Legal Notice No. 291

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 JAHEEM EDWARDS of 62, Second Hamlet Street, St. Barbs, 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 JAHEEM EDWARDS of 62, Second Hamlet Street, St. Barbs, 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 JAHEEM EDWARDS of 62, Second Hamlet Street, St. Barbs, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 2nd 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, JAHEEM EDWARDS, (hereinafter referred to as "the detainee"), is known to be involved in violent robberies and firearm incidents. He has prior charges for robbery and is suspected to be active in current operations. Police sources believe he is being mentored by senior gang members to carry out violent roles. Intelligence places him within the operational chain, serving in both surveillance and support roles, with particular involvement in the handling and concealment of stolen property post-robbery. The intelligence suggests that this group, of which the detainee is a part, is currently regrouping and planning additional armed robberies targeting high-yield commercial establishments, cash transporters, and business owners. He and related persons are involved in a series of coordinated, firearm-enabled robberies, tactical gang operations, and planned criminal activity, which pose an immediate and significant threat to public safety and national security.

Made this 2nd day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER Minister of Homeland Security