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SIPDP program 4yr program ends on 30 June 2021

The Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services (MPNSCS), Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) and the Australian Federal Police (AFP)-Solomon Island Police Development Program (SIPDP) came together to acknowledge their friendship and cooperation as the SIPDP program ends on 30 June 2021.

The Executive teams from the MPNSCS, RSIPF and SIPDP gathered at an informal lunch at the Coral Sea Resort to share stories and remember former colleagues who also worked in support of the program over the last four years.

Not to be outdone by this event, staff from the Ministry, RSIPF and SIPDP also gathered at Rove Police Headquarters to enjoy a traditional BBQ and cutting of a cake to celebrate their achievements and congratulate each other on a job well done.

During the lunch, Minister of Police National Security and Correctional Services, Hon. Anthony Veke addressed the joint executive teams by thanking everyone for their hard work and dedication over the last four years.

Honourable Veke said, "I want to congratulate everyone for the great results that have been achieved during this program. We recognise and value this relationship. We are looking forward to continuing that same level of cooperation with a new and exciting program that is currently being considered for the future."

SIPDP Commander Paul Osborne thanked the Minister, Permanent Secretary Karen Galokale and RSIPF Commissioner Mostyn Mangau for their support advice and friendship throughout the life of the program.

Commander Osborn said, "Whilst it is obvious to everyone that the two police forces work successfully side by side because they wear uniforms on a daily basis and are visible to the community, it's important that we recognise the tireless work by the Ministry in support of the RSIPF and Solomon Islands community. The Ministry's guidance, support and advice have been instrumental in the success of this program, the leadership of the Minister, Permanent Secretary, the Commissioner RSIPF and the dedication of their staff has been a key reason for its success."

Until the new program of support is approved and formally announced by Australia and Solomon Islands, the SIPDP program will continue its support to the RSIPF.

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