



**THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
“To Protect and Serve”  
**Office of the Commissioner**

**VIPD NEWS RELEASE - 050523-145**  
**For Immediate Media Distribution**

---

May 5, 2023

**Alleged Fraudulent Use of Multiple Credit Cards Leads to 38-year-old Man’s Arrest**

**St. Croix, USVI** - On May 3, 2023, detectives from the Economic Crimes Unit initiated an investigation into Yey Castillo Tejada. The investigation revealed that on April 29, 2023, Yey Castillo Tejada used several credit cards fraudulently on three different occasions to obtain merchandise from Carlos Furniture, totaling \$16,097.00 without the individuals’ permission.

On May 4, 2023, at approximately 12:57 p.m., detectives from the Virgin Islands Police Department’s Economic Crimes Unit and Marine Unit were present at the Morena’s Place Restaurant and Night Bar, where Yey Castillo Tejada was placed under arrest, without incident. Yey Castillo Tejada, 38 years of age, was charged with Grand Larceny, Obtaining Money by False Pretense, Acting in Assumed Character, Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card, and Access to Computer for Fraudulent Purposes.

Yey Castillo Tejada was transported to the Wilbur H. Francis Police Operation Building in Frederiksted, where he was processed and booked. Bail was set at \$20,000.00, for the alleged crimes. Unable to post bail Castillo Tejada was remanded to John A. Bell Adult Correctional Facility, pending Advice of Rights Hearing.

**- END -**