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MEDIA RELEASE

Officers Arrest 6, Seize 3 Firearms, and a Quantity of Drugs in Anti-Crime Exercises

Six persons were arrested, three firearms were recovered, and a quantity of drugs were seized yesterday in anti-crime exercises conducted across several Divisions.

A 19-year-old Pinto resident was arrested after officers allegedly found a Tanfoglio BTA90 firearm fitted with a magazine containing 12 rounds of nine-millimetre ammunition in a vehicle. A magazine containing six rounds of nine-millimetre ammunition was also allegedly found. The search was conducted after the vehicle crashed at the corner of Racket Drive and Orange Grove Road while officers were in pursuit. The chase occurred following a report of Assault with Intent to Rob which allegedly occurred along the Eastern Main Road, Tacarigua around 8:20 pm yesterday. Enquiries are continuing.

Officers in the North Eastern Division allegedly recovered a black Taurus pistol with 10 rounds of nine-millimetre ammunition during an exercise in the Morvant district yesterday. The firearm was found as they searched a bushy area on an empty lot of land along St. Charles Orphan Road. During the exercise, a search was also conducted at Pitch Road where a quantity of marijuana and cocaine were allegedly found underneath an abandoned vehicle. PC Moonesar is continuing enquiries.

In a separate exercise conducted between 1:30 pm and 4:30 pm in the Barataria district officers proceeded to Williams Lane, El Socorro. While searching an open area of land, they found a brown-coloured box containing two plastic bags of marijuana weighing 957 grammes. PC Thomas is continuing enquiries.

Exercises in the Division continued this morning and led to the alleged recovery of 10 rounds of 7.62-millimetre ammunition. The ammunition was allegedly found in a black plastic bag stuck to the base of a tree during a search of a bushy area along Weeks Trace, San Juan. PC Atkinson is continuing enquiries.

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Meanwhile, in the Port of Spain Division, three persons were arrested in relation to several firearm offences and ongoing enquiries in the Besson Street Police District. One of the arrests included a 25-year-old man from Mon Repos, Morvant who was subsequently charged for Possession of Firearm and Ammunition after a black and silver .38 revolver and five rounds of .38 ammunition were allegedly found during the execution of a search warrant. PC Lashley is continuing enquiries.

A search warrant was also executed at a home on Palm Drive Road, Carapo, Arima during exercises in the Area South of the Northern Division yesterday. Officers allegedly found one brick-like, rectangular object containing 525 grammes of cannabis. It was wrapped in brown-coloured plastic and was allegedly hidden in a basket in the bedroom of the dwelling. One man was arrested in connection with the find. PC Ramlochan is continuing enquiries.

In a separate exercise, two search warrants were executed at Moonan Road, Wallerfield, Arima around 6:30 am yesterday. Officers allegedly discovered and seized 10 high-grade marijuana trees, paraphernalia for indoor growing, as well as several fully-grown trees suspended on an indoor line. A warrant is expected to be issued for the suspect who ran as the officers approached.

Central Division officers seized a black plastic bag containing 215 plastic bags of marijuana weighing a total of 555 grammes in an old washing machine. The discovery was made during the execution of a search warrant at a residence in Longdenville around 11:30 pm yesterday. A 50-year-old man was arrested for Possession of Marijuana. PC Sammy is continuing enquiries.

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