

## Royal Solomon Islands Police Force Media Release

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## Police call on social media users to stop inciting posts that will cause division among our people

The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) is calling on the good people of Solomon Islands, especially those social media users to stop inciting posts that will create violence and will cause division among us.

The RSIPF made this call after a post went viral on social media targeting certain Province and its people during the current situation we faced.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Ms Juanita Matanga says do not resort to any means that will create violence among our people. Online users stop inciting violence posts. This is a crime whatever medium you use. Do not post online comments that encourage any crimes.

DC Matanga says, "I call on all citizens, including chiefs, elders, church leaders and all women, men and youth leaders to understand that we are one people despite different ethnic groups we come from. Let us continue to show respect for one another and maintain peace as we a Christian loving country."

Ms Matanga says, "We treat everyone as brothers and sisters though we come from different provinces. We are all one. We are so rich in one common Christian values and cultural ways of doing things. We are one united Solomon Islanders. Stop discriminating someone as we love and caring people."

She says, "Despite the current situation, which is connected with politics, the RSIPF is a neutral organisation. Our role is to ensure that there is peace and safety in our communities during this challenging time."

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