

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 636

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 DARWIN BROWN of Light Pole No. 63, Maingot Road, 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 DARWIN BROWN of Light Pole No. 63, Maingot Road, 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 DARWIN BROWN of Light Pole No. 63, Maingot Road, Tunapuna, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 21st day of April, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

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

The detainee, DARWIN BROWN is identified as being in charge of leading and operating the members of the ABG/Resistance Gang ABG/Resistance Organised Crime Group (OCG), an “OCG” within the meaning of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, which is involved in narcotics trafficking, armed robberies, and retaliatory shootings. Intelligence indicates the detainee is actively recruiting new members and maintains access to high-powered firearms stored at undisclosed locations. The detainee has issued “shoot on sight” instructions against rival gang members, posing an immediate threat to public safety. The detainee was involved in a violent confrontation on 9th February, 2026, where gang members used high-powered rifles to open fire on police officers. It is assessed that a Preventive Detention Order is the only effective means to prevent him from acting in a manner prejudicial to the maintenance of public safety.

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

Made this 21st day of April, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security