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Joint Task Force Arrest Man on St. Croix Wanted for Attempted Murder in California; Suspect to be Extradited to Mainland

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A joint team of local and federal agents on Tuesday took 30-year-old Leslie Christopher Rogers into custody in Frederiksted. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

ST. CROIX — A man wanted on attempted murder and firearm possession charges in the state of California was arrested on Tuesday on St. Croix by a joint task force of federal and local law enforcement.

According to the V.I.P.D., on Monday agents with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas received a request from the Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force of Sacramento, California, to help locate a wanted fugitive identified as 30-year-old

Leslie Christopher Rogers. Law enforcement in the state had intelligence indicating that the suspect was on St. Croix.

On April 4, 2022 an arrest warrant for Rogers was issued by the Sacramento Superior and Municipal Court with full extradition in the County of Sacramento, California.

VIPD Detectives from the DEA and HIDTA Task Force, the VIPD Rapid Intervention Team, the department's Special Operation Bureau, officers with the Marine Unit and the U.S. Marshal Service were able to locate and identify Rogers at #136 Estate Diamond in Frederiksted on Dec. 6 at 5:55 p.m.



Local and federal agents on Tues. Dec. 6, 2022 arrested 30-year-old Leslie Christopher Rogers.

The arrested warrant was executed and Rogers was taken into custody without incident.

No bail was set as per the arrest warrant, and Rogers was booked and remanded to the John Bell Correctional Facility pending his initial appearance.

"I'm glad to see that we were able to extend a helping hand to our counterparts on the mainland," said St. Croix Police Chief Sean Santos. "This joint operation shows that law enforcement locally, federally and throughout the mainland do work together and it doesn't matter where you are, we will work together to bring wanted fugitives to justice."

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