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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **Watchman Given \$350k Bail for Kidnapping, Grievous Sexual Assault Charges**

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A 35-year-old watchman was granted bail with a surety in the sum of \$350,000 when he appeared before Magistrate Maureen Baboolal- Gafoor at the Port of Spain Magistrates' Court on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January, after he was charged with Kidnapping, Sexual Touching, False Imprisonment, Serious Indecency, and Grievous Sexual Assault.

As part of the bail condition, the accused must not have any communication with the victim. He is to stay at least 40 feet from the victim and must report three times a week to the police station. The accused has also been placed on an 8pm to 5am curfew.

He is expected to reappear in court on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

Police reports stated that on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, at around 11.30am, a woman entered a private taxi in Carenage, driven by a man known to her and requested to be taken to Big Yard. Upon arrival at Big Yard, the driver did not stop, instead he continued driving along the Western Main Road towards Chaguaramas. On reaching Skallywag Bay, Chaguaramas carpark, it's alleged that the driver stopped the vehicle, pulled the head of the woman and demanded she perform various sexual acts.

The matter was reported to the Carenage Police Station and officers of the Special Victim Department investigated the matter, which led to the arrest of the suspect on the 25<sup>th</sup> January and subsequent charge on the 28<sup>th</sup> January.

Charges were laid by PC Frederick.

The investigation was supervised by Senior Superintendent Claire – Guy Alleyne, ASP Seecharan and Sergeant Cedeno – Figaro, Inspector Simmons and Ag. Sergeant Ray.

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