

MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: **NEED TO IDENTIFY A SEXUAL BATTERY SUSPECT**

UPDATE

After receiving and following up on a Crime Stoppers tip, Miami Police Detectives have identified and arrested the suspect in this case, 20-year-old, Clarens Braynen. He was held at Krome Detention Center after being arrested on May 8, 2023, for trespassing on an unrelated case. See the attached Arrest Form.

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The Miami Police needs the public's help in identifying the subject of an open Sexual Battery investigation.

On Sunday, May 7th, 2023, at approximately 5:00 A.M., the victim (adult female) was walking northbound on Biscayne Boulevard at N.E. 32 Street after exiting a Miami Dade Transit bus at the Omni Station. Suddenly, an unknown black male approached her from behind, covered her mouth with a cloth, and dragged her into an empty lot.

The victim describes there was a tarp on the ground under some trees in this lot. The suspect then sexually assaulted the victim covering her mouth with a cloth to prevent her from yelling for assistance. The victim fought back her attacker and even bit his hand. The victim sustained injuries to the left side of her jaw and cuts on her lips during the incident. The victim escaped at her first opportunity and summoned police.

Surveillance video depicts the subject in the clothing he wore during the incident and then with a change of clothes immediately after the incident as to elude police.

Suspect: black male, approximately 5'7"- 5'9", with a slim muscular build. Spoke with an accent (possibly Haitian or African). His earlobes are distinctly L shaped and small as depicted in the video. Subject was bald at the time of the incident.

The surveillance video is available via WeTransfer link below:

<https://we.tl/t-f75gIEDNAB>

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Special Victims Unit at (305) 603-6300. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (8477), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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