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MEDIA RELEASE

PH taxi driver granted \$150,000 bail on charge of raping Venezuelan

A PH taxi driver of Carapichaima has been granted \$150,000 bail with a surety and two others remanded into custody for the alleged rape of a Venezuelan woman in October 2020.

JOSHUA RAMLAKHAN, 22, a PH taxi driver and **TERRENCE ROBINSON**, 28, a landscaper, of Gosine Street, Bank Village, Carapichaima, along with **JOEL WILLIAMS**, 28, a mechanic, of Gorahoo Trace, Chase Village, appeared before Magistrate Adrian Darmanie at the Chaguanas Magistrates' Court on April 19th.

The three were arrested and charged on April 18th for the offence of rape by PC Ramcharan of the Freeport Police Station.

The three men were not called upon to plead as it is an indictable offence. **RAMLAKHAN** was granted \$150,000 bail with a surety and a curfew which commences at 9 pm to 6 am every day. **ROBINSON** and **WILLIAMS** were both remanded into custody.

The three are expected to reappear before the court on May 17th, 2021.

A Venezuelan woman told police that on October 13th, 2020, she boarded a PH taxi with two other male passengers at Isaac Junction, Couva, and asked to be taken to Freeport.

She was instead allegedly taken to a room in a pavilion at Carapichaima where the three men had sexual intercourse with her against her will. They then left her there and made good their escape.

The woman later made her way to the Freeport Police Station where she made a report.

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