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MEDIA RELEASE

Largest Seizure for 2024, \$186M Worth of Narcotics Seized in SWD

“The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service remains relentless and focused on dismantling drug trafficking networks, as another criminal operation took a serious hit to the tune of \$186 million when officers orchestrated a strategic exercise in the South Western Division earlier today.”

This from Commissioner of Police, Erla Christopher as she commented on the successful operation. The CoP added, “This is a significant seizure for the TTPS and a major victory in our ongoing fight against illegal drugs and drug trafficking networks. We will continue to work alongside other arms of law enforcement to gather the requisite intelligence and through our strategic action, criminals will get the message that their illegal activities will not be tolerated.”

After extensive surveillance, officers conducted an intelligence-led multi-agency exercise in the South Western Division, where officers ventured into a swampy forested area off Austin Trace, Coromandel Village, Cedros. When the officers searched the area, they found 67 crocus bags, each containing approximately 25 to 35 blocks of high-grade marijuana and cocaine.

The marijuana weighed 1521 kilograms, with an estimated street value of \$167 million, while the 13.8 kilograms of cocaine had an estimated street value of \$19.3 million.

The exercise was coordinated by Snr Supt Soodeen, ASP Ramisir, Insp. Ramlogan, with officers of the Southern Division Task Force, South Western Division Task Force, Multi Options Police Section, National Operations Task Force, Guard and Emergency Branch, Riverine and Coastal Patrol Unit, Canine Unit, Air Support Unit and the Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard.

Enquiries are continuing.

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