

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force

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AFP forensics expert shares experience, knowledge with RSIPF

Digital Forensic Operators of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) have had the opportunity to learn valuable skills from a visiting Australian Federal Police (AFP) Digital Forensic expert.

Mr. Chris Andrews used his short visit to the country to share his wealth of experience and knowledge in digital forensics with RSIPF Digital Forensic Operators within the Forensic Services Unit (FSU).

Digital Forensic is a new capability developed within the FSU, which will enable the RSIPF to identify, acquire, process, analyse and report on data stored electronically. Digital forensics support is crucial for law enforcement investigations.

Mr. Andrews was able to share his technical skills and knowledge on a wide range of areas relating to digital forensics including Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), guidelines, hands-on training, workflow including digital exhibit handling and software updates.

RSIPF Digital Forensic Operators have acknowledged Mr. Andrews for the opportunity given to them to learn from his expert work with the AFP.

"Such excellent training and expert advice sessions to local forensics cannot be sufficiently described in words," a spokesperson for the FSU said.

The spokesperson said the training and advice offered to them is proven to be a good investment for the RSIPF as is prepares for the Pacific Games in November and beyond.

The visit and support rendered by Mr. Andrews was made possible through the RSIPF-AFP Policing Partnership Program (RAPPP).

The AFP, through RAPPP, has provided significant support to the RSIPF Forensics since the program commenced in mid-2021 through the provision of training, equipment and technical advice across a number of forensic disciplines.

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