

## TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO POLICE SERVICE CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Eight Held, Firearms, Ammo and Marijuana Seized in WD

Eight persons were arrested and two firearms and quantities of ammunition and marijuana seized by officers of the Western Division Task Force, during an anti-crime exercise conducted in the Maraval and St. James districts yesterday.

Officers conducted the exercise between 4:00pm and 12midnight on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, during which they executed a search warrant at the Faustin Trace, Maraval, home of a male suspect.

There, officers found 1.2 kilogrammes of marijuana. The drug has an estimated street value of \$12,000. The suspect who was in the house at the time of the search was arrested in connection with the find.

Officers then proceeded to the Long Circular, St. James home of another male suspect where they found one pistol, loaded with 12 rounds of ammunition. The man was arrested in connection with the find.

During the same exercise, officers had cause to search a derelict Nissan motor vehicle parked on the side of the roadway, which resulted in one AR-15 rifle loaded with five rounds of ammunition. A search of a nearby abandoned house also resulted in two soft drink cases filled with marijuana seedlings and 936 grammes of marijuana being found.

Six more suspects were held in the Four Roads district in connection with a video on social media showing them in possession of several illegal firearms.

Investigations are ongoing.

## SEE ACCOMPANYING PHOTOS

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