

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 416

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE EMERGENCY POWERS REGULATIONS, 2026

ORDER

MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE EMERGENCY POWERS
REGULATIONS, 2026

DETENTION ORDER

WHEREAS it is enacted by regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, that the provisions of the Schedule shall have effect for the purpose of the preventive detention of persons:

And whereas it is provided in paragraph 2 of the Schedule of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, that the Minister may, if satisfied with respect to any person that, with a view to preventing him from acting in any manner prejudicial to public safety and that it is necessary to provide for his preventive detention, make an order that he be detained and stating concisely the grounds for such detention:

And whereas it is further provided in paragraph 3(1) of the Schedule of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, that any person in respect of whom a detention order is in force may be arrested without warrant by any police officer and may be detained in such place and under such conditions as the Minister may from time to time direct:

And whereas I, the Honourable Roger Alexander, Minister of Homeland Security, am satisfied with respect to, JASINIHO BONEO also known as “ELMO” of No. 18 Sesame Street, Tunapuna, also residing at Upper Fairley Street, Bamboo Trace, Tunapuna, that it is necessary to provide for his preventive detention with a view to preventing him from acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety:

Now, therefore, I, the Honourable Roger Alexander, Minister of Homeland Security, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me, do hereby order that the said JASINIHO BONEO also known as “ELMO” of No. 18 Sesame Street, Tunapuna, also residing at Upper Fairley Street, Bamboo Trace, Tunapuna, shall be detained at the Eastern Correctional Rehabilitation Centre located at Santa Rosa, Arima, or such other place as I may from time to time direct as the place where

the said JASINIHO BONEO also known as “ELMO” of No. 18 Sesame Street, Tunapuna, also residing at Upper Fairley Street, Bamboo Trace, Tunapuna, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 3rd day of June, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

TAKE NOTICE that the grounds upon which this detention order is made are as follows:

The detainee, JASINIHO BONEO also known as “ELMO” has been credibly identified as a primary operative and armed enforcer within a violent faction of an Organised Crime Group (‘OCG’) within the definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, known as the “ABG Resistance”. This group utilises firearms and a “violence-mandatory” tactical approach to execute rapid-succession armed robberies throughout the Tunapuna and El Dorado policing districts, systematically destabilising local commerce and undermining public safety during the current State of Emergency. The detainee, acting in concert with a fellow OCG member, engaged in a rapid-succession armed crime spree on Sunday 22nd March, 2026. Confidential intelligence and law enforcement investigations reveal that the detainee, acting under direct OCG orders, possesses advanced insider information regarding local commercial cash flows and intends to imminently execute a further armed assault targeting Fred’s Meat Shop near the Tunapuna Market to steal a sum exceeding \$200,000 TTD. His continued liberty poses an immediate, serious threat to public safety and national security due to a documented pattern of violent organised crime, a structured multi-offender operational method designed to evade law enforcement response times, and a clear risk of witness intimidation that has already caused vital eyewitnesses to withhold statements out of fear for their lives.

A Preventive Detention Order pursuant to regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, is necessary to disrupt these imminent criminal plans, protect the public from further weaponized violence, and prevent him from acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety.

Made this 3rd day of June, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security