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St. Croix Man Jailed For Savagely Beating Girlfriend

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ST. CROIX -- Police arrested a St. Croix man on Friday night who seemingly lost control and savagely attacked his girlfriend, who is also the mother of their child, V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Glen Dratte announced Saturday.

The man, 24-year-old [Chavez Ali](#), was jailed without bail in accordance with the territory's domestic violence laws, Mr. Dratte said.

According to police, on Friday at about 11:20 p.m., officers made contact with the adult female victim at the Ancilmo Marshal Command Station Christiansted, who stated that she was at her boyfriend's residence with their 1-year-old child, who had fallen off the couch and busted his lips. The victim said she then asked her boyfriend to take the child

to the hospital to seek medical attention.

But instead of taking the child to seek medical medical care, the boyfriend became enraged, grabbed the female victim by the throat with both hands and squeezed her until she could no longer breathe, according to Mr. Dratte. The boyfriend then punched his girlfriend several times in the head and then dragged her by the hair across the floor, the victim said. She managed to contact a family member, which prompted the boyfriend to immediately leave the house, according to Mr. Dratte.

About half an hour later at 11:53 p.m., contact was made with Mr. Chavez at the Marshal Command station, and he was remanded to the Golden Grove Detention Center pending his advise-of-rights hearing.