

IN THE MATTER OF

A complaint under s 74 of The Private Security Personnel and Private Investigators Act 2010 against
HARMON MARCELLUS MATILA UNASA

DECISION

- [1] Harmon Marcellus Matila Unasa holds a Certificate of Approval (COA) in the classes of Crowd Controller, Property Guard, Monitoring Officer, and Personal Security Guard that is valid until 7 July 2027. His COA was suspended on 4 May 2023 as a result of his failure to respond to the Authority after the Police laid a complaint against him.
- [2] The initial Police complaint against Mr Unasa was because he had been charged with assault with intent to injure. He has now pled guilty to that charge and is awaiting sentencing. The Police now advise that Mr Unasa is now facing further charges being kidnapping, theft ex-person, wounds with intent to cause grievous bodily harm (x3) and injures with intent to cause grievous bodily harm (x4). They also advise there is currently an active warrant for his arrest as he failed to appear in court.
- [3] Mr Unasa now has a conviction for an offence involving violence which is grounds for disqualification pursuant to s 62 of the Act. Given this and the other serious charges he is currently facing, pursuant to section 77(8) of the Act I consider it appropriate that a decision be made on the papers.
- [4] On 6 July Mr Unasa was provided with an opportunity to defend the complaint and/or ask that the matter be heard by way of hearing. Mr Unasa was directed to respond to the Authority by 19 July and advised that if he failed to engage, his COA would likely be cancelled.
- [5] Mr Unasa has not responded to the Authority's directions. Accordingly, I direct that his COA is cancelled, effective immediately. Mr Unasa must return his identification badge to the Authority immediately.
- [6] This decision is to be published on the Authority's website.

DATED at Wellington this 24th day of July 2023



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Deputy Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority