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MAN ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED ROBBERY IN THE FIRST DEGREE

St. Thomas, USVI- On December 11, 2022, at approximately 2:21 p.m., the Caribbean Cinemas' manager reported an incident inside the movie theater involving Roniel Allembert, Sr.

On December 18, 2022, at approximately 1:20 p.m., VIPD Detectives contacted the manager, who explained that on December 10, 2022, at about 11:20 p.m., a power outage at the theater caused the movies to stop playing.

Allembert exited the theater studio, contacted the manager, and demanded his money back. The manager informed him that he would be given a receipt to return another day whenever he chose to come back.

Allembert then became irate, began yelling, and entered the Concession area without permission, where he armed himself with two knives and approached the manager inside the Concession area. He was ordered to leave but refused and continued making threats until he was given back his \$20.00. He then threw the knives into a sink and left without further incident.

On Sunday, March 12, 2023, at 11:39 a.m., Roniel Allembert Sr. was present with his Attorney and turned himself in. He was arrested, mirandized, and declined to provide further statements. His bail was set at \$37,500.00. Mr. Allembert, through his attorney, was granted 10% of the total bail, and was released pending his Advice of Rights Hearing.

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