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### **RSIPF charge a 15-year- old male suspect for stabbing his elder brother in Makira-Ulawa Province**

Officers of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) at Kirakira Police Station in Makira-Ulawa Province have charged a 15-year-old male suspect for allegedly stabbing his elder brother with pruning secateurs on 12 March 2022.

Provincial Police Commander (PPC) Makira Ulawa Province Superintendent Peter Sitai says, "According to a police report, the father and his three sons with two other boys were drinking homebrew known as island rum."

PPC Sitai says, "Whilst drinking, an argument broke out between the brothers. The elder brother (deceased) stepped in to try to stop them, but unfortunately the accused turned around and stabbed him."

Superintendent Sitai condemn such brutal incident and says, "such incident is uncalled for and I would like to appeal to leaders and fathers to be mindful of your actions as it sometimes lead to victimising the lives of innocent immediate family members."

Mr Sitai appeals to relatives to stay away from retaliation and allow police to continue with its investigations.

Members of the community in and around Marunga village who might have information to come forward and assist police with investigation.

The accused were charge for murder and will appear before Kirakira Principle Magistrates' Court on a later date.

Police Kirakira can be contacted on 50299 or 50266.

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