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RSIPF responses to media article “Hon. Opposition leader warns commissioner of Police to thread carefully over the Suidani saga”

The Commissioner of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) wish to respond to the media article ‘Hon. Mathew Wale, Opposition leader warns Commissioner of Police to thread carefully over the Suidani saga’ that was published on 24 July 2021.

We must be very clear that the mandated role of Commissioner of police is very clear in the Constitution and the Police Act 2013. There is demarcation of powers between legislators, judiciary and the Executive Authorities.

Commissioner Mostyn Mangau says, “In the statement made by the opposition leader of possible arrest of Premier Suidani when return from overseas and allegations of a bribe being offered to the Premier in relation to the position taken by Malaita Province against the switch from Taiwan to China is not true. Police has not received or investigated any report against Premier Suidani on any allegation.

“Police has a mandated role to do their duties without any political interest or influence. Any issues investigated by police will be treated fairly and in accordance with the laws of this country,” says Commissioner Mangau.

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