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More Correctional Officers graduates

FORTY new Correctional officers have graduated last Friday and will become part of the Correctional Service of Solomon Islands work force after completing their 20 weeks of training.

The graduation was held at the Correctional Head Quarter, Rove witnessed by family members, invited guest and official from the CSSI



Group photo with the Official quest and CSSI Commissioner after the official program at the correctional Head quarter

Known as ‘Sir Peter Kenilorea Recruits 03/2019’, 26 of them are male and 14 are women.



Guest of Honour MPNS&CS Permanent Secretary Ms. Karen delivering her key note address

Speaking at the graduation ceremony, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services (MPNS&CS), MS Karen Qalokale said the graduation of 40 new Correctional Officers is significant as they prepare themselves for duties as Correctional officers

She congratulates the officers for successfully completing their 20 weeks of training which comprises of 27 units with 11 other essential areas of expertise.

“I wish to congratulate you for your hard work, perseverance and professionalism you have displayed during the 20 weeks of training, your successful completion of 27 units together with 11 other essential areas of expertise from other stakeholders, affirms your capabilities and potentials as loyal correctional officers”, says Qalokale.

She said she is proud to see 14 female officers are graduating among the men.



Guest of escorted to the dice for the general salute

“You have broken the barriers that our society thinks that CSSI is only for males. You undoubtedly face many challenges and I believe that you can do the work with much enthusiasm, vigor and competency as your male colleagues”. She said

Qalokale highlight that correctional officers play an essential role in any correctional facility and the criminal justice system.

She said precisely correctional officers from the foundation of today’s correctional institution

“As correctional officers take heart, your primary role in looking after the inmates is essential to human services professions. Accept the fact that you are good role models to the inmates, and you should be respectful and lead by examples to them, helping them to cope with the many challenges of life they encounter behind bars. The hallmark of any profession in the commitment to a robust code of ethics and to task expertise, Qalokale adds.

She encourages new recruits to uphold their integrity and professionalism in executing their responsibilities as correctional officers.



Recruit Charles Kimaere receive his dux award “Baton of Honour” from the Australian High Commissioner to Solomon Islands, His Excellency Dr. Lachlan Strahan

Your work ethics and goals must be guided by the vision and mission statements of CSSI. Do not work in fear or doubts or laziness but build your competency and confidence in yourself and use your best discretion to deal with various circumstances. Take pride in wearing your uniform, which symbolizes the values and virtues of the Correctional Service Solomon Islands.

Qalokale acknowledge the Australian Government through the High Commission to Solomon Islands Justice Program for its ongoing commitment and assistance towards the training of CSSI and the rehabilitation and reintegration programs.

She also thanked the prominent Faith Based Providers – Solomon Islands Christian Association (SICA) and Solomon Islands Full Gospel Association (SIFGA) for capacity development on spiritual rehabilitation programs for inmates as they established hope when they return to their communities, homes and to their families. Simply, they should prepare to reintegrate back to their communities



Sir Peter Kenilorea recruits

She commends the CSSI Commissioner and his officers for the commitment to your duties

Let us be vigilant to create a safe and professional working environment for our officers and those we are called to look after with strong determination, let us move our CSSI organization forward for the betterment of our country, Solomon Islands. She said

Commissioner Manelusi hails new officers



CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi delivered his remarks

CORRECTIONAL Service of Solomon Islands (CSSI) Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi has congratulated the Sir Peter Kenilorea Recruits for successfully completing the entry program and welcomed into the CSSI.

Speaking during the graduation ceremony on Friday 4th June 2021 Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi said, CSSI is committed to become a top tier front line public safety agency which undergoing transformational change and growth



Permanent Secretary MPNS&CS Ms. Karen Qalokale inspects the parade mounted by Sir Peter Kenilorea Recruits.

