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November 18th, 2023 **MEDIA RELEASE Two Firearms, Ammunition and Marijuana Seized in Arima**

Police seized two firearms and a quantity of marijuana, which led to the arrest of two suspects during crime eradication exercises in the Pinto and Arima Station districts yesterday.

Police executed four search warrants in the Pinto and Arima Station districts yesterday between 9 am and 1 pm. One suspect, 47, of Demerara Road, Pinto was arrested for Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition after the officers found and seized one Glock 19 pistol, magazine and 15 rounds of 9 mm ammunition during the exercise.

Also, based on the information received, the officers searched an open abandoned lot in the vicinity of Omeara Road and Samaroo Village, where they discovered 1.57 kilograms of marijuana.

The exercise was coordinated by ACP Subero, Snr Supt Francis, Supt Carthy, ASP Pitt, ASP Trumpet, Insp Jugmohan and Insp Mascall, spearheaded and supervised by Sgt Naitram, W/Cpl Thomas Moran and PC Durity, with officers from the Pinto Road Police Post, Police Canine Unit and Arima Municipal Task Force.

Additionally, around 8:50 pm yesterday, Ag Cpl Sandy, PC Persad, PC Pierre and PC Cumberbatch, of the Arima Municipal Police Task Force AMPTF, whilst on process duty in the Arima district, received information relative to a man in possession of a firearm, in the vicinity of a basketball court.

The party of officers proceeded to said location where they observed the suspect seated in the pavilion area on the eastern side of the basketball court. The officers approached the suspect and informed him of their observations and cautioned him. When officers searched the suspect, they found one Beretta pistol with one extended magazine, loaded with 19 rounds of ammunition in his side bag. The man was arrested and taken to the Arima Municipal Police Station along with the aforementioned items seized.

PC Cumberbatch is continuing inquiries at this time.

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