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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Cunupia Man Granted \$75000 for Fraud Related Offences

A Cunupia businessman has been granted bail in the sum of \$75,000 after being formally charged with obtaining goods by use of a dishonoured cheque.

**STEVE BALROOP,** appeared before Justice of the Peace Krishna Ramkissoon at the Cunupia Police Station on Thursday 15th May, 2025, where the bail was granted. He is scheduled to appear at the Chaguanas Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 26th June, 2025 to answer the charge.

The charge arises out of an incident reported by an establishment, which alleged that on May 29th, 2024, **BALROOP** purchased items valued at \$26,469.06. Payment for the goods was made via a cheque issued under the account of his business. The cheque, dated May 29th 2025, was deposited into the business account and later returned dishonoured due to insufficient funds.

Multiple attempts by the company to recover the outstanding funds were unsuccessful, prompting a report to the Fraud Squad. WPC Kennedy was assigned to investigate the matter.

Following enquiries, a team of officers led by W/Sgt Bailey, conducted an exercise in the Central Division and arrested the accused on Thursday 15th May, 2025.

After consultations with Senior Superintendent Micheal Jackman, Superintendent Lutchman, ASP Bisnath, and Legal Officer of the Fraud Squad, Sergeant Bassarath, directives were given to formally charge **BALROOP** with obtaining goods by use of a dishonoured cheque.

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