“It’s incredibly exciting time to join the CSSI as we all work together to make the community safe through our guiding principles of the CSSI mission, vision, goals and values of our strategic plan 2020-2022. I expect you to use these principles as a roadmap as we all continue to develop our culture and strive for the best practice as a regional class corrective service”, said Manelusi.

He added “I expect you to get serious in your two years probationary period, put your best effort into everything you do and I expect great things from each of you.



Recruits march off from the parade ground in front the CSSI headquarter.

“Don’t let your country, organization, family or yourself down but make us all proud and fly the Solomon Islands flag high and I know you can do it”.

The CSSI chief reiterate to the officers that the uniform they wear is a sign of authority and trust the government and people of Solomon Islands have on them,

Take pride in your uniform symbolizes pride in the CSSI organization.

Commissioner Manelusi also acknowledge the Guest of Honour, Permanent Secretary MPNS&CS, Australian High Commissioner to Solomon Islands His Excellency Dr. Lachlan Strahan, Family of late Sir Peter Kenilorea, DS's MPNSCS, and Media Personnel's, Other Distinguished Guest, Recruits Parent & Family Members, Ranks and Files of CSSI.

I thank you all to come and join CSSI families to witness our graduation ceremony today, without your support, commitment, dedication and team work we cannot reach this far.

The new 40 correctional officers will now join the CSSI on probation and will posted to various Correctional Centres across the country.

UNDP Heads of Program visits Rove Corrections.

The officials from United Nation Development Program (UNDP) has conducted a courtesy visit at Rove Central Correctional Centre (RCCC) recently, with a focus on gaining an understanding of some of the significant challenges faced in relation to capacity development, rehabilitation and re-integration and infrastructure matters.

This was made possible through an invitation by CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi for the UNDP Country manager Mr. Bardi Bardiyev, accompanied by his Access to Justice Project Manager Ms. Grace Kieman and Access to Justice Communications Specialist Mr. Jone Raquauqau



Group photo after team visit inside RCCC (L-R) RCCC Commandant, Supt Chris Bwekulyi, UNDP Justice Project Manager Ms. Grace Kieman, CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi, UNDP Country Manager Bardi Bardiyev, Supt Joe Goulolo and Supt Dereck Tenai



UNDP Country Manager Bardi Bardiyev, Justice Project Manager Grace Kieman chat with Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi and RCCC Commandant Supt Chris Bwekulyi

This has been the great opportunity for the UNDP Country Manager and UNDP Access to Justice Project manager and Communications Specialist to visit RCCC.

CSSI is presently like most agencies within Essential Services of the Government, very much struggling to meet Core Business responsibilities under existing reduced budgets including maintaining existing facilities and infrastructure arrangements, Rehabilitation and Reintegration and Capacity development for officers

CSSI is extremely grateful for the ongoing provisions of support that is provided by UNDP and supporting agencies, through existing agreements with the Solomon Island Government and supporting Ministries.



Group photo with the Medical Face Mask donated from the United Nation Development Program (UNDP)

The CSSI Commissioner & his Executives and Commandant RCCC & his Management were very grateful to have received the tremendous visit and the very close interest they had shown to the organisation.

Commissioner Manelusi do acknowledge and thank the UNDP Country Manager and Justice project Manager for donation of seven water tank and eleven Ctns of Medical Face Mask

CSSI will continue to strive to achieve its obligations despite challenges faced and will continue to improve, strengthen and implement positive changes as we progress the future of our organization together, said Manelusi

32 Correctional officers deploys to quarantine station

THIRTY-TWO correctional officers deploys to six quarantine station on June 14th 2021 through a successful consultation between NEOC and CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi to provide security assistance at the quarantine station

Correctional Service of Solomon Islands (CSSI) taking over duties and responsibilities from the Security Firm on Monday morning to maintain law and order to ensure the safety of occupation, communities and the people of Solomon Islands

ECC Coordinator Inspector Peter Tepani wish to thank the office of the National Disaster Management Office (NDMO) for collaboration with CSSI organisation

