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MEDIA RELEASE

Stepmom, Uncle, Mother Among Four Arrested by CPU Officers

Four suspects are expected to appear before Rio Claro, San Fernando, Point Fortin and Scarborough Magistrates, today, after being nabbed for sexual offences against children.

In the first incident, a 24-year-old housewife was arrested by officers of the Eastern Division Child Protection Unit (CPU) on one count of abuse of position of trust and familial relationship and one count of sexual penetration of a child.

PC Mahabir of the Eastern Division CPU laid the charges against the accused who is expected to appear before a Rio Claro Magistrate to answer.

In another incident, a 37-year-old labourer, was arrested by officers of the Southern Division CPU on two counts of sexual penetration of a 10-year-old female victim, which is alleged to have occurred over a period of six months.

The male relative, who was charged by WPC Hull of the Southern Division CPU, is expected to answer to a San Fernando Magistrate today.

In the South Western Division, a 25-year-old man was arrested and charged for one count of sexual penetration of a 15-year-old female victim.

The proprietor, who was charged by W/Sgt. Charles of the South Western CPU, is expected to answer to a Point Fortin Magistrate today.

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In the Tobago Division, a 28-year-old woman, who was held while intoxicated in connection with a report of physical abuse to a two-year-old boy, has been charged for one count of wilfully assaulting a child.

The female relative was charged by WPC Ogiste-Charles of the Tobago Division CPU and is expected to appear before a Scarborough Magistrate today.

The investigators were assisted by W/Supt. (Ag) George and ASP Nowbutt and supervised by W/Insp (Ag) Francis and Insp. Roberts, W/ Sgts Bain-Keller and Morton.

While the CPU continues its resolve to fulfilling its mandate to protect the nation's children, it calls on parents and guardians to play a greater, more active role in ensuring their children's safety.

For further information in this regard, parents and guardians are urged to call the Child Protection Secretariat at 621-2588.

The CPU also encourages anyone with information on child abuse to report it to the nearest police station or contact the Children's Authority, toll free, 24-hour hotline at 996 or 800-2014.

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