



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

**Date:** 12 August 2016

**Name of matter:** State-v-Manasa Talala & Ors

### **Charges**

Manasa Talala, Seruvi Caqusau, Kelevi Sewatu, Penaia Drauna, Filise Vere, Viliame Vereivalu, Jona Davonu, Pita Matairavula and Senitiki Natakasavu are charged with rape contrary to section 207 of the Crimes Decree 2009.

In addition, Manasa Talala and Viliame Vereivalu are also charged with defeating the course of justice by instructing other police officers to make false statements.

### **Update:**

This matter was called for Mention at the Lautoka High Court today (12 August 2016) before Justice Aruna Aluthge.

All accused persons were present in court.

The State served a copy of additional Voir Dire disclosures.

The matter has been adjourned to 19 September 2016 for Voir Dire.

Bail has been extended to all accused persons.

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