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20-Year-Old Woman Arrested on Attempted Murder Charge After Allegedly Shooting Into Neighbor's Apartment, Endangering Children, Other Occupants

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Mugshot of Jahritza Johnson By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. CROIX — Police on Friday arrested a Harbor View woman for allegedly shooting into her neighbor's apartment during an altercation, endangering children and other occupants.

V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima announced Sunday that Jahritza Johnson, age 20, was arrested at 3:23 p.m. Friday and charged with attempted murder, first-degree assault, third-degree assault, first-degree reckless endangerment, carrying a firearm openly or concealed, possession of ammunition, discharging or aiming a firearm and destruction of property.

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According to the V.I.P.D. news release, Johnson is accused of brandishing a firearm and firing a shot through the closed front door of the neighbor's apartment, endangering the occupants, including children.

Unable to make bail of \$100,000, Johnson was remanded to the Golden Grove Correctional Facility pending her advisement hearing.

St. Croix Chief of Police Sidney Elskoe commended officers for the swift arrest in this incident. He also urged the community to seek alternate ways of resolving disputes. "We should be able to talk through our differences. Resorting to violence is not the solution," Chief Elskoe said.

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