

IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS MAGISTRATES' COURT
AT HONIARA
Criminal Case No. 1285 of 2018



REGINA
V
DAVIDSON IROOTA
BRIAN RAMO
KONAI WALE

16th July 2020

PM TAEBURI
NAQU (DPP)
RUSI (PSO)

Accused (IROOTA) appeared in custody
WOA for RAMO and WALE

Ct Police matter – it is now 10am – where are the police prosecution?
 The case is on the list – where are the police?
 Naqu, you can be excused – there are no more DPP cases left

[NAQU excused]

D/C I act for Konai Wale
 Pengalo acts for Brian Ramo
 Taedi acts for Davidson Iroota
 We have not received disclosures yet

Ct Check outside for the police (No police)

Iroota arraigned on 18/6/20 – D/C then Mr. Manebosa – Manebosa confirmed
received disclosures 10/6/20 – counsel Taedi now acts for Iroota – Taedi
should obtain disclosures from Manebosa

10:10am – still no appearance from police prosecution

10:15am – still no appearance from police prosecution

Earlier when the matter was called, I sent a police officer who accompanied prosecutor Naqu to go and check for the police prosecutors within the court vicinity twice – no police prosecutor around – now Naqu and the police officer have left – I had excused them

I sent Valerie (clerk of court) to check – no police prosecutor around court vicinity – only Mr. Tepakota – I was informed he is in trial in court 2 with PM Aulanga

The matter is called – it is listed – case was adjourned from 2/7/20 by DCM Iomea to today – Tepakota (PPS) was in court when the matter was adjourned to today – the prosecution were clearly informed of today's hearing – they failed to attend – no valid reasons for their non-appearance – Mr. Palmer (PPS) appeared before me this morning – he should deal with this matter then

It is now 10:20am still no prosecutor

I dismiss the cases against all three defendants under section 191 of the CPC for want of prosecution

Right to appeal within 14 days



Ms. Fatimah Meére Taeburi
Principal Magistrate