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MEDIA RELEASE

7 Illegal Venezuelans Fined \$14K for Illegal Entry

Six Venezuelan women who were among a group of seven immigrants who pleaded last Wednesday to entering the country illegally were each fined \$2,000 by a San Fernando Magistrate.

The group – **MAURICIO JESUS AREYAN** (lone male), **ATHENA SARAI'S PEREZ FARIAS**, **ASTRID ANGEXIX LEAF RODRIGUEZ**, **ADRIANGELA JOSEFINA CARACALLA VALDERR**, **JOSE MERRY COROMOTO AREYAN MUNOZ**, **KARINA DE CARMEN RAMOS CONDEA** and **STHEFANI SARAI'S PEREZ FARIAS** – was given 30 days to pay the fine or, in default, serve two months' simple imprisonment.

They were arrested during an overnight intelligence-led exercise on March 8th by officers of the Immigration Investigations, South.

According to police reports, during the period 9 am to 3 pm on Tuesday 7th March, 2023, and 10 am to 2 pm on Wednesday 8th March, 2023, an exercise was conducted in several locations in the southern peninsula during which several Venezuelans were arrested as they were all found to have entered the country illegally.

They were all processed at the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Heliport Detention Facility, Chaguaramas.

The exercise is an ongoing initiative of the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service's Immigration Investigations Unit of the Criminal Investigations Department and Criminal Records Office.

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