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DPP CONSIDERS APPEAL IN JAMALU DIN CASE

The Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr. Christopher Pryde, has said that he intends to review a number of sentences handed down by the courts in Fiji recently with a view to appealing those decisions. He referred in particular to the Jamalu Din case in Lautoka where a suspended jail sentence was handed down on Monday (21.5.12) for a charge of attempted rape of a 12 year old boy.

"An appeal will be lodged against the sentence handed down in the Jamalu Din case. There are also a number of other cases such as aggravated robbery where suspended sentences have been handed down recently. These are also being considered for appeal," he said.

Mr Pryde added that the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions will be asking the Court of Appeal for a guideline judgment on suspended sentences.

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