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## Second Man Charged in 'Gems and Gold Corner' Gunpoint Robbery

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ST. THOMAS — United States Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert for the District of the Virgin Islands announced Monday that Tashawn T.A. Warner was arrested for his involvement in the September 19, 2020 Gems & Gold Corner store robbery. He made his first appearance before U.S. Magistrate Judge Ruth Miller this afternoon. A detention hearing is scheduled for December 15, 2020.

According to the affidavit filed in the case, two masked men exited a vehicle and entered the store carrying guns. One of the men used a pistol to assault a store employee by striking the employee in the head. The other man brandished the rifle type firearm. Both men took jewelry from the store and got back into the vehicle which was driven by a third man. The complaint alleges Warner was the man brandishing the rifle in the store. Jamari Benjamin was previously arrested in connection

with this offense; the third man remains at large.

This case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Virgin Islands Police Department and prosecuted by United States Attorney's Office of the Virgin Islands.

A complaint is merely a charging document, and it is not evidence of guilt, reminded the U.S. Attorney's Office. "Every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law."

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