CSSI head heads to Makira-Ulawa



Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi

Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi and his delegation will leave Honiara for Kirakira tomorrow (today) on a one-day official visit to Kirakira Correctional Centre, Makira province

Before leaving tomorrow (today) Mr. Manelusi said in a morning conference that he will have his courtesy visit to Makira Provincial government, Hanuato'o Diocese, PPC Kirakira Police, Principle Magistrate Kirakira, Makira Ulawa Province, Kirakira Hospital and the Faith Based Provider

This visit marks the end to the Commissioner's first annual visit to the provincial correctional Centres

His second-round of annual visits will be confirmed at a later date

The Commissioner CSSI are yet to visit Tetere Correctional Centre and Rove Central Correctional Centre before he complete his first quarter 2021 annual visit to all correctional Centre's throughout the country.

Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi and his delegation are expected to return Honiara tomorrow on the 18th June 2021.



A group photo with CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi, Chief of Staff Supt Bernard Ramota and MUPG Executive staff after a courtesy visit with the Provincial Members & Executive.

Kirakira Corrections receives CSSI chief

Commissioner of the Correctional Service Solomon Islands (CSSI) Gabriel Manelusi was given an official welcome when he visited Kirakira Correctional Centre (KCC) in Makira, Ulawa Province on 17 June 2021.

A day visit to KCC by Commissioner was to inform and strategize his officers on the projection of KCC, as well as to see for himself the performance and professional standards of his officers and inmates.

He reiterates to staff on their capacity and capability development plan, restructuring and succession planning, rehabilitation and reintegration framework, the government redirection policy and the Corrections infrastructure develop plans.

Manelusi highlight to his officers the key priority areas and focuses that collaborates with the national government redirection policy.

He encourage the KCC management and his staff during the muster to maintain a high level of discipline and professionalism that displayed in honor of his official visit.



Photo (L-R) Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi, Diocesan Bishop Rt.Revd. Stanley Arthur Abuiand KCC Acting Commandant Mr. Michael Koroa after a courtesy visit.

Kirakira Corrections Supervising Commandant Staff Sergeant Michael Koroa thanked the Commissioner for his visit to the Centre and the moral support rendered by his Executive office.

Manelusi also made a courtesy visit to the following stakeholders; Makira /Ulawa Provincial Government, ACOM Diocese of Hanuato'o, PPC Makira Ulawa province, Kirakira Hospital and Faith Based providers to update them on the projection of Kirakira Correctional Centre.

During a courtesy call to the Provincial government, Commissioner Manelusi elaborate more on the relocation of Kirakira Correctional Centre and the rollout of the rehabilitation and reintegration programs.



Acting PPC Makira Ulawa province Inspector Jerry Muaki pose for a photo shot with Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi and his staff

“Our Correctional Centre’s needs to be developed and expanded so that it could cater for more developments as such, at Tetere Correctional Centre that holds the juvenile facility, female facility, community hall, church and more on agricultural sectors”, says Manelusi.

He told the Provincial government and stake holders to invest in the capacity development of inmates so that they become an asset in nation building upon their release into their communities.

“The rehabilitation of inmates is an integral part of the work of Correctional Service Solomon Islands”.

Commissioner also reach out to nearby communities in Kirakira as such Bauro, Tawane and Tarata-
rau as part of his community engagement and partnership.

Makira/Ulawa Provincial Government Executive, Hon Douglas Kuper thanked the CSSI Commissioner for his mutual confident and visits to the Province.

He assured the CSSI head that the Province will continue to render support to the work of CSSI in the Province.

CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi acknowledge and thank the Makira/Ulawa Provincial Government, Key Stakeholders and Communities for their support and prayers to Kirakira Corrections and CSSI as whole.

CSSI & RSIPF give Educational Awareness Talk.

Mothers union from the Saint Luke Church-Kia Parish Diocese of Isabel and Saint Barnabas Provincial Cathedral of the Anglican Church of Melanesian has benefited from the CSSI and RSIPF joint educational awareness talk, facilitated by CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi and Sgt Robert Malo of the National Crime Prevention Department of the RSIPF at the St. Barnabas Cathedral yesterday (Monday) in Honiara.

The joint educational awareness talk from CSSI and RSIPF presentation focus on Domestic Violence and drivers of crime that challenge our society today and how we together prevent it so that our nation can be safe place to live and work.

Speaking during the presentation Sgt Robert Malo from the National Crime prevention Department (NCPD) of RSIPF told the mothers the Family Protection Act 2014 objects are to ensure the safety of protection of all persons who experience or witness domestic violence and to facilitate the issue and enforcement of police safety notices and protection orders to stop domestic violence

Sgt Malo also elaborated on domestic violence, domestic relationship, types of domestic, victims of domestic violence, effects on the victims and children, effects on children and cycle of violence for the mothers

Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi reminded Kia and Saint Barnabas mothers union members to abide to the three sources of law in their Church Mission to their families, Wards, Province and Nation. That we must all adhered to the basics of the Divine Law (Holy Bible), Customary Law and the Constitution Law.



A group photo with CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi, Police officers and Kia Mu Mothers Union after the Educational talk



Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi delivered his presentation

A successful families, Wards, Province or Country are normally those who live and adhered to these three basic principles under the Grace of God.

Commissioner CSSI challenge the Saint Barnabas and Kia Mothers Union members that our Nation Solomon Islands needs us to fight against how we together prevent illegal behaviors in our respective families, Wards and Province, the root drivers of crime such as, family violence, issues affecting youth, alcohol and drugs, environment and resources and other emerging issues so that we grow our nation Solomon Islands in nation building safe and peaceful environment as we once called Happy Isle.



Sgt Robert Malo of RSIPF National Crime prevention Department delivered his presentation

Beside these our nation has been faced with COVID 19 pandemic globally which is extra challenge in our families, provinces and nation.

Mr. Manelusi informed Mothers Union members the behavioral changes in our villages, province and nations is a challenge, which we all need to stand strong collaboration together in our respective areas of

work that we have been entrusted to grow our children and our peoples individual needs whether counselling or advice to engage our young youth more on farming, small business, crafts, mat sewing etc. in our respective villages.

Commissioner also re-enforced to the members of the mothers union to redirect your leadership and mission during the challenge of COVID19 pandemic target our family homes in basic teaching of discipleship, mothering and the language you use must be a healing for our children and client that you deal with.



One of the mothers from Saint Barnabas Parish Mrs. Helen Reggie sharing her comments on Domestic Violence

Commissioner Manelusi thank the Archbishop of the Church of Melanesian and Diocesan bishops for Central Melanesian and Isabel for consent to allow this event to happen within the growth of the Church hoisted within Central Melanesian. He acknowledged the Leaders and the women's of St. Barnabas Cathedral/ Kia Mothers Union for jointly hosting this event with the powerful theme "Rebuilding hope and confidence in the midst of challenges of COVID 19 and invited CSSI and RSIPF to do presentation to this important event.

In responds to Commissioner, Kia MU representation Mrs. Annett Ofu acknowledge Commissioner Manelusi and Sgt Malo for the great educational awareness information for mothers and how we can share responsibility together.



Mrs. Annett Ofu sharing her comments on domestic Violence



The host church. St. Barnabas Cathedral action group



A group photo with CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi, Tetera Correction officers, Inmates and Kia Mu Mothers Union after a courtesy visit at the Tetera correctional Centre

Kia Mothers Visit Tetera inmates

Mothers union from the Saint Luke Church in Kia, Isabel were given the opportunity to share God's word with inmates at Tetera Correctional Centre, Guadalcanal plains recently

The mothers were on a mission to Honiara



Fr. Edward Hilly sharing the holy word of God for the inmates

In his sermon, Rector Fr. Edward Hilly encouraged inmates and Correctional Officers that there is only one perfect Savior Jesus Christ, who is always faithful with his promise

"That saviour loves you and he has a purpose for each of us and is always with us even though we go through trials and challenges" Hilly said.



TCC inmate sharing his Testimony

Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi delivered his remarks to the TCC inmates



CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi

CSSI Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi thank Hilly and Kia Mothers Union for their timely visit and message of encouragement

“The purpose of this kind of visit and fellowship is to share words of encouragement for both inmates and my officers” Manelusi said

“It is also for Mother’s Union Members to see themselves and have better understanding of it” He added



TCC Deputy Commandant and Chief Security escorted the Mothers to the Agricultural site

Manelusi encouraged the Mothers’ on their return to share with their young people in their communities how to live a good life and avoid ending up in place like Correctional Centres

Deputy Commandant Tetere Correctional Centre Inspector Charles Noli thank Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi for granted Kia Mothers Union to conduct their mission with TCC inmates successfully and also acknowledged Kia mothers for their hearts to visit inmates



Diocesan Bishop of Guadalcanal Bishop Benedict Loe ordained Sergeant Rukale as a Priest of the Church of Melanesia.

Correction Officer Ordained Priest

The Correctional Service Solomon Islands (CSSI) has further strengthened its link with the church through the ordination of one of its officer Sergeant Steven Rukale as Priesthood in the Church of Melanesia in North Guadalcanal on 24 June 2021.

The Ordination Service coincide with Saint John the Baptist Day at Koli Village in Ghaobata Parish.



Diocesan Bishop of Guadalcanal the Bishop Benedict Loe

Diocesan Bishop of Guadalcanal the Bishop Benedict Loe, Bishops Chaplain, Rev.Dr.Atkin Zaku and Clergies of the Parish officiated in the ordination service



Rev. Dr. Atkin Zaku told the congregation that we are here for only two things

Zaku in his sermon reminds ordained priest Sgt Rukale and congregations that “a priest must be without fault, a priest must be a serious believer, a priest must not be a drunker, a priest not be an arrogant and quick temper and a priest should not be greedy when it comes to money

Instead, he said a priest should be hospitable, Loving, Holy and self-control to uphold the truth about the gospel

“The sermon speaks well for today’s celebrations of St John the Baptist and the ordination of Priest Sergeant Steven Rukale”, Zaku said



CSSI Deputy Commissioner and Staff pose for a group photo with newly ordained Priest and Bishop after the service

Newly ordained Priest, Sergeant Steven Rukale says, “he was humbled and gave thanks and praise to the Almighty God for the gift of faith and for the gift of ordination.”



Newly ordained Priest, Sergeant Steven Rukale delivered his remarks

“The gift I received this morning is not for myself, but for serving the people of God and beloved Solomon Islands to help spread the message of peace in the church of God.” Rukale said

“The church is the people that officers of the CSSI serve,” He adds

“Being a Priesthood and Correctional Officer makes no difference, as both the church and Corrections work for peace.

Yet my ordination as a Priest will further strengthen the bonds between the Anglican Church of Melanesia and the CSSI.

“It will certainly broaden my interaction with the church congregation to be law abiding citizens when they serve God.”



Procession out from St John the Baptist Church led by the Servers

Sergeant Steven Rukale holds graduate Diploma in Theology and Sociology at the Bishop Patteson Theological College (BPTC) Extension,

He joined the CSSI in 2014 and promoted to the rank of sergeant in 2019 and currently posted at Tetera Correctional Centre as Coordinator for Commercial Enterprise.



CSSI Deputy Commissioner, Michael Nagu delivered his remarks after the service

Meanwhile, CSSI Deputy Commissioner, Michael Nagu thanked Bishop Loe, clergies, traditional leaders, elders, women and youth of Ghaobata Parish for their support to sergeant Rukale



Part of the crowd who witnessed the ordination ceremony of priest Sgt Rukale