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Men Remanded, Placed on Curfew on Alleged Kidnapping Charges Against Woman in Biche

One man was remanded into custody and another placed on a daily curfew by a Rio Claro Magistrate yesterday after appearing on joint kidnapping and false imprisonment charges against a woman.

The first suspect, a 28-year-old man, who is a male relative of the woman, was denied bail and remanded into custody.

The second suspect, an 18-year-old man, was granted \$350,000 bail with a surety and ordered to report to his local police station twice a week and adhere to an imposed daily curfew from 7 pm to 6 am.

The accused, who were also prohibited from communicating with the woman whatsoever, are expected to reappear virtually before Magistrate Ava Vandenberg-Bailey on October 17th to answer the charges.

They were arrested and jointly charged on September 19th with the offences by Cpl (Ag.) Ramlakhan, of the Biche Police Station (BPS), who launched an investigation into a police report in which a woman told detectives that she was taken and held against her will.

According to police reports, at 8.20 pm on September 18th, the woman was at her Biche home in her bedroom when two men armed with cutlasses entered.

The woman, police were told, became fearful when one of the men, who is a male relative, informed her that he was taking her to his home located in the area, without her consent.

She later managed to escape and lodged a report with the local police.

Police immediately responded to the scene and following further investigations, led by Sgt Narine, of the BPS, subsequently spotted one of the suspects in the area who allegedly began running away.

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