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RSIPF charges 48-year-old male for indecent assault and sexual intercourse with 15-year-old girl

Officers of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force at the Sexual Assault Unit at the Rove Police Headquarters have arrested and charged a 48-year-old male person for Indecent Assault and Sexual Intercourse girl under 18-years on 29 January 2021.

An initial report say the 15-year-old victim in the incident is the niece of the defendant's wife living next to the defendant and his family at April Valley in East Honiara.

It is alleged that between January to December 2020, the defendant had sexual intercourse with the victim without her consent.

Police Commissioner Mostyn Mangau says, "The victim first disclosed the information about the incident to her aunty but nothing happened. The victim was not happy with her aunty so she further disclosed the information to her relatives who then reported the matter to police for investigation."

"The suspect has been arrested and dealt with. He has been charged for the offence of Indecent Assault contrary to section 138 of the Penal Code and five counts of sexual intercourse with a child under 18 years old."

Commissioner Mangau adds, "The suspect has been remanded at the Rove Correctional Centre and will appear in the Honiara Magistrate's Court on 15 February 2021."

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