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Two Held, Four Killed in Police-Involved Shooting in NED

Quick work by officers of the North Eastern Division Task Force (NEDTF) led to the arrest of two suspects and the recovery of a quantity of stolen items following a report of robbery with aggravation against six victims and a subsequent police-involved shooting incident in the Barataria district, early this morning.

The victims told police they were at their Barataria home around 1:20am on Sunday 9th February 2020, when they observed a group of men standing in their front yard. The victims attempted to secure themselves in one of the rooms of the house, but the armed and masked intruders managed to enter the room and relieve the victims of a quantity of cash and other valuables before making their escape.

A report was made to the police and officers of the NEDTF who were on patrol in the district immediately responded and observed five male suspects attempting to escape in a white Nissan Almera motor vehicle.

Upon seeing the officers, the suspects shot at them. The officers returned fire in accordance with the Use of Force policy and wounded four of the suspects. The men were taken to hospital for treatment where they subsequently died. The fifth suspect managed to escape.

Two other suspects, both of Morvant, were held at the scene in connection with the incident.

Two of the deceased have been identified as Miguel Cox and Keshorn Cox, both of Chinapoo Village, Morvant. The other two are yet to be identified.

A quantity of the stolen items was recovered at the scene by officers.

Investigations are ongoing.

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