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### **Escaped Haitian Migrant Captured**

On Wednesday, 28th October, 2020, at approximately 11:00pm; Immigration Officials assisted by Officers of the Royal Bahamas Police Force, acting on information received and armed with a Search Warrant, entered a home previously occupied by escaped migrant Jack "Jacklyn" Gerlin at Pinewood Drive, Southern New Providence. Mr. Gerlin along with several others was taken into custody without incident.

The Department extends special thanks to Commissioner of Police, Paul Rolle, Officers of the Royal Bahamas Police Force, as well as members of the public for their support and full co-operation in insuring the arms of justice and the return of Subject to protective custody.

To our brave, hardworking, dedicated, and steadfast Officers of the Department's Enforcement Unit, led by Harold Thurston, Chief Immigration Officer, we say congratulations on a job well done. Further, all persons found harbouring this escapee shall be charged before the Courts accordingly.

The Department will continue its commitment to carrying out the mandates of our agency to combat illegal migration by establishing effective border control management in compliance with the Statute Laws of our country.

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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.*