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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **2 Charged with Failing to Store Firearm, Ammo Safely**

Trinidad and Tobago Police Service is reminding Firearm Users Licence (FUL) holders to properly store their guns and ammunition, especially when travelling out of the country.

This after two men were arrested and charged this week for failing to provide safe storage for a pistol magazine containing ammunition.

**TERRY BHAGWANSINGH**, 53, of Palm Road, Valsayn, and **VIJAIE MAHABIR**, 66, of John Dulam Street, Aranguez, were each charged by PC Clarke of the Special Investigations Unit (SIU), for failing to provide storage for firearm and ammunition contrary to Section 40 (2) of the Firearms Act Chapter 16:01, as amended. The men were about to leave Trinidad and Tobago when they were arrested.

According to the SIU's report, **BHAGWANSINGH** was clearing security to board a flight to Miami, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2022, when his carry-on luggage was scanned and security officials observed an object that resembled a magazine.

A further check was conducted and inside a black coloured pouch, a black pistol magazine with ammunition was allegedly unearthed.

**BHAGWANSINGH** was questioned and he indicated that the pouch belonged to **MAHABIR**. This information was verified by **MAHABIR**, who is the holder of a valid FUL.

The men were arrested over the find and an investigation launched. They were charged with the offences on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and are expected to appear before a Tunapuna Magistrate today.

#### **SEE ACCOMPANYING PHOTOGRAPHS**

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