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One Held, Two Firearms Seized in Carnival Weekend Exercises

One man was arrested and two firearms seized by officers during heightened Carnival weekend Operations, intended to keep the festivities safe and secure.

In the Arouca district, Criminal Investigations Department officers conducted an exercise around 1:20 am, today, Sunday 11th February, 2024, during which they observed a group of men standing near an abandoned structure, along Thompson Trace.

A chase ensued on foot through the structure resulting in one 28-year-old suspect from Arouca being apprehended a short distance away.

He was found to be in possession of one Taurus pistol loaded with a magazine containing eight rounds of ammunition. The search continues for the other suspects.

Meanwhile, in the North Eastern Division, officers of the Inter-Agency Task Force, NED Gang and Intelligence Unit and the Guard and Emergency Branch conducted several exercises in the Malick and Caledonia districts between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm, on Saturday 10th February, 2024.

During the exercises, officers discovered one firearm loaded with an empty magazine in a bushy area.

Investigations are ongoing into the two above matters.

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