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## Men, 55, 63, Charged for Assaulting Spouses

Two men, ages 55 and 63, were granted bail after appearing virtually last Friday in separate matters before the Sangre Grande Magistrates' Court to answer to assault charges against their spouses.

In the first case, a 51-year-old Sangre Grande man was arrested by officers of the Eastern Division Gender-Based Violence Unit (GBVU) on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021, after five separate reports were made against him during the period of September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 to November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021. He was charged on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021, with five counts of assault by threats, two counts of assault by beating, and one count of malicious damage. He pleaded not guilty to all the charges and was granted \$275,000 bail with a surety and was ordered to stay 100 metres away from his spouse. He is scheduled to reappear on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

According to police reports, at 6 pm on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, the accused allegedly behaved in an aggressive manner toward a woman at a house after she refused to answer his questions about her whereabouts. He allegedly became angry and dealt her several blows to her head with his hands causing injuries. He also allegedly destroyed several of her belongings, valued at \$6,450 during the altercation, and threatened to kill her if she called the police. The woman reported the matter to the police and received medical attention at hospital.

The accused also allegedly came to her home on two occasions in September and another in October 2021 where he made threats to kill her. Police were told there were other similar matters that occurred. The matter was investigated by WPC Ramsaran.

In the second matter, a 63-year-old Salybia man was arrested by officers on November 28th, 2021, in relation to an incident that occurred on November 23rd, 2021. He was subsequently charged with possession of a weapon with intent and common assault on November 29th, 2021. He pleaded not guilty to the charges and was granted \$200,000 bail and ordered to stay 100 metres away from his spouse. He was also ordered to have no communication with her whatsoever. He is scheduled to reappear on May 6th, 2022.



According to police reports, at 7.30 pm on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, the accused, while intoxicated, allegedly had a disagreement with a woman at his home. He became angry and allegedly approached the woman and swung a piece of metal pipe at her. Police were also told that the man allegedly armed himself with a cutlass and threatened to kill her. A report was made to the Matura Police Station and investigations were conducted by WPC Farrier.

Both investigations were supervised by Supt (Ag.) Guy-Alleyne and W/Insp Bacchus.

The matters were heard by Magistrate Cheron Raphael.

## **Corporate Communications Unit**

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