

Royal Solomon Islands Police Force Media Release

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RSIPF attended an insight exchange with Chinese Police

On January 10, 2025, the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) officers attended an insight exchange program held by the China Police Liaison Team (CPLT) under the theme "Join Hands and Embrace Growth for a Shared Future."

The date (10th January) marks the Chinese People's Police Day in China, as 110—the emergency service number in China, the same as 999 in the Solomon Islands—has become a symbol of the Chinese police. It is observed annually in China to recognise the dedication of police in safeguarding national security and serving the people.

The event is also special for displaying photos and videos about the interaction between Chinese police and RSIPF and the achievements made by the two sides together, giving a general landscape of cooperation since the deployment of the first CPLT in January 2022.

During the event, CPLT Commissioner Mr. Liu Shenghuang introduced the history of Chinese police and brought in the Chinese motto of "people's police serve the people" and the slogan that "when in trouble, look for the people's police."

Such notions are demonstrated through videos about the Chinese police's interaction with people. CPLT Commissioner Liu explained that Chinese police are called "People's Police" for their highly valued commitment to serving the people.

RSIPF Commissioner Mr. Mostyn Mangau passed his festival wishes for Chinese police through Deputy Commissioner (DC) National Security and Operation Support (NSOS) of the RSIPF, Mr. Ian Vaevaso. He expressed appreciation for CPLT's contribution to RSIPF's capacity building and spoke highly of the friendship created between two people.

DC Vaevaso highlighted the shared feature of diversity that both countries have, the same responsibility of police to secure a safe environment for the people, the mutual goal for growth and development, and therefore the necessity of learning from each other.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Operation Ms. Juanita Matanga congratulated Chinese Police on their festival. She went on to share her observation and inspiration about China's policing practices, such as using tea culture as a means of mediation and

communication to solve disputes, which can be related to community policing and crime prevention.

Supervising Permanent Secretary (PS) of the Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services (MPNSCS), Mr. Hugo Hebala also praised CPLT for their collaborative efforts that fostered mutual understanding and respect between the two forces.

He is confident that the partnership will continue to flourish: "Let us continue to work together, sharing experiences and knowledge, to ensure a safer and more secure future for our respective countries and for the entire region."

Some attending officers exchanged views on their experience and takeaways from trainings in China, such as the management of cases and exhibits, punctuality and discipline, emphasis on technology, etc. They expect future interaction to bring them insights, inspiration, and improvement to better fulfil their responsibilities.

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The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) was established in 1954. Its mission is 'To provide a safe, secure and peaceful Solomon Islands'. The RSIPF strive to provide efficient, capable and responsive policing service and expect RSIPF officers to adhere to the RSIPF values.

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