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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

Nine Arrested, Firearms, Ammunition, Marijuana and Stolen Vehicle Seized in 48hrs

In anti- crime exercises in the Southern Division resulted in the arrest of nine persons, seizure of three firearms, ammunition, marijuana and the recovery of a stolen vehicle.

According to police reports, officers conducted an intelligence led operation in the Southern Division on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 between the hours of 3:00am and 12:30pm where six search warrants were executed.

A 19-year old, 21-year old and 20-year old man of Indian Walk, Moruga were charged for the possession of a firearm. While a 59-year old man of La Lune Road, Moruga and two other male suspects from Indian Walk, Moruga were subsequently charged for approximately eleven Genus Cannabis plants which were found at their homes during the execution of a warrant.

The exercise was coordinated by Snr. Supt. Soodeen, Asp. Phillip, Insp Ramlogan, and supervised by Sgt Joseph, Sgt Mason, Sgt Phoolchan, Cpl Lancaster.

In another report, a team of police officers from the South Western Division acting on information received, went to 1st Branch Local Road, Tableland, where a sliver Toyota Aqua, which was previously stolen from the Point Fortin Police District, was recovered. **A 26-year old man,** and **20- year old woman** of Chaguanas, were arrested in connection with this vehicle. PC Clement is continuing enquires.

Also, in the Western Division, officers from the Western Division Task Force conducted an anti-crime exercise between the hours of 1:30p.m and 3:00p.m Saturday 9th of March, 2024 in the Western Division. According to the police report, Pc Morgan conducted a search in the Richplain area and spotted a black plastic bag which contained a firearm and one round ammunition hidden in a dirt track. This exercise was coordinated by Snr Supt Henry and

Supt Williams, spearheaded by Asp Lynch and Insp Grant, and supervised by Ag Sgt Archibald and Cpl Robinson.

Later that said evening, **a 42-year old man**, was arrested and charged for the possession of a firearm and ammunition. Officers from the Western Division, acting on information received, conducted a search of a black Toyota Altis along Mucurapo Road in St James. Police officers stopped the vehicle and proceeded to search the occupant, on searching the car, they observed a multi-coloured knapsack in the back seat containing one AR 15 firearm loaded with 15 rounds of ammunition. Pc Morgan subsequently arrested the man for the offence.

Enquiries are continuing.

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