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MEDIA RELEASE

More Firearms, Ammo Seized in Santa Cruz

“The strategies and the Violent Crime Reduction Plan are working, and I have every confidence that as we continue to update our strategies and implement our plans, we will continue to get the desired results.”

This from Commissioner of Police, Erla Christopher, as she commented on another key illegal firearm and ammunition seizure, which took place during an exercise in Santa Cruz today.

According to police reports, between 1pm and 7pm, officers of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF), under the supervision of Snr Supt Roger Alexander, along with officers from the Guard and Emergency Branch (GEB), under the supervision of Snr Supt Elie and the Canine Unit, journeyed approximately two miles in a forested area in Santa Cruz, where they found and seized the following items: -

- Four AK-47 Rifles
- One 50cal Desert Eagle
- One .45 Revolver
- Two Shotguns
- 23 rounds 5.56 ammunition
- 38 Assault Rifle Magazines
- 91 Lower receivers
- An assortment of assault rifle parts
- Several items of police kits
- Four Police Bulletproof Vests
- Blue Swivel Lights

The Top Cop added, “We expect that this seizure will again significantly impact the incidence of violent crimes committed with the use of firearms, especially homicides and home invasions. I would like to thank and commend the officers involved in this seizure, you have placed yourselves in harm’s way and put your lives at risk with the aim of keeping our nation safe. I also thank the public and especially those who see something and say something.”

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Commissioner Christopher concluded by saying, “We will maintain our intensity in the seizure of illegal firearms, and we will relentlessly pursue those bent on being involved in criminal activity.”

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