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CPU Officers Arrest Man for Cruelty to a Child, Assault by Beating

A 42-year-old man is expected to appear before a Port-of-Spain Magistrate today, Tuesday 5th May, 2020 to answer to charges of two counts of cruelty to a child, and one count of assault by beating.

This follows a joint investigation by officers of the Gender Based Violence Unit (GBVU) and the Child Protection Unit (CPU) into an incident involving a report of child abuse on Saturday 2nd May, 2020.

It is alleged that the suspect entered a bedroom of the home in which the victims were situated after which a quarrel ensued. The man reportedly became violent, causing the victims to contact the police.

A joint investigation, spearheaded by W/Supt George and ASP Nowbutt, supervised by Insp Andrews was immediately launched and concluded with the arrest and charges to the suspect by WPC Mylan-Bostic of the Port-of-Spain CPU.

This latest case brings to total 58 persons charged for crimes against children contrary to the Children's Act 46:01 for 2020.

The GBVU was launched on January 21st, 2020 by Commissioner of Police, Gary Griffith, to address and handle cases of gender-based and domestic violence in Trinidad and Tobago.

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