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NEWS RELEASE

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St. Catherine Man Charged for Fraud

Octavious Forbes o/c Jerry was charged by MOCA detectives following an Identification Parade on Wednesday December 2, 2020 for offences of Forgery and Obtaining Money under False Pretence.

Sometime in 2016 Forbes met the complainant and offered to assist him in starting his divorce process for an initial fee of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00). The following year, the complainant requested that Forbes put a hold on the divorce proceedings, and he demanded a further sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to do so. He subsequently provided a Decree Absolute to the couple.

A report was made to MOCA and an investigation launched. Forbes was later arrested and taken into custody following a sting operation by MOCA detectives. He was charged and appeared in the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Court on December 4, 2020. He was remanded into custody and the matter postponed for him to reappear on January 6, 2021.

In light of the foregoing, the public is being urged to be mindful of individuals who claim to offer the service of divorce settlements, as this process can only be legally executed by an Attorney-at-Law through the Supreme Court.

MOCA wishes to remind members of the public who may have any information that could assist in any investigation to call MOCA at 876-906-6318, 876-906-5848 or 1-800-CORRUPT or by email at info@moca.gov.jm. More information can be found on the MOCA.gov.jm website or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MOCAJamaica and follow MOCA on Twitter @MOCAJamaica.