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Incident: Man from Zimbabwe Arrested, Charged and Deported

Abbotsford – February 13, 2012.

In the early hours of September 25, 2010 a 23 year old man and a 44 year old woman met at an apartment in the 33500 block of South Fraser Way. The man offered money to the woman in exchange for sexual services. When the woman asked to be paid, the man pushed her to the ground and stuck fingers down her throat to cause her pain and to stop any attempt at screaming. The woman was later treated in hospital for injuries to the lining of her esophagus. The woman also reported the incident to the Abbotsford Police.

Patrol Division officers and a Major Crime Unit detective investigated the incident and located and arrested Wilson Mulenga CHIBESA, a student from Zimbabwe who was in Canada with a visa. CHIBESA plead guilty to Assault Causing Bodily Harm and 2 counts of drug possession. On June 24, 2011 he was sentenced to jail and probation (and was required to submit a DNA sample). On January 30, 2012, after exhausting all avenues of appeal, CHIBESA was deported back to Zimbabwe.

The Abbotsford Police Department would like to thank Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) for their efforts and assistance. More importantly, we want to acknowledge the courage of the woman involved. By speaking out and working with police she not only ensured that CHIBESA was held accountable for this incident, she prevented the possibility of any other victims in Canada.

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