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Six Held and Three Firearms Seized in NED, CD and POSD

Six suspects were arrested and three firearms seized by officers during anti-crime exercises conducted in the North Eastern, Central and Port of Spain Divisions, yesterday into this morning.

Officers of the Morvant Criminal Investigations Department (CID), North Eastern Division Task Force, NED Gang and Intelligence Unit and personnel of the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force, were conducting an operation under the State of Emergency Regulations between 7:30 pm and 11:30 pm, on Sunday 5th January, 2025, when they responded to a report of shooting in the Malick district.

Upon arriving at the location, the officers observed a black Suzuki Swift motor vehicle abandoned along the roadway.

A search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of one Glock pistol loaded with a magazine containing six rounds of ammunition and one spent shell.

The vehicle was later found to be bearing false registration plates and had been reported stolen from the Central Division in December 2024.

Meanwhile, in the Central Division, Area South, Task Force officers conducted an exercise in the Couva and Freeport districts yesterday afternoon, during which they stopped a gold coloured Nissan Tiida motor vehicle at Siewdass Road.

A search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of one pistol loaded with a magazine containing six rounds of ammunition.

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The three occupants of the vehicle, two men, ages 20 and 33, and one woman, aged 27, were arrested in connection with the find.

In the Port of Spain Division, an Operation BLAST exercise, conducted in the Sea Lots district, early this morning, resulted in the arrest of three suspects and the seizure of one pistol loaded with 12 rounds of ammunition from a drawer that also contained a copy of the Bible.

Assistant Commissioner of Police, Tactical Support', Collis Hazel, commenting on the find said, "The criminal elements may be praying to not be brought to justice, but our prayers are stronger and we are backing it up with strong, determined police work. They would do well to remember, that no weapon formed against the TTPS and the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago, shall prosper."

Investigations are ongoing into the above matters.

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