# **Royal Solomon Islands Police Force**

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## **RSIPF** arrest a murder suspect in Malaita Province

Officers of the Royal Solomon Island Police Force (RSIPF) at Auki in Malaita Province have arrested a male suspect in relation to the death of his wife at Kilufi Hospital on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Supervising Provincial Police Commander (PPC) Malaita Province, Inspector Charles Eddie Koto says, "Initial report stated that the suspect was under the influence of liquor when he arrived home and realized that his wife was not there."

Inspector Koto says, "The suspect left in search for her, took her home and beat her up till she was critically injured. The deceased was then rushed to Kilufi hospital and later pronounced dead."

PPC Koto says, "According to the report, before the deceased passed on she revealed to the nurses on duty that her husband beat her with a knife and an iron that caused her to sustain injuries on her head."

Mr Koto says, "My condolences to the immediate family of the deceased for losing one of their family members."

Inspector Koto says, "Police have arrested the suspect and remanded him to appear before the court at a later date while investigation is continuing."

"I want to appeal to our good families in Malaita Province to always think before you take any actions. Domestic Violence has high possibilities of resulting in losing life and women always become victims and deceased to it. SAY NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE," PPC Koto emphasizes.

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