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9 Cuban Nationals Handed Over to Immigration Officials in Grand Bahama

Friday, 22nd July at approximately 1:09pm, officers from the Enforcement Unit, Grand Bahama, received nine (9) Cuban nationals from United States Coast Guard at the Freeport Harbour.

The Group consisting of nine adult males was cited and retrieved from Anguilla Cay on 19th July, 2022 by the Coast Guard upon receiving prior approval from the relevant Bahamian authorities to enter Bahamas territorial seas in accordance with the US/BHS Comprehensive Maritime Agreement.

As the Department considers the health and safety of staff and migrant's a top priority in this COVID-19 environment, normal processing of migrants in accordance with Statute Laws and Department's policies will ensue following the completion of required health checks.

The Department is committed to executing its mandate by effectively coordinating efforts with other Law Enforcement agencies, as well as international stakeholders; thus ensuring compliance with the Statute Laws of our country.

For more information, contact the Public Relations Unit in New Providence at **1-242-322-7530**, Grand Bahama at 1-242-602-9744, visit our website at **www.immigration.gov.bs**, or call our Investigation hotline anonymously at **1-242-604-0249**.

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Mission Statement: *To regulate the movement of people across the borders of The Bahamas so as to ensure the security, facilitate economic advancement and promote the harmonious social development of The Bahamas through the collaborative efforts of responsible government and non-government agencies both nationally and internationally*