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ODPP Celebrates International Women's Day

The DPP and male staff of the ODPP took the opportunity today to acknowledge and thank the many women within the ODPP, past and present, who have contributed to the growth and strength of the Office since its birth at Fiji's independence in 1970 when it consisted of a small group of eight men to the dynamic office it is today with a staff of 117, the majority of whom are women, many in senior leadership positions.

The DPP said: "On International Women's Day I not only wish to recognize the work of all the women at the ODPP who have helped shape our institution but to pay particular tribute to my predecessor, Nazhat Shameem Khan, on her achievement at being sworn in yesterday (7.3.22) as a deputy prosecutor for the International Criminal Court. This is a woman who has broken all glass ceilings she has ever encountered. I offer my congratulations to her and my gratitude to all women at the ODPP, past and present, on this International Women's Day."