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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **Two Appear in Court for New City Mall Robbery, Two Others Arrested**

Two men are expected to appear at the Port of Spain Magistrates' Court today, after they were charged with Robbery with Violence.

**DENZIL WALCOTT** of Duncan Street, Port of Spain and **JUSTIN CUPID** of Jackson Hill, East Dry River, Port of Spain, were arrested and charged after WPC Fletcher under the supervision of Insp Ishmael, Sgt Ramlogan and A/Cpl Hosein continued enquires into a robbery incident, which occurred on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 at New City Mall, Port of Spain

Two other suspects were arrested yesterday during an Operation Blue Line exercise which was conducted by the Port of Spain Criminal Investigations Department (CID) Operations team under the supervision of Snr Supt Ramkhelawan, Supt Pariman, and coordinated by Cpl Rambaran, Cpl Kennedy, PC Jawahir, PC Brown, PC O 'Garro, and PC Dover. During the exercise, the mentioned officers proceeded to Duncan Street 'Plannings', where two male persons were arrested in relation to the said report of robbery at New City Mall.

Another suspect who was shot and wounded by Port of Spain Municipal Police officers after he attacked them with a cutlass, remains warded at the Port of Spain General Hospital.

According to police reports, around 10:30 am on the said day, a proprietor of a store located at New City Mall, Port of Spain was at the mall, when five men approached him and grabbed his chain from his neck. A struggle ensued, however, the assailants were able to escape. While pursuing the five men, the businessman observed his employee running towards him. As he approached his other store booth, he observed approximately 20 men removing items from his store and placing them in black garbage bags.

Upon seeing this, he closed the door and locked it with the said men inside and sought assistance from the mall security. The men then began kicking the door which shattered, causing the business owner to be cut about his body. The assailants escaped by running in different directions. When the businessman returned to his business place, he observed two black garbage bags filled with items from his store, namely clothing, shoes and hats.

Investigations are ongoing.

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