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MEDIA RELEASE

Arima Man Injured, Firearm Recovered Following Police-Involved Shooting

A 33-year-old Arima man is in stable but critical condition and a firearm has been recovered by officers, following a police-involved shooting in Arima yesterday.

According to a police report, around 11:55 am yesterday, officers of the Highway Patrol Branch were on mobile patrol proceeding along Guanapo Road, Arima. On reaching the vicinity of the bridge west of Pinto Road, they were alerted by a group of persons to a man running along the roadway.

Officers observed the man allegedly running with an object resembling a firearm in his hand. They alighted from the police vehicle and addressed the man who then allegedly pointed the firearm in the direction of the officers.

In keeping with the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service Use of Force policy, one of the officers discharged his firearm in the man's direction. The suspect fell to the ground and was observed to be wounded. He was immediately taken to the Arima Health Facility. A firearm fitted with a magazine was allegedly recovered at the scene. Enquiries are continuing.

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