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17 Arrested, 3 Firearms, a quantity of Ammunition and Drugs Seized during Anticrime Exercises

Seventeen persons were arrested, guns, ammunition and drugs seized during anti-crime exercises in the last 24 hours.

In an exercise conducted by officers of the Inter Agency Task Force, officers arrested a 23-year-old man in Laventille for possession of firearm and ammunition. According to police, around 5.30 pm, yesterday officers received information while on patrol and had reason to stop and search the suspect and found one Glock 17 Pistol, fitted with an extended magazine and 28 rounds of 9mm ammunition. He was arrested and taken to the Besson Street Police Station.

Between the hours of 2:00 am and 3:00 am, this morning officers conducted an anticrime exercise in the Tableland district. During the exercise based on intelligence information, the party proceeded to a bushy area off the Naparima Mayaro Road and recovered one Chrome Smith and Wesson Revolver. No one was arrested for the find.

Meanwhile in the Trincity area, officers whilst on patrol received information and proceeded to the Trincity Mall Car park. The party of officers made checks and observed a heavily tinted motor vehicle parked there, the officers made observations and approached the suspects and made a search and found a Taurus pistol along with a magazine containing twelve rounds of 9mm ammunition was found. Two of the three occupants were arrested, one ran off and evaded the officers. The other two occupants were conveyed to the Arouca Police Station along with the exhibits for safe keeping. Seven persons were also arrested for Affiliation warrants, four in the Northern Division and three in the South Western Division.

In the Eastern Division, seven persons were arrested for possession of marijuana when officers conducted Drug Block searches in the Sangre Grande District.

North Eastern Division officers, based on information received, proceeded to a bushy area at Hope Place, Mt. Hope, where they found a Glock pistol outfitted with one magazine containing six rounds of .9 mm ammunition hidden under some fallen debris.

A party of offices of the Central Division also arrested three men for demanding money by menace and impersonating a police officer.

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