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### Honiara Police and SIAF Collaborate to Tackle Antisocial Behaviour Ahead of Elections

Honiara City Police has partnered with the Solomons' International Assistance Force (SIAF) for an operation to address growing concerns about antisocial behaviour and emerging crimes in the Honiara Central Business District.

Provincial Police Commander for Honiara City, Chief Supt. Jimson Robo, expressed gratitude to the Honiara City Operation Team for commencing the operation and to SIAF members for their support.

Honiara City Police Operation Manager, Insp. Tex Tafoa, highlighted the operation's significance in light of upcoming elections.

The operation was initiated as a result of information received from members of the public over the growing trend of antisocial behaviour in the city. The primary goal of the operation was to disrupt and deter such behaviour with focus on issues like pickpocketing and vandalism.

During the operation, RSIPF and SIAF members conducted patrols in areas identified as hotspots. These areas included, the Honiara Central Market Bus Stop and crossing, Town Council Bus Stop, White River Bus Stop, Point Cruz Street and Ports area.

Insp. Tafoa said they will increase their foot patrol operations as the election approaches and will continue to engage with the community.

SIAF Deputy Commissioner, Heath Davies, said that it is important to highlight the combined efforts from RSIPF and SIAF members who are working together to provide a safe and secure environment leading up to the elections.

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