

Cops probe sex attack on 14-month-old

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POLICE are continuing their investigations into the assault of a 14-month-old baby girl in Biche.

Investigators were expected to approach Director of Public Prosecutions Roger Gaspard for instructions on how best to proceed, but up to late yesterday they were still "tightening up the case" by gathering more statements.

According to police reports, around 8.30 a.m. on Sunday, a 20-year-old man was at his New Land Village, Biche, home with his 23-year-old girlfriend. The couple got into a fight which became physical and the man made certain allegations, citing the woman's behaviour as the reason he sexually assaulted the child.

However, after the fight, the woman thought nothing of the allegation and made no report to the police.

It was only when the grandmother of the toddler was bathing the child later that day that she noticed puss coming out of the vagina.

The child was rushed to Rio Claro District Health Facility, where she was treated.

The police were notified and a team of officers visited the home of the man and arrested him.

The *Express* was reliably informed that the man has since denied making any allegations of assaulting the child.

WPC Ferguson, from Biche Police Station, is continuing enquiries.

The *Express* was informed that police are seeking to have the charges of grievous sexual assault of a child laid against the man.

They are also seeking to charge him with assault occasioning actual bodily harm, in relation to his alleged acts towards the 23-year-

old woman.

A 48-year-old man was also detained initially in the investigations, but he was released from custody on the same day.

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