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MEDIA RELEASE

Two Illegal Firearms Recovered, One Arrest Made

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) continues to intensify its efforts in the fight against illegal drugs and firearms through a series of targeted operations. On Thursday 25th September, 2025, coordinated Drug Block Operations were conducted in the Manzanilla and Biche districts. The operations resulted in the recovery of two illegal firearms, ammunition, and one arrest.

Between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., officers carried out a comprehensive anti-crime exercise targeting four (4) known drug blocks in the Manzanilla district:

- Eastern Main Road, Manzanilla #3
- Nariva Road
- Clarke Trace
- Depot Road

The operation was coordinated by Senior Superintendent Paponette, ASP Lee Tang, Inspector Ramdeen, and Inspector Mahabir, and supervised by Sgt. Mohammed. It involved officers from the Manzanilla Police Post, the Northern Operations Task Force (NOTF), the K-9 Unit, and the Multi-Operational Police Section (MOPS).

During a search of an abandoned structure at Depot Road, officers discovered one (1) Venezuelan-made Conavenca shotgun along with two (2) 12-gauge cartridges. Investigations are ongoing, led by No. 13394 PC Maxime.

In a separate incident, a 62-year-old man was arrested for possession of apparatus. PC Cortez is continuing enquiries. Six (6) Stop and Search forms were completed during the operation, which concluded without incident.

A similar operation was conducted in the Biche District from 3:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., targeting four (4) known drug blocks:

- Plum Mitan
- Lewis Trace
- Charuma
- Oliver Trace, Cushe

While conducting searches at Oliver Trace, Cushe, officers discovered one (1) homemade shotgun. Investigations are ongoing, led by PC Singh.

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These operations form part of the TTPS's ongoing strategic initiatives to dismantle drug blocks, remove illegal firearms from communities, and reduce gang and drug-related violence. The TTPS thanks the public for its continued support and urges anyone with information on illegal activities to contact their nearest police station or call 555, 800-TIPS, or Crime Stoppers.

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