

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 625

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 KASEEM SAMPSON of No. 71 Hellshire Avenue, Tarodale, 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 KASEEM SAMPSON of No. 71 Hellshire Avenue, Tarodale, 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 KASEEM SAMPSON of No. 71 Hellshire Avenue, Tarodale, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 3rd day of August, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

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

The detainee, KASEEM SAMPSON has been credibly linked through confidential intelligence to an Informal Criminal Group and gang engaged in the illicit sale and distribution of illegal firearms and ammunition within the Southern Division. On 25th July, 2026, he was found travelling in motor vehicle registration number PEL 4779, from which officers recovered a concealed Taurus PT92 pistol fitted with a magazine containing twelve (12) rounds of 9mm ammunition. The detainee was unable to lawfully account for the possession of the firearm and ammunition and confirmed that he was not the holder of a Firearm User's Licence or otherwise authorised to possess either. Following his arrest, he declined to provide any explanation during police interview. Intelligence further associates him with the illicit trafficking of firearms and ammunition. His continued liberty presents a real and immediate threat to public safety by facilitating the continued unlawful circulation of firearms and ammunition. His preventive detention is therefore necessary to disrupt those activities and prevent him from acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety. A Preventive Detention Order pursuant to regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, is therefore necessary.

Made this 3rd day of August, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security