

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 647

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 ARCHARSON GUMBS also known as “SHAWN EDWARDS” of No. 34 Petit Morne Settlement, Ste. Madeleine and also of No. 43 Tarouba Road, Marabella and also of No. 53 Tarouba Extension, Marabella and also of No. 63 Tarouba Road, Marabella, 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 ARCHARSON GUMBS also known as

“SHAWN EDWARDS” of No. 34 Petit Morne Settlement, Ste. Madeleine and also of No. 43 Tarouba Road, Marabella and also of No. 53 Tarouba Extension, Marabella and also of No. 63 Tarouba Road, Marabella, 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 ARCHARSON GUMBS also known as “SHAWN EDWARDS” of No. 34 Petit Morne Settlement, Ste. Madeleine and also of No. 43 Tarouba Road, Marabella and also of No. 53 Tarouba Extension, Marabella and also of No. 63 Tarouba Road, Marabella, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 11th 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, ARCHARSON GUMBS also known as “SHAWN EDWARDS” has been credibly identified through confidential intelligence as an armed lookout that provides surveillance and protection for a known drug block. The detainee and others are credibly linked to the distribution and sale of illegal narcotics at the location and environs. The detainee is credibly linked to the monitoring of police activities in the area and the provision of that information to his affiliates and other OCGs which negatively impacts police exercises in the area. Further intelligence indicates that the detainee and others intend to imminently escalate their activities which are prejudicial to 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 11th day of August, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security