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RSIPF investigates alleged scam scholarship scheme at SINU

Officers of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) at the Honiara Central Police Station are investigating an alleged scam scholarship scheme which has affected more than 20 students at the Solomon Islands National University (SINU) in Honiara.

Provincial Police Commander (PPC) of Honiara City, Chief Superintendent Stanley Riolo says, "My officers are investigating an alleged scam scholarship arrangement with more than 20 frustrated students of SINU turning up at the Honiara Central Police Station today (3 June 2019) to report the matter to police. The number of students who are victims of this alleged scam could increase as investigation progresses."

PPC Riolo adds: "The students claimed another SINU student allegedly asked them for \$1,500.00 as an upfront payment for a full scholarship package.

"The general public especially students, parent and guardians are reminded to be very mindful or careful when dealing with people asking for money as payment for such arrangements. Police is currently questioning a female student in connection with the matter," says PPC Riolo.

He says, "I encourage members of the public to come forward and report such matters to the police and not take the law into your own hands."

For more information contact your nearest police station, or call the Police National Communication Centre on phone number 23666, or the toll free line 999.

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