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MEDIA RELEASE

43 Fined \$10,000 each for Gathering at Valsayn party

Forty-three persons who were charged with gathering in a group exceeding five persons, pleaded guilty today to the charge. Each of them was fined \$10,000 with five months allowed to pay, or one-month simple imprisonment.

The 43 were part of a group of 50 persons who appeared virtually before Magistrate Indra Ramoo-Haynes today after they were arrested and charged yesterday, Sunday 15th August, 2021.

Fined were 25 Venezuelan woman, eight Venezuelan men, and ten local men.

Four local men and three Venezuelan women pleaded not guilty to the charge and their matters were postponed to Wednesday 8th September, 2021.

The group was arrested during a party at a house in Real Spring, Valsayn, for breach of Public Health Regulations and gathering in excess of five persons. The arrests occurred during an exercise which was conducted between the hours of 10 pm on Saturday 14th August, 2021 and 2:30 am on Sunday 15th August, 2021.

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