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MEDIA RELEASE

8 Venezuelan Nationals Held for Guns, Ammo and Residing in the Country Illegally

Nine persons, including eight Venezuelan nationals, were arrested by South Western Division officers today, for residing in the country illegally and being in possession of firearms and ammunition.

During an operation on Sunday 19th May, 2019, in the Point Fortin district, officers of the South Western Division Task Force and Criminal Investigation Departments, executed search warrants at houses along Warden Road.

There, officers arrested a 28-year-old local fisherman along with two Venezuelan men, ages 25 and 26, for possession of two pistols and nine rounds of ammunition. Two Venezuelan women and a 15-year-old Venezuelan teenaged girl, were also detained.

Officers proceeded to Spring Trace, Warden Road, where they searched an apartment and discovered a revolver loaded with four rounds of ammunition hidden therein. Three Venezuelan men, in the apartment at the time of the search, were held in connection with the find.

While carrying out the exercise, officers received information that led them to search a forested area along the Cap De Ville Main Road and found two AR-15 rifles wrapped in black plastic with two magazines and 64 rounds of 5.56mm ammunition.

The exercise was spearheaded by Snr. Supt. Basdeo, and enquiries are continuing.

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