



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

**Date:** 29 November 2017

**Name of Matter:** State-v-Ratu Inoke Tasere and Ors

**Name of Accused Persons:**

1. Ratu Inoke Tasere
2. Jimi Koroibete
3. Seru Kunalagi
4. Adi Cuvu Gavidu Atama
5. Ulaiasi Rabua Tuivono
6. Peniasi Naqau
7. Semi Tanikili
8. Ratu Osea Bolawaqatabu
9. Ratu Tevita Khaikhainabokolawale Makutu
10. Mosese Navaci
11. Eroni Rikoriko
12. Alifereti Nakuinivou
13. Alifereti Gonewai
14. Jorama Ratulevu

**Charges:** Two counts, each, of sedition under section 67 (1) (a) of the Crimes Act 2009.

### **Update**

This matter was called for Sentencing today (29.11.17) at the Lautoka High Court before Justice Sunil Sharma.

All accused persons were present in court.

All fourteen accused persons in this matter were charged with two counts each of sedition in relation to the Nadroga Navosa sovereign Christian state matter.

All accused persons were given custodial sentences of 2 years, 3 months and 11 days except Ulaiasi Rabua Tuivono who is a serving prisoner.

Ulaiasi Rabua Tuivono was sentenced to 2 years, 7 months and 11 days. He is to serve 16 months of this sentence consecutively to his existing term of imprisonment and the balance to be served concurrently.

All accused persons have 30 days to appeal their sentence.

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*NB: A copy of the Sentence has been uploaded to the ODPP website.*