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MEDIA RELEASE

Diego Martin Liquor Mart Director Charged with Over \$86K Fraud

A Diego Martin liquor mart director was granted \$70,000 bail with a surety by a Justice of the Peace on three counts of obtaining property by use of dishonoured cheques totaling \$86,137.71.

FRANK MARTINEAU, 72, Cameron Road, Petit Valley, was charged with the offences by WPC Gowrie of the Fraud Squad following a police report in which detectives were told that a man allegedly tendered three cheques to a beer company for payments for supplies during December 7th to 17th, 2021.

According to police reports, the cheques represented three payments of \$37,098.23, \$24,709.55 and \$24,329.93.

The beer company attempted to have the director honour the payments however same proved futile.

On December, 15th, 2022, after consultation with Supt Reuben and Legal Officer, Sgt Bassarath, WPC Gowrie charged the accused with three counts of obtaining property by use of dishonoured cheques totalling \$86,137.71.

The suspect arrested and conveyed to the St James Police Station, where he was granted bail to cover all charges on the condition that he appear virtually at the Port-of-Spain Magistrates' Court on January 30th, 2023.

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