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## Two Arrested in St. Thomas for Stolen Vehicle Following Investigation by VIPD

Investigation reveals coordinated actions leading to the arrests of Hiram Graneau Jr. and Ruben George on charges of Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle and Grand Larceny, with bail set at \$25,000 each as the case remains under investigation

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From left to right, Hiram Graneau Jr. and Ruben George. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. JOHN — Detectives with the V.I. Police Department have arrested 35-year-old Hiram Graneau Jr. and 38-year-old Ruben George in connection with a stolen vehicle. The arrests stem from an investigation conducted by the department's Criminal Investigation Bureau.

According to the police report, the case began earlier in 2024 when Ruben George was arrested in a separate incident involving an unlicensed firearm. The weapon was discovered inside a vehicle that was subsequently reported stolen by a rental car company.

Further investigation revealed that George, along with Graneau, conspired to unlawfully possess the stolen vehicle. George reportedly claimed that he had received the vehicle from Graneau. According to the VIPD, the evidence demonstrated the deliberate and coordinated actions of both individuals in committing the crime.

Both men have been charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle and grand larceny. Their bail was set at \$25,000 each.

The VIPD has urged anyone with information related to this case to come forward. Information can be reported to the 911 Emergency Call Center, Detective Y. LoBlack of the Criminal Investigation Bureau at 340-774-2211, the Chief's Office at 340-715-5546, the Commissioner's Office at 340-715-5506, or Crime Stoppers Virgin Islands at 1-800-222-8477.

The police department emphasized that all tips will remain confidential, and contributors have the option to remain anonymous.