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Charges Laid in Connection to Crash That Killed 27-Year-Old Woman

St. Croix, USVI-On April 23, 2022, the Traffic Investigation Bureau (TIB) was notified at 3:55a.m., to travel to Northside Road in the vicinity of Blues’ Barbecue Bar & Grill in Princesse, Christiansted to investigate a two-vehicle collision.

Upon arrival on the scene, Traffic Investigation Bureau detectives observed both vehicles in the northwest bound lane in a head-on collision.

The preliminary investigation by TIB indicated vehicle one, a silver 2011 Toyota Rav4 was heading northwest on Northside Road. The evidence also indicated that vehicle two, a grey 2003 GMC Envoy was heading eastbound and at some point, entered the westbound lane and collided with the 2011 Toyota Rav 4 head-on causing disabling damage to both vehicles. Two of the three passengers in the collision were transported to the Juan F. Luis Hospital for treatment.

The preliminary investigation indicated that the drivers and passengers were NOT wearing their safety belt at the time of the crash.

The Emergency Medical Technicians were unable to find any signs of life to the driver of the 2011 Toyota Rav 4 and was pronounced dead on the scene.

The driver was identified by next of kin as 27-year-old Jahniqua Williams.

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On June 30, 2023, 40-year-old Rossille Delande was served with an arrest warrant by the Traffic Investigations Bureau Detectives.

Delande was arrested and charged with Negligent Homicide by Means of a Vehicle, Reckless Endangerment, and Involuntary Manslaughter.

The Traffic Investigations Bureau Detectives conducted an investigation into the crash that occurred April 23, 2023, on the North Side Road in the vicinity of Blues BBQ, in Princesse, Christiansted.

After identifying the elements of the crime as prescribed by the VI Code, the Detectives drafted a sworn affidavit and presented it to the Attorney General's office and Superior of the Virgin Islands.

As a result, the Magistrate issued an arrest warrant.

The bail was set at \$50,000.

Ms. Delande posted bail and was released pending her advice of rights hearing.

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