



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

P.O. Box G.10
Honiara
Solomon Islands.

OUR REF: FA7/2/23

YOUR REF:

DATE: 20 January 1987

Mr. John Smith,
C/- Honiara Hotel,
P.O.Box 4,
Honiara

Dear Sir,

I wish to inform you on instructions from the Minister for Foreign Affairs that he has had representation from the Australian High Commissioner concerning rumours perpetrated by you pertaining to threats you made against him and the British High Commissioner.

I wish to remind you that the High Commissioners' persons, families and premises are inviolable under the Solomon Islands Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities Act.No.16 of 1978. Further the Solomon Islands Government will afford all reasonable protection to the persons and premises of the High Commissioners and their families in accordance with its mandatory obligations under international law.

You are kindly requested to desist forthwith from making any further threats to the persons and premises of the High Commissioners and their families. You are reminded that threats or making threats is an offence chargeable under Section 237 of the Penal Code of the Solomon Islands.

Yours faithfully,

L.F. MISROS,
Assistant Secretary,
for Permanent Secretary/MFA

cc: Australian High Commissioner,
P.O.Box 589, Honiara