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Man Jumps Out Of Bushes, Rapes St. John Woman

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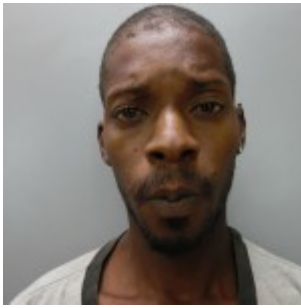


ST. JOHN -- On Thursday at about 12:30 p.m., detectives with the Criminal Investigations Bureau here responded to the report of a rape victim at the Myrah Keating Clinic.

According to the victim of the assault, she was taking a morning walk in the area of Ram's Head by Salt Pond, when a

black male suddenly appeared from the bushes, forced her to the ground and proceeded to sexually assault her.

Once the victim was able to get away, she made contact with friends employed at the resort where she was staying and they immediately took her to the Myrah Keating Clinic.



Mugshot of Jaydee Brathwaite, provided by the VIPD.

Officers with the Virgin Islands Police Department along with Rangers from the National Park Service conducted a search for the suspect based on a description rendered by the victim, and together located and detained Jaydee Brathwaite, 28, of Mandahl.

Once having been positively identified, Brathwaite was placed under arrest and remanded to the Bureau of Corrections pending his adviser-of-rights hearing.

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