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### **Gizo police arrests three suspects for unauthorised sale of liquor**

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) officers at Gizo Police Station have arrested three male suspects for illegally selling (black market) liquor in Gizo, Western Province.

Western Provincial Police Commander (PPC), Superintendent Wilkin Miriki, said the recent arrests come after community members provided information about this illegal activity.

“Concerned community members came forward to Gizo police and gave information about individuals who were believed to be selling alcohol and homebrew at their homes,” Superintendent Miriki said.

He said their officers on duty went straight to the suspects’ residence and arrested the suspects and also confiscated Sara products along with litres of homebrew.

The suspects were charged and released on principal bail. They will appear before the Western District Magistrate Court later this month.

“Raiding of this black market was made possible because of concerned community members who came forward with this information. I call on community leaders and members to inform police of such practices within your community,” Superintendent Miriki said.

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