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### BAHAMAS IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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#### **14 CUBAN NATIONALS APPREHENDED NEAR BIMINI**

On Saturday, 9th July, 2022, United States Coast Guard (USCG) intercepted fourteen (14) Cuban nationals onboard a vessel in waters near Dog Rock off Bimini. The group consisting of thirteen (13) males and one (1) female were subsequently turned over to Immigration officials in Grand Bahama on Wednesday, 13th July 2022, for processing.

The Department exercised all COVID-19 protocols as the health, welfare, and safety of our officers and migrants remain the highest priority. The group was transported to the Carmichael Road Detention on Thursday, 14th July 2022, and await deportation.

For more information, contact the Department's Public Relations Unit at **1-242-322-7530**, visit our website at [www.immigration.gov.bs](http://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*