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Couple in Stable Condition After Being Shot While Driving on Highway

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VIPD vehicles on the Melvin Evan's Highway. By. V.I. CONSORTIUM

ST. CROIX — A man and a woman were shot during the late hours of Saturday night while driving on the Melvin Evans highway, the V.I. Police Department has announced.

According to V.I.P.D. Director of Communications Glen Dratte, the 911 Emergency Call Center received notification at 11:32 p.m. from one of the two gunshot victims, who stated that they were traveling to the Juan F. Luis Hospital to receive treatment.

Once at the hospital, the victims told the officers that they were traveling on the highway in the vicinity of Estate Paradise just before the laundromat in the east-bound lane, when occupants in a cream-colored Chevy Equinox SUV with the rear left glass shattered, opened fire on them

shooting multiple bullets into their vehicle and striking both victims.

The V.I.P.D. said the couple sustained gunshot wounds, with the male victim sustaining a wound to the back, while the female was shot to the side of her body. The victims did not sustain life-threatening injuries and were listed in stable condition as of Sunday.

According to Mr. Dratte, the highway was canvassed and several spent shell casings were located on the east-bound side of the road, just east of the Estate Paradise traffic signal and as far up as the laundromat.

The V.I.P.D. is asking anyone with information about this incident to call the Criminal Investigation Bureau tip line at 340-778-4950, or send an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers [here](#).

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