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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Police Arrest 3, Seize Firearms, Ammunition, Narcotics, Recover Stolen Vehicle**

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Police arrested three suspects, seized two firearms, a quantity of ammunition and marijuana, and also recovered a stolen vehicle during exercises conducted throughout various policing divisions yesterday.

Between 1 pm and 7 pm on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024, officers of the Western Division Task Force, acting on information, proceeded to an address at Hill Crest Drive, Panta Village, Diego Martin. An extensive search was conducted of bushy areas, close to the homes of known offenders. The officers discovered a black garbage bag, which was hidden under a pile of tree branches, and contained one AK47 assault rifle, equipped with one magazine and loaded with 15 rounds 7.62 ammunition.

The items were seized and the scene was processed by Western Division Crime Scene Unit. PC Clement is continuing enquiries into the find.

Additionally, officers of the North Eastern Division Task Force, while on an anti-crime exercise between 5 pm and 7 pm, searched several known drug blocks including 1<sup>st</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Prizgar Road and Sunshine Avenue. While searching close to an abandoned security van, just off Sunshine Avenue, San Juan, PC Yearwood discovered a black plastic bag containing a Smith and Wesson Revolver with two rounds of ammunition.

Later that day, also in the North Eastern Division (NED), officers from the San Juan Police Station, Baratara Police Station and Baratara Patrol Unit were on exercise when they received information from the E-999 Command Centre, relative to a report of a stolen vehicle. The party of officers proceeded to Maraj Trace and conducted a search. A black Honda Vezel, which was reported stolen earlier that day from the Northern Division, was recovered. The vehicle was conveyed to the San Juan Police Station to be processed by NED Crime Scene Investigators.

In Tobago, also on that day, PC Robley, PC Caruth and PC Kerr were on exercise duty along Windward Road, Goodwood, in the vicinity of the Goodwood Secondary School when they had cause to stop a white Nissan N16 Sunny which was heading in an easterly direction. The vehicle and the three male occupants were

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searched and a wrapped package containing marijuana was found in the vehicle.

The package, which contained 540 grams of marijuana, was seized and the three men, aged 20,21 and 45, were arrested for the offence of Possession of Cannabis for the Purpose of Trafficking.

Enquiries are continuing into the above matters.

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