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4 Arrested, 2 Firearms Seized in North Central Division Exercises

The North Central Division's ongoing *"Operation Real Steel"* initiative resulted in four arrests and the seizure of two firearms during several exercises on Tuesday 23rd May, 2023.

Two of the arrests occurred when officers conducted a house search and roving exercise in Area East and West of the North Central and Northern Divisions between the hours of 11 pm on May 23rd and 3 am on May 24th.

A 30-year-old Arouca man was arrested for Possession of Firearm after officers allegedly seized a Fabrique Nationale pistol fitted with a magazine. A 39-year-old Piarco man was also arrested for Obstruction and Resisting Arrest.

During the exercise, based on information received, officers proceeded to Maloney Gardens where they allegedly found a black .23 revolver with five .23 rounds of ammunition in a four-inch PVC pipe under a rabbit pen on the western side of a building in the area.

In a similar exercise, a search warrant was executed at a home on Maingot Road, Tunapuna between the hours of 8 pm and 12 midnight on Tuesday 23rd May, 2023. A 36-year-old occupant of the home was arrested in relation to several reports of shootings and gang-related activities in the Tunapuna district.

A 32-year-old Tunapuna man was also arrested in relation to gangrelated offences during a house search exercise conducted between the hours of 3 am and 8 am the same day.

Enquiries are continuing.

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