

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force Media Release

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Police appeal to leader of opposition to stop interfering investigation matters

The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) is appealing to the leader of opposition to stop interfering with police investigation.

Commissioner Mr. Mostyn Mangau says, "It is unfortunate that the leader of opposition Mr Mathew Wale attempted to question an ongoing investigation by police in the media. Issues raised by Honourable Wale are legal issues that are best dealt with by the court."

Commissioner Mangau says, "Your police RSIPF assures good Solomon Islanders that the police is an independent body and does not pursue political agendas. RSIPF will not engage in legal arguments in the media."

Mr Mangau says, "Police will not further comment on matters that are subject to ongoing investigations. A leader should not interfere with police investigations."

He says, "An accused will be provided with legal counsel and it is the duty of the legal counsel to advocate for the right of the accused in court."

It is important to note that we are currently under a State Public Emergency and the rules under the Emergency Powers (COVID-19 (No.3) regulation 2021.

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