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MEDIA RELEASE

Prison Officer Arrested Following Search Exercise at Maximum Security Prison, Arouca

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS), in collaboration with the Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service, conducted a coordinated exercise this morning which resulted in the arrest of a prison officer.

The joint exercise, aimed at maintaining the integrity and security of the nation's prisons, was coordinated by Commissioner of Police Mr. Allister Guevarro, Commissioner of Prisons Mr. Hayden Forde, and Deputy Commissioner of Police Ms. Suzette Martin.

Around 8:00 a.m., officers attached to the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Operations) Team, led by ASP Stanley, along with Cpl Williams and Cpl Hyde, conducted random searches of prison officers arriving for duty at the Maximum Security Prison (MSP), Arouca.

During the exercise, a prison officer was searched and officers discovered:

- Two vacuum-sealed bags of marijuana
- One vacuum-sealed bag containing 69 Broadway cigarettes strapped to his body
- Fifteen Astra razor blades in his wallet

A subsequent search of the officer's vehicle led to the discovery of:

- A clear plastic bag containing a quantity of marijuana
- Two digital scales
- Lighters
- One pair of scissors
- Two memory cards
- One pack of wrapping paper
- Two imitation firearms

The total weight of the marijuana seized was 300 grams.

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The officer was immediately arrested in connection with the finds. Investigations are ongoing.

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