



# Royal Solomon Islands Police Force

## Media Release

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### **RAPPP delivers seven more vehicles to RSIPF**

Acting Commander of the Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF)-Australian Federal Police (AFP) Policing Partnership Program (RAPPP), Heath Davies, handed over seven new marked police vehicles to the RSIPF.

This is an addition to the six vehicles RAPPP recently delivered to the RSIPF with some more expected.

The Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Police National Security and Correctional Services (MPNSCS), Ms Karen Galokale, and the RSIPF Commissioner, Mostyn Mangau, received the vehicles on behalf of the government and the RSIPF during a brief ceremony at Rove Police Headquarters today.

The new police vehicles will assist the RSIPF address its vehicle fleet shortages. These much needed vehicles will help the RSIPF to respond to incidents and maintain its high visibility patrolling in the community.

RAPPP, which is a four-year partnership program between the RSIPF and AFP, is supporting RSIPF to be able to deliver policing services to Solomon Islands communities.

Since commencing in mid-2021, RAPPP has been supporting RSIPF in a number of areas including technical and advisory support to the RSIPF's forensics, investigations, national operations, infrastructure support, training, community engagement, health and spiritual development.

The vehicles are part of the RAPPP mobility plan to support the RSIPF with local solutions for fleet management and replacement.

Ms. Galokale said the support from RAPPP will no doubt boost the RSIPF mobility capability.

She said the ongoing support from RAPPP ensures the RSIPF remains resourced to service the community and respond to national security threats adding "again our friends from Australia deliver much needed operational assistance".

The MPNSCS's Permanent Secretary urged the RSIPF to use the vehicles according to their intended purpose.

RSIPF Commissioner, Mangau, thanked the AFP, through RAPPP, for its continuous support and friendship to the RSIPF.

“The ongoing support from RAPPP and AFP will ensure the RSIPF remains resourced to service the community and respond to national security threats,” Commissioner Mangau said.

Acting Commander, Davies, said RAPPP will continue to support the RSIPF to maintain and grow its capabilities.

“These vehicles will increase the operational vehicles for RSIPF frontline members to respond to policing matters and to conduct high visibility patrols,” the RAPPP Acting Commander said.

The AFP and RSIPF have been policing partners for many years and the AFP will continue to support RSIPF as it prepares for major upcoming events like the Pacific Games in 2023.

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