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## WARDENS ASSIGNED TO FILL VACANCIES AT HALAWA AND OCCC

HONOLULU – The appointment of former Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF) Warden Nolan Espinda as the Department of Public Safety Director left a vacancy at HCF.

Effective February 2, current Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) Warden Francis Sequeira will be temporarily reassigned as the Warden for HCF. Institutions Division Administrator Michael Hoffman will be temporarily reassigned to OCCC as the Warden.

"These men have extensive experience in the corrections and criminal justice field," said Public Safety Director Nolan Espinda. "I believe each of them will be able to contribute a great deal of knowledge and leadership in their assigned facilities".

Two of the big issues Mr. Hoffman will be tasked with at OCCC are finding innovative ways to curb overtime expenditures and coordinating the Department of Justice oversight of the mental health treatment program.

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