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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **Five Arrested, Firearms, Cocaine Seized During Police Operations**

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) remains steadfast in its mission to ensure public safety through proactive policing efforts. On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024, officers across multiple divisions conducted operations leading to several arrests and the seizure of illegal firearms and narcotics.

Between 9 pm and 12 midnight on December 6, 2024, a roving exercise was conducted in the St. Joseph Police District of the North Central Division. Acting on information, officers conducted a search at a bar in Curepe, where they found a suspect fitting the description of a man allegedly armed with a firearm. Upon searching the individual, officers seized one Taurus .40 calibre pistol along with eight rounds of .40 calibre ammunition. The suspect was arrested and is expected to face charges for Possession of Firearm and Ammunition.

Meanwhile, during an anti-crime exercise in the Southern Division, known drug blocks in the Princes Town and Tableland Police Districts were searched. Around 7:57 pm yesterday, officers proceeded to Church Street, Sixth Company, New Grant, where they searched a 38-year-old man and found one Beretta 9-mm pistol and 13 rounds of 9-mm ammunition. Police arrested the man who will be formally charged for Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition.

Between 8 pm and 11pm yesterday, an intelligence-led operation initiated in the Arima District of the Northern Division North led officers to New Lands Village, Guayaguayare. Acting on reliable intelligence, officers executed a search warrant at the home of a 40-year-old man, where they found a transparent plastic bag containing 64 grams of cocaine, concealed in the bathroom wall. Police seized the narcotics, valued at approximately \$7,000, and arrested the suspect who was taken to the Arima Police Station for processing.

Also, around 5:45 pm yesterday, IATF officers conducted a road check exercise in the Besson Street Police District, stopping a silver Nissan B15, with two occupants. The driver was unable to produce driving documents, having never been issued a driver's permit. During a search of the vehicle, officers discovered a yellow and green grocery bag containing 250 grams of cocaine. Both occupants were arrested in connection with the find.

Investigations are ongoing.

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