

ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

A police officer and a woman to appear in court for money laundering

The Acting Director of Public Prosecutions has charged a police officer and a woman for multiple counts of money laundering.

Sofia Khan, a former reconciliation officer at the ANZ bank is charged with eight counts fraudulent falsification of accounts and eight counts of money laundering. Jean Baleinabuli, a police officer, is charged with 20 counts of money laundering.

It is alleged that between 2 May 2022 and 13 February 2023, Sofia Khan fraudulently falsified multiple accounts and stole \$233,230.27 from ANZ which she laundered into her de facto partner, Jean Baleinabuli's ANZ account. The two then allegedly used this money to build and upgrade two houses in Nausori.

The two will be produced in custody at the Suva Magistrates' Court this afternoon.

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