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## **VIPA POLICE ENFORCING AIRPORT PARKING RESTRICTIONS; VIOLATORS WILL BE BOOTED/FINED**

Virgin Islands Port Authority Executive Director Kenn Hobson wishes to remind the public that parking along the airport terminal curbsides is **strictly prohibited** at both the Cyril E. King Airport on St. Thomas and the Henry E. Rohlsen International Airport on St. Croix. Hobson said that the motoring public should not park or leave a vehicle unattended along the curbside at any time while at the airport. After a passenger is dropped off and their baggage removed from the vehicle, the driver should immediately exit the airport or park their car in the parking lot if they wish to accompany the passenger to the airport ticket counter in the terminal, he said.

Hobson also reminds the public of the passenger pick-up zone parking restrictions. Persons picking up passengers are only allowed to park at the pick-up zone adjacent to the baggage claim area to load passengers and luggage when they are ready and waiting at the curb. Drivers will not be allowed to park and wait for their party at the pick-up zone. If a driver arrives early, they are asked to wait for their party in the designated parking areas of the airport.

Unattended vehicles parked in front of the terminal or the pick-up zone will be booted by V.I. Port Authority police officers. The fee to remove a VIPA vehicle boot is \$125. If a booted vehicle is left on Port Authority property for an extended period of time, it will be towed at the owner's expense. The owner will be responsible for the towing fee, and storage fees of \$25 every 24-hours. VIPA accepts cash, business checks and all credit cards except American Express. The payment station to pay for the removal of a vehicle boot is located at the security offices on the second floor of the CEKA Terminal on St. Thomas and on the second floor of the HERA Terminal on St. Croix.

Hobson urges the travelling public to comply with the rules and regulations of the Port Authority while at the airport.

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