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Man, 18, Charged With Attempted Murder For Allegedly Firing Several Shots at Individual in Clifton Hill

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Mugshot of Hezekiah E. Thompson. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. CROIX — V.I.P.D. detectives on Tuesday arrested Hezekiah E. Thompson, age 18 of Estate Profit, on a warrant issued by the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands, and charged with first-degree attempted murder, third-degree assault, first-degree reckless endangerment, carrying a firearm openly or concealed, unauthorized possession of ammunition, and discharging or aiming a firearm.

According to police spokesman Toby Derima, Thompson is accused of firing several shots at an individual in the Clifton Hill area on February 16, 2020. Thompson was

located and detained in Puerto Rico. VIPD detectives traveled to Puerto Rico to take Thompson into custody and return him to the territory to face the charges against him.

Unable to make bail of \$250,000, Thompson was remanded to the Golden Grove Correctional Facility pending his advisement hearing.

Sidney Elskoe, St. Croix District chief of police, commended detectives for this arrest and issued a notice to residents who flee the territory after committing crimes to avoid prosecution. "We have the resources and the tenacity to find suspects of crime, even if they leave the territory. Let this arrest be an example to everyone who thinks they can leave the Virgin Islands and get away. We will find you," Chief Elskoe said.