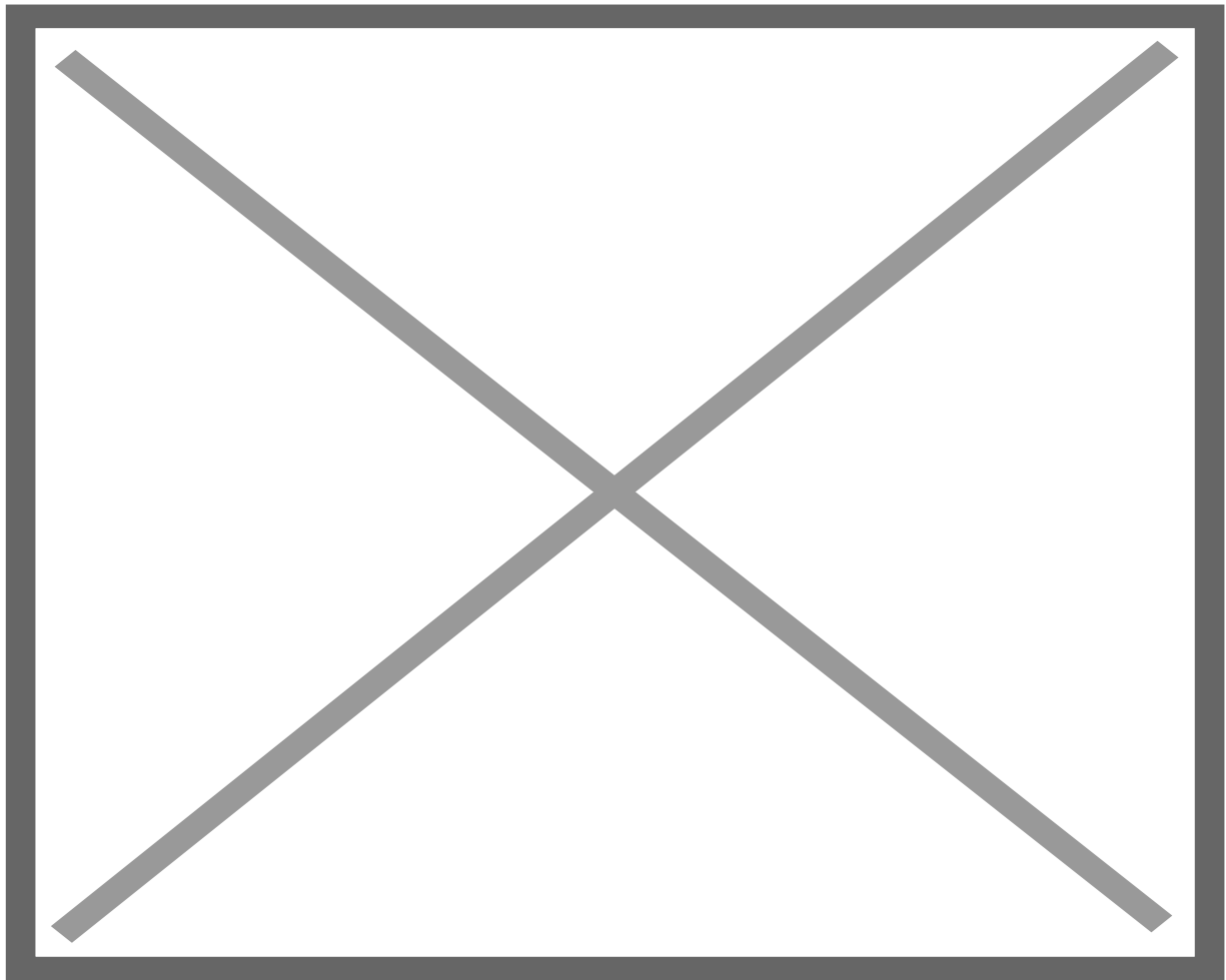


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VIPD Arrests Five, Confiscates Firearms Following Suspicious Activity Tip in St. Thomas

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Upper left to right: Giovanna Roumou and Jelani Hodge. Lower left to right: Taheem Jarvis, Raheem Murray and Isaiah Murray. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

ST. THOMAS — Local law enforcement on Friday arrested five individuals on Tiffany Lane in St. Thomas, near Limetree Beach Road, and confiscated four firearms — including a ghost gun — found to be in the suspects' possession.

V.I. Police Department officers were following a tip regarding suspicious activity in the area, according to the department. Officers from the Mariel C. Newton Command,

Criminal Investigation Bureau, and Forensics were dispatched to the scene, where they discovered Raheem Murray, 28; Isaiah Murray, 35; Jelani Hodge, 30; Taheem Jarvis, 21; and Giovanna Roumou, 18, shirtless and in possession of firearms.

Upon arrival, officers conducted a search of the immediate area, locating the suspects in a Jeep Wrangler. After directing them to exit the vehicle, officers observed several firearms in plain view inside the car, the VIPD said. The suspects were subsequently detained and taken into custody without incident. None of them held licenses to carry firearms in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The suspects are facing four counts of unlawful possession of a firearm (constructive possession), seven counts of unlawful possession of ammunition, and one count of possession of a "ghost gun" with no serial number. They are currently being held on a bail amount of \$200,000 each, according to the VIPD.

Authorities are continuing to investigate the case and are urging anyone with information to come forward. Witnesses or individuals with knowledge of the incident can contact the Mariel C. Newton Command at 340-775-3445 or the Criminal Investigation Bureau at 340-774-2211, ext. 5576/5572. Alternatively, they can reach out to 911, Crime Stoppers VI with an anonymous tip [here](#), the Chief's Office at 340-715-5548, or the Commissioner's Office at 340-715-5506.