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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### Man, 22, Charged with Murder of Police Officer

A 22-year-old man was remanded into custody yesterday after appearing before a Chaguanas Magistrate charged in connection with the 2019 death of police officer Nicholas Victor which occurred in Caroni on Christmas Eve.

**HEZRON D'ABREAU,** of Valencia Main Road, Valencia, was charged with murder on November 11<sup>th</sup> by Sgt (Ag.) Henry Smith of the Homicide Bureau of Investigations (HBI) Region Three, following advice received from Director of Public Prosecutions, Roger Gaspard, SC.

**D'ABREAU** will reappear before the court on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

According to police reports, on the night of December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019, a man was walking towards his parked vehicle in the parking lot of a supermarket located in Kelly Village, Caroni, when he was approached by two men. One of the men then allegedly shot and killed him. The assailants then fled the scene.

The deceased was later identified as 30-year-old Police Officer Nicholas Victor who was last attached to the Traffic and Highway Patrol Branch, Aranguez.

The officer was also robbed of his firearm and later succumbed to the injuries sustained.

Detectives at the HBI Region Three Office subsequently delved into the circumstances surrounding the death of Victor which led to the arrest of a suspect on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The suspect was detained by officers attached to the Central Division Police on outstanding warrants for failing to appear before the Arima Magistrates' Court for firearm offences.

The investigation was spearheaded by Superintendent (Ag.) Sean Dhillpaul, and supervised by Inspector Ian Rebeiro which Legal Advisor, PC Kyrn Lewis provided guidance during the course of investigations.

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