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DPP welcomes two new ADPPs

The Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr Christopher Pryde, has announced the appointment of two new Assistant Directors of Public Prosecutions (ADPP) in the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP).

The two appointed are Dato Shyamala Alagendra from Malaysia and Dr Andrew Jack from New Zealand.

Ms Alagendra is an international lawyer with over 20 years of experience as a criminal lawyer. She was appointed as an International Prosecutor by the United Nations in East Timor. She was then appointed as a Prosecution Trial Lawyer at the Special Court for Sierra Leone where she successfully prosecuted military and rebel leaders, as well as the former President of Liberia, Charles Taylor. She has prosecuted and defended before the International Criminal Court (ICC) and other international tribunals and has also practiced at her legal firm in Kuala Lumpur.

In April 2014 Ms Alagendra was awarded the title of Dato by the Sultan of Perak (both the former Lord and King of Malaysia) for services to international law. This award is the equivalent to a Knighthood in the UK.

Dr Jack also comes with vast experience and knowledge as he has served 14 years in the Legal Section of the New Zealand Police with last five years as the Chief Legal Adviser. He was a Group Manager Legal and Advisory Services for

the New Zealand Customs Service and has also served as a Chief Censor for six years. Dr Jack has also been in private practice before deciding to take this new role in Fiji as an ADPP.

Ms Shyamala and Dr Jack join two other ADPPs; Mr Mosese Korovou and Mr Lee Burney, at the ODPP headquarters in Suva.

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NB: ADPPs picture attached below.



The two newly appointed Assistant Directors of Public Prosecutions Dato Shyamala Alagendra and Dr Andrew Jack at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.