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MEDIA RELEASE

Prisons officer granted \$80,000 Bail for Marijuana possession

A Prisons Officer was granted bail in the sum of \$80,000 with a surety when he appeared before Magistrate Maureen Baboolal-Gafoor at the Port of Spain Magistrates' Court yesterday, Monday 12th July, 2021.

MARK MAHARAJ, 36 of Jerninghamman Avenue, Cunupia, was charged with possession of marijuana and bringing a dangerous drug into the prison on 11th July, 2021. He was instructed to surrender his expired passport to the Court Registrar and not to apply for a new passport. He is also required to report to the Cunupia Police Station every Tuesday and Thursday between 6 am and 6 pm.

MAHARAJ was arrested and charged after a routine search at the Port of Spain Prison. During the search, four packets of marijuana with a combined weight of one kilogram were allegedly found on the officer.

MAHARAJ is expected to reappear at the Port of Spain Magistrates' Court on the Monday 9th August, 2021, to answer to the charges.

Investigations were conducted by officers of the Cybercrime Unit, Special Investigations Unit, and the Port of Spain Criminal Investigation Department (CID).

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