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## VIPD and JOINT LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE, ARREST FUGITIVE WANTED FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER IN CALIFORNIA

**St. Croix, USVI** - On December 5, 2022, DEA-(Drug Enforcement Agency), HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas) received a request from the Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force of Sacramento, California, in locating a wanted fugitive identified as Leslie Christopher Rogers. This wanted fugitive was suspected to be on the island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. Rogers, 30 years old was wanted for Attempted Murder and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon. On April 4, 2022, an arrest warrant was issued by the Sacramento Superior and Municipal Court with full extradition, in the County of Sacramento, California.

VIPD Detectives from the DEA, HIDTA Task Force, VIPD-RIT(Rapid Intervention Team), VIPD-SOB (Special Operation Bureau), VIPD-Marine Unit and U.S. Marshal Service were able to identify and locate Mr. Rogers at #136 Estate Diamond, Frederiksted.

On December 6, 2022, at 5:55p.m., VIPD Officers and U.S. Marshal Service executed the arrest warrant on Mr. Rogers at #136 Diamond, Frederiksted without any incident. No bail was set as per the arrest warrant, and Mr. Rogers was booked and remanded to the John C. Bell Correctional Facility pending his initial appearance.

VIPD St. Croix District Chief Sean Santos stated, "I'm glad to see that we were able to extend a helping hand to our counterparts on the mainland. This joint operation shows that law enforcement locally, federally and throughout the mainland do work together and it doesn't matter where you are, we will work together to bring wanted fugitives to justice," Chief Santos concluded.

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