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Priority Offenders Arrested- Stolen Items Recovered, Firearms Seized

Police arrested several known offenders, recovered stolen items from a home invasion, and seized three illegal firearms during anti-crime exercises conducted across various policing divisions over the past 48 hours.

On 21st August 2024, a family in the Las Lomas Police District was robbed and assaulted during a home invasion. Yesterday, Friday 23rd August 2024, one of the victims made a report to officers at the Arima Police Station. Led by Sgt Williams and assisted by the Northern Division Task Force-North, officers acted on information and proceeded to Bye Pass Road Arima, where they arrested a known priority offender, recovering a stolen Samsung cell phone. Further investigations also led to the recovery of a Nissan Note vehicle with false plates at Cleaver Road, Arima, which was also stolen during the home invasion.

Also, during an anti-crime exercise conducted in the North Central Division yesterday, acting on intelligence, officers surveilled a bar located on Southern Main Road, Curepe. They then arrested a known Larceny Motor Vehicle and Firearm Offender and suspected gang member. The suspect was arrested in connection with a silver AD wagon, which was reported stolen in August last year, from Sellier Street, Curepe which when recovered had false number plates.

Between 4 pm and 8 pm yesterday, police conducted drug block raids and search exercises in the Sangre Grande district, of the Eastern Division. Two men aged 30 and 20 from Northeastern Settlement were arrested on enquiries, relative to outstanding serious crimes in the district. Also, a 34-year-old man from Junction Road, Sangre Grande was arrested after a P80 9-mm Pistol, with 14 rounds of 9-mm ammunition was found in his possession.

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During a roving patrol in Beetham Gardens yesterday, Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) Special Team officers found 500 grams of cannabis wrapped in a brown plastic packet within a playground area. Also, around 11.30 pm, while on roving mobile patrol along Duke Street, Port of Spain in the vicinity of Building 45-53 Mango Rose Plannings, WPC François proceeded to the second-floor hallway of the said building. During a search, she found one p229 sig pistol containing one magazine and 13 rounds of 9-mm ammunition.

Meanwhile, between 1 am and 5 am, today, officers from the Western Divisional Task Force conducted an anti-crime exercise in the Maraval Police Station district. Acting on information, the officers searched patrons and the premises at a lounge, located at Saùt Deau Road, Maraval. During the search, officers found a brown side bag, containing a firearm loaded with 16 rounds of 9-mm ammunition in a dustbin on the balcony.

Investigations are continuing.

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