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MEDIA RELEASE

Chaguanas Police Seize gun, ammunition

Two officers attached to the Chaguanas Police Station recovered one Mac-10 firearm, 25 rounds of nine-millimetre ammunition, and one black ski mask while on mobile patrol in the Central Division yesterday.

Around 2:45 pm on July 2nd 2021, PCs Chaitlal and Paul were on mobile patrol duty in the vicinity of the Chaguanas layby on the Southbound Lane, just off the Uriah Butler Highway. The officers observed a man dressed in dark clothing, behaving suspiciously, sitting behind some plants. The officers approached the man, who was also carrying a backpack. The officers began to question the man.

On being challenged by the officers, the suspect dropped the backpack and ran off.

The bag contained the firearm and a magazine loaded with 16 rounds of ammunition, as well as a black ski mask and a further nine rounds of ammunition in a transparent plastic bag for a total of 25 rounds of ammunition.

PC Paul gave chase, however, the assailant evaded the efforts of the officer.

The items were sent to the Special Evidence Recovery Unit for further testing. Investigations into the incident are continuing.

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