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**SOLOMON ISLANDS AND CHINA INITIAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON SECURITY  
COOPERATION**

Solomon Islands Ministers of Foreign Affairs and External Trade Hon Jeremiah Manele and Minister of Police and National Security and Correctional Services, the Hon Anthony Veke jointly announced that officials of Solomon Islands and the Peoples Republic of China have initialed elements of a bilateral Security Cooperation Framework between the two countries today.

The draft Framework Agreement will be cleaned up and await signatures of the two countries Foreign Ministers.

Solomon Islands reiterate that the Framework of Cooperation is to respond to Solomon Islands soft and hard domestic threats. Solomon Islands continue to roll out the implementation of its National Security Strategy and uphold its Foreign Policy of "Friends to all and enemies to none."

The country will work with all partners in providing a safe and secure nation where all people are able to co-exist peacefully.

Solomon Islands seeks greater security partnership with other partners and neighbours and once again express its deep gratitude and sincere appreciation to Australia, Papua New Guinea, New Zealand and Fiji for the presence of their Security Personnel in Solomon Islands.

We thank their respective governments and peoples for the service of their professionals whom we welcome and acknowledge with a thankful heart.

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