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Man, 63, Charged with Breach of Protection Order

A Tunapuna man was granted own bail in the sum of \$10,000 when he appeared virtually before a Magistrate this week, to answer to a charge of the Breach of an Interim Protection Order.

LANCE JOSEPH, 63, of Auzonville Court, was charged with the offence, when he appeared before Magistrate Nalini Singh, on Monday 7th September, 2020.

He pleaded not guilty to the charge, was granted bail, and the matter adjourned to November 18th 2020.

A female victim told police that on May 18th 2020, she had obtained an interim protection order against the accused. The order was valid for a 21-day period and expected to expire on June 8th 2020. The order prohibited and restrained the accused from engaging or threatening to engage in conduct that amounts to domestic violence against the applicant.

The victim alleged that on May 29th 2020, she was at the Tunapuna Police Station when the accused uttered certain words to her.

A report of the incident was made to the Northern Division's Gender-Based Violence Unit (ND-GBVU), and an investigator was appointed.

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Efforts to locate the accused at that time proved futile, however on Sunday 6th September, 2020, he was found by investigators and subsequently was charged with the offence.

Investigations were spearheaded by W/Supt. Claire Guy-Alleyne and supervised by Insp. Stanley and W/Cpl Edwards.

The charge was laid by WPC Scott of the ND-GBVU.

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