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MEDIA RELEASE

Naughty Boys and Girl Held, 'Deadly Toys' Seized in Christmas Crime Suppression Exercises

Multiple simultaneous Christmas crime suppression initiatives across the country over the past 24 hours have resulted in the arrest of several persons and the seizure of four firearms and quantities of ammunition and narcotics.

In the Eastern Division, officers of the Moruga Police Station and St. Mary's Police Post were on mobile patrol around 4:50pm, on Thursday 15th December, 2022, when they stopped a Nissan Almera motor vehicle in the St. Mary's district with three occupants.

A search of the vehicle resulted in officers finding two AR-15 assault rifles loaded with two magazines, one Taurus revolver and quantities of assorted ammunition.

The suspects, a 29-year-old male of St. Joseph, a 46-year-old man of Point Fortin and a 32-year-old Chaguanas woman, were arrested in connection with the find.

Meanwhile, in the Northern Division, officers of the Pinto Police Station conducted an exercise in the Arima district between 11 pm yesterday and 1 am, today, Friday 16th December, 2022, during which they stopped a panel van with a lone male occupant.

A search of the vehicle resulted in officers finding one Glock 45 pistol loaded with a magazine containing 17 rounds of ammunition. The driver, a 24-year-old of Caroni was arrested in connection with the find.

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In the South-Western Division, officers of the Point Fortin Criminal Investigations Department, South Western Division Task Force and the Canine Branch conducted an exercise around 4:30 am yesterday, in the Fanny Village district.

During the exercise, the home of a 26-year-old man was searched and one black bag containing 7.96 kilogrammes of marijuana was found and seized. Two male suspects who were at the house at the time of the search were arrested in connection with the find.

In the North Eastern Division, an exercise conducted between 4:30 pm and 7 pm, yesterday in the Morvant district, resulted in a 39-year-old man of the area, being held with 115 grammes of marijuana. Further searches of the area resulted in 1.4 kilogrammes of the drug being discovered and seized.

And, two men were arrested by officers of the North Eastern Division Intelligence Unit and Morvant Criminal Investigations Department, following a report of Larceny of electronics and household appliances on December 12th, 2022.

Acting on information, officers proceeded to the San Juan district where a sting operation was executed to purchase several of the allegedly stolen items.

The two suspects, both of Laventille, were held and two items fitting the description of the stolen electronics were recovered.

In the Western Division, a comprehensive crime suppression exercise was conducted from 2 am yesterday, during which a 32-year-old Diego Martin man was arrested in connection with a report of rape and a 36-year-old Diego Martin man was held for firearm-related offences.

Three errant drivers were ticketed for Driving Without a Certificate

of Insurance, Driving Whilst Holding A Handheld Device and Driving Without a Seatbelt.

In accordance with the Active Directed Patrol Policy, Western Division officers conducted several mobile patrols, paying particular attention to West Mall, Highland Plaza, Starlite Shopping Plaza, West Bees, Alyce Glen and SuperPharm, Diego Martin.

Officers also carried out several patrols to coastal areas of the Division, including the Carenage Fish Market, Williams Bay, Big Yard Fish Market and the Western Main Road.

And, a Community Walkabout exercise was held yesterday between 2 pm and 4:30 pm, in the Western Division in keeping with Strategic Area #1 of the TTPS Strategic Plan 2022-2024.

It was spearheaded by Snr. Supt. Ramkhelawan and Supt. Williams and included officers of the St. James, Maraval, Four Road, West End and Carenage Police Stations.

During the walkabout, officers visited several business places, homes and government offices along the Western Main Road, St. James and provided them with crime prevention safety tips and advice in keeping with the Division's anti-crime measures.

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