



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

Date: 25 July 2015

Name of Matter: State-v-Laitia Nalawa

Name of Accused Person: Laitia Nalawa

Charges:

- First Count: Burglary contrary to section 312 (1) of the Crimes Decree.
- Second Count: Theft contrary to section 291(1) of the Crimes Decree.
- Third Count: Assault with intent to commit rape contrary to section 209 of the Crimes Decree.
- Fourth Count: Rape contrary to section 207 (1) and (2) (a) of the Crimes Decree.

Update:

This matter was called at the Nasinu Magistrates' Court today (25.07.15) before Magistrate Sufia Hamza.

All four counts were read to the accused and he informed the court that he understood the charges. Accused waived his right to counsel.

State made the following applications which were granted by the court:

- a) Matter to be transferred to High Court as Rape is an indictable offence;
- b) Interim name suppression orders of the complainant, and
- c) Accused to be remanded in custody.

Matter will be called for first mention in the High Court on 7. 8.2015.
Accused has been remanded in custody.

The media are reminded that suppression orders are in effect with regards to the identity of the victim which includes any details which may lead to identification of the victim. As this matter is now before the courts news reports should be confined to reporting on court proceedings only.

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