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Police Intercept Vehicle in High-Speed Chase- One Man Arrested, Cocaine, Firearm Seized

One man was arrested, a firearm and a quantity of cocaine were seized, when officers of the North Eastern Division (NED) Intelligence Unit intercepted a vehicle suspected to be involved in the transporting of narcotics and firearms.

On Friday 28th October, 2022 members of the NED Intelligence Unit were on mobile patrol in the Barataria district, when they received information of a Nissan B14 motor vehicle transporting narcotics and firearms, proceeding west along the Churchill Roosevelt Highway.

The officers made checks and observed the vehicle in question being driven in a dangerous manner north of the Maritime Roundabout in Barataria. They also observed the said vehicle make contact with another vehicle along the Churchill Roosevelt Highway Extension and failed to stop. As a result, the officers gave chase to intercept the vehicle, which then turned and continued driving in a dangerous manner into the Barataria district, making contact with several other vehicles.

The officers came alongside the said vehicle twice, identified themselves to the driver, and made attempts to intercept the vehicle. However, on both occasions the suspect pointed a firearm in their direction. The officers, seeing their lives were in imminent danger, discharged their police issued firearms in the direction of the suspect. The suspect lost control of his vehicle and crashed into a wall along Jogie Road, Barataria. The officers then observed that the suspect was injured and rendered assistance, the man was immediately conveyed to the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex to seek medical attention.

When officers searched the vehicle, they found and took possession of one Beretta nine-millimetre pistol fitted with one magazine, loaded with four rounds of nine-millimetre ammunition, along with one black packet containing a quantity cocaine, with a weight of one kilogram.

Enquiries are continuing.

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