

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

July 1, 2016

## SEXUAL BATTERY ARREST

PRESS RELEASE

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department, in conjunction with members of U.S Marshals Florida Regional Fugitive Task Force, served an arrest warrant on July 1<sup>st</sup> for the arrest of Raymond Vincent, B/M, 4/29/70, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

On February 13, 2016 Fort Lauderdale Detectives from the Special Victim Unit responded to Broward Heath Medical Center in reference to a delayed sexual battery of a child.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the victim was pregnant, as a result of the sexual battery offense, when she was taken to the hospital for stomach pain. With the elicited assistance of the Fort Lauderdale Career Criminal Unit it was discovered that the suspect fled South Florida to Haiti.

The U.S. Marshals in Ft. Lauderdale requested the Haitian National Police (HNP) and officials from the Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) in Haiti to determine the location of the suspect. The U.S. Marshals International Investigations Branch in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic coordinated the investigation into the whereabouts of suspect, Vincent, in Haiti.

A team of Deputy U.S. Marshals flew to Port-au-Prince, Haiti to assume custody of the suspect and return him to South Florida. The suspect, Raymond Vincent, was "expelled" from the country of Haiti by the Haitian government. The suspect was turned over to Detectives of the Fort Lauderdale Career Criminal Unit.

Vincent was charged with the following:

- One count of Sexual Battery on a Child
- One count of Lewd Lascivious Conduct

Anyone with information in regards to this investigation is encouraged to contact Detective Elijah Thomas at 954-828-6093 or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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