

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 287

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE EMERGENCY POWERS REGULATIONS, 2025

ORDER

MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE EMERGENCY POWERS
REGULATIONS, 2025

DETENTION ORDER

WHEREAS it is enacted by regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2025, 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, 2025, 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, 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, 2025, 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 JASON PAUL also called “BUCK”, “BUCKMAN” and “BMAN” of Light Pole No. 7, San Pedro Road, Valencia Old Road, Valencia, 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 of Trinidad and Tobago:

Now, therefore, I, the Honourable Roger Alexander, Minister of Homeland Security, in exercise of the powers conferred on me, do hereby order that the said JASON PAUL also called “BUCK”,

“BUCKMAN” and “BMAN” of Light Pole No. 7, San Pedro Road, Valencia Old Road, Valencia, shall be detained, and do hereby authorise 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 JASON PAUL also called “BUCK”, “BUCKMAN” and “BMAN” of Light Pole No. 7, San Pedro Road, Valencia Old Road, Valencia, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 1st day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

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

The detainee, JASON PAUL also called “BUCK”, “BUCKMAN” and “BMAN” (hereinafter referred to as “the detainee”), has been identified as a gang leader with responsibility for his faction of the Resistance Gang based in the Valencia Community.

The detainee has confessed in a caution interview that he has engaged and is expected to continue to engage in acts of violence by planning, directing, procuring and supervising gang activity for the gang. He has admitted to arming gang members with firearms and giving them instructions from the gang leader to engage in acts of kidnapping against the business community and to kill state officials, including members of the TTPS, Prison Service, and the Judiciary.

Corroborated Confidential Informants provide evidence that the detainee is a suspect in the kidnapping of Satie Karim on 17th July, 2025, and the murder of Kevin Paul on 10th July, 2025. A search of his home on 22nd July, 2025, uncovered ammunition. In an interview on 28th July, 2025, he admitted to having “soldiers” who sell weed for him and are awaiting his instructions. He also stated his intention upon release to “deal with his rival, 7 gang.” He admitted to having high-powered rifles and arms that he plans to use against the State and members of the protective services. The detainee identified Robert Paul as the main gang leader he gets instructions from and Rajae Ali as the person he purchases firearms from.

He claims to have already killed 30 people and intends to kill more upon his release. He also admits to planning to kill members of the Protective Services and has a “glaring disrespect” for police officers in Valencia.

The detainee is a second cousin to Robert Paul, the overall leader of the Resistance Gang, and communicates with him regularly, receiving instructions that he executes. He claims to be a leader, not a shooter, and that he “runs” Valencia. He is also named in a social media voice note about plans to execute police officers, prison officers, and members of the Judiciary.

The gang warfare between the Resistance Gang and the Seven Gang has led to a sharp increase in firearm-related offences, including homicides and shootings, since April, 2025. Shootings have occurred in public places with high-powered rifles, posing a high risk of collateral damage to the public.

Made this 1st day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security