

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 631

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 NEIL CONRAD POLEON of Lamont Street, Longdenville, 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 NEIL CONRAD POLEON of Lamont Street, Longdenville, 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 NEIL CONRAD POLEON of Lamont Street, Longdenville, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 5th 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, NEIL CONRAD POLEON has been credibly identified as a member of an Organised Crime Group ('OCG') known to law enforcement as the "Lamont Street Gang". The OCG has confirmed access to a cache of firearms and ammunition and is engaged in the trafficking of firearms, ammunition, illegal narcotics, shootings and murder. The detainee is the supplier and facilitator for the OCG whose regional and international criminal contacts supports the OCG's trafficking of firearms, ammunition and illegal narcotics. Confidential intelligence links the detainee and others to recent attacks using firearms which are part of a larger developing conflict between this OCG and another OCG, as well as, a recent larceny of a large quantity of firearms and ammunition from a Municipal Police Station. Further intelligence links the detainee and others to a recent discovery of a large quantity of high-velocity ammunition which are intended to be trafficked and used imminently in retaliatory attacks on gang rivals in public places which threaten public safety.

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

Made this 5th day of August, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security