

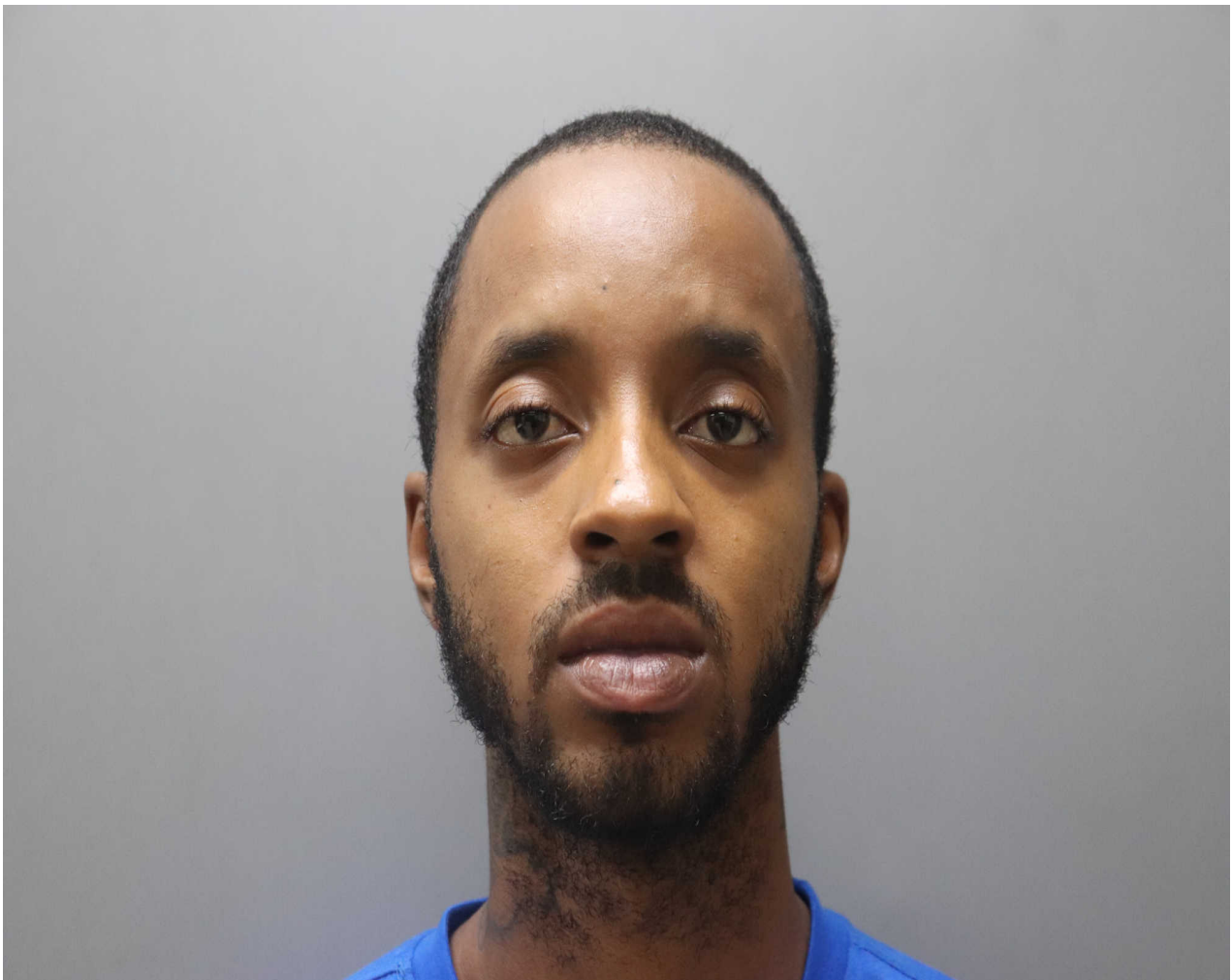
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Man Facing Felony DUI, Reckless Endangerment Charges After Leading Police on a Chase Through Charlotte Amalie

A man initiates a dangerous high-speed chase, defying multiple traffic signals and risking lives

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Mugshot of Cisgo Connor By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. THOMAS — A man who police say ran a red light before leading them on a high-speed chase through the streets of Charlotte Amalie is now facing several felony charges before the court.

According to court documents, officers were traveling eastbound on Veterans Drive during the pre-dawn hours of Saturday morning, when they saw a white Toyota Corolla speeding in the opposite direction. When the Corolla reportedly ran the red light at the Kongsprindsens Gade intersection, the officers turned on their flashers and attempted to initiate a traffic stop.

The driver of the vehicle, instead of complying, reportedly sped up even more and ran four more red lights in an attempt to evade police. He swerved into oncoming traffic, causing several vehicles to have to quickly maneuver to avoid head-on collisions. Despite the late hour, the area was still bustling with vehicles and pedestrians alike, as several events had recently ended.

The Corolla eventually turned onto Tolbod Gade, where traffic congestion slowed him down. Police said they tried to exit their vehicle to approach on foot, but the driver, later identified as Cisko Connor, reportedly taunted them with an extended middle finger and a verbalization of his gesture while trying to make his way through the crush of vehicles, managing to turn onto Kongsprindsens Gade.

However, Connor encountered more throngs of vehicles and pedestrians which impeded his escape. With nowhere else to go, police say he parked on Kongsprindsens Gade, got out of his car, and tried to blend into the crowd. He was, however, detained and handcuffed by police. After refusing to cooperate with attempts to administer a field sobriety test, Connor is said to have demanded that officers compare their genitals to his, in an attempt to convince them to let him go.

Unswayed by that proposition, police arrested Connor, charging him with reckless endangerment, reckless driving, driving while under the influence, and interfering with an officer during his duties.

On Monday, Connor appeared before magistrate Simone VanHoltten-Turnbull, who appointed a public defender to represent him. He was granted release ahead of trial, and although details of the pretrial release order have not yet been made public, court records indicate that Connor subsequently paid \$3,500 as the cash component of his stipulated bail.

He is next scheduled to appear in court on May 17.