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MEDIA RELEASE

PH Driver, Mother Granted Bail for Physical and Sexual Assaults Against Boy and Girl

A 25-year-old man and 37-year-old woman were both granted bail for alleged physical and sexual assaults when they appeared before a Point Fortin and Crown Point Magistrate yesterday.

This follows investigations launched by the South Western and Tobago Division Child Protection Unit (CPU).

In the first incident, a 17-year-old girl reported to South Western CPU officers that she was allegedly sexually assaulted by a PH driver while travelling in a taxi in the Cap de Ville, Point Fortin area.

WPC Cruickshank launched a probe into the circumstances surrounding the victim's report which resulted in the man's arrest on Monday 27th July, 2020.

The PH driver of Cap de Ville, Point Fortin was charged with one count of indecent assault.

He appeared before the Point Fortin Magistrates' Virtual Court on Tuesday 28th July, 2020 where he was granted \$25,000 bail with surety and was ordered not to communicate with the victim directly or indirectly and to report to the Point Fortin Police Station every Tuesday.

In the second incident, a Tobago mother was granted \$75,000 bail or a \$19,000 cash alternative when she appeared before the Crown Point Virtual Court on Tuesday 28th July, 2020.

She was charged by PC Mitchell of the Tobago CPU with one count of cruelty to a child.

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The charge arose out of an incident in which the accused was said to have allegedly dealt her son a stab to his groin area with a kitchen knife.

According to the 17-year-old boy, the attack occurred during an argument with his mother.

The 37-year-old mother of Bagatelle, Scarborough was subsequently arrested and charged on Saturday 25th July, 2020.

Both matters were adjourned to Tuesday 25th August, 2020.

Investigations were spearheaded W/Supt (Ag) George, ASP (Ag) Sookdeo and supervised by W/Insp (Ag) Bain-Keller of the CPU.

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