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MEDIA RELEASE

Men, 43, 46, Ordered to Stay Away from Girls Following Alleged Drugging, Sexually Assault

Two men, ages 43 and 46, were yesterday ordered to stay away from two teenage girls after appearing before the courts charged with allegedly drugging and sexually assaulting them.

In the first matter, a 43-year-old machine operator appeared virtually before a Princes Town Magistrate on Monday charged with one count of Sexual Penetration and two counts of Giving a Child a Dangerous Drug.

The accused, who pleaded not guilty, was placed on \$150,000 bail with a surety by Magistrate Taramatic Ramdass to cover all charges.

He was ordered to keep 100 metres away from the teenager.

According to an April 18th, 2023, police report the accused allegedly took a teenage girl to eat at a bar and to have a beer in February of this year. It is reported that the two later arrived at another bar where a similar act occurred, causing the girl to become intoxicated.

The girl, detectives were told, was taken to the man's house where he allegedly had sexual intercourse with her.

Following investigations, the suspect was arrested and charged on August 20th by WPC Quashie-Gay of the South-Western Division Child Protection Unit (CPU).

The accused will reappear before the court on September 19th, 2023, to answer to the charges.

In the second matter, a 46-year-old man PH Taxi Driver, who was charged with one count of Sexual Penetration and Inciting a Child to Engage in Sexual Activity, respectively, was also ordered to stay away from a teenage girl.

The accused pleaded not guilty and was placed on a \$100,000 bail with a surety by Magistrate Adrian Darmanie at the Chaguanas Magistrates' Court.

He was charged on August 19th by WPC Kassie, of the Central Division CPU, who investigated an April 22nd, 2021, police report in which a teenage girl reported to police that she was sexually assaulted by a man.

According to the girl, between the period June 1st and Dec 31st, 2020, she was asleep at home when the accused allegedly touched and rubbed her vagina.

On another occasion, the accused is alleged to have approached the girl while in the living room where he incited her to perform sexual acts to her.

He is also expected to appear before the court on September 18^{th} , 2023, to answer to the charges.

The investigations were supervised by Superintendent Claire Guy-Alleyne, Insps (Ag.) Jacob, Ramphal, Sgt Andrews, Cpl (Ag.) Thompson, of the Special Victims Department.

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