

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 293

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 MICHAEL JESSOP also called “JUNIOