



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

Two men charged under the False Information Act 2016

The Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr Christopher Pryde, has approved charges against two individuals who allegedly breached the False Information Act 2016.

The two, Saheem Ali and Eremase Bulivecena, have been charged with one count each of making a false representation in order to obtain a benefit contrary to section 4 (1) of the False Information Act 2016.

The two allegedly provided false information to a government representative and obtained a Vodafone M-Paisa Card for the Help for Homes Government initiative for those affected by Tropical Cyclone Winston.

The ODPP is currently reviewing evidence against a further 17 people and more charges are likely.

Under the False Information Act 2016 any person convicted could face sentences of a fine of \$20,000 or 10 years imprisonment or both.

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