to acknowledge the officials of the Solomon Islands Electoral Commission (SIEC) who played an important role to address issues arising during the counting process," says AC Pogeava.

"We now have two newly-elected Members of Parliament to represent their people after the previous ones lost their seats in election petitions after the National General Election in April 2019"

"I once again appeal to all members of the public especially those in Central Honiara and North East Guadalcanal to respect each other and do not provoke and criticise one another in any way that will lead to any violence. We must continue to work together," AC Pogeava emphasises.

He adds, "With the RSIPF By-Election Operation now over police officers will continue with normal duties including performing random breath testing (RBT) and traffic checks to ensure the roads are safe for everyone. Officers will also be checking on vehicle and drivers' licenses. Police will take action against any overloading of vehicles. Always remember - do not drink and drive. Your safety is your responsibility and responsibility of every concerned member of the public."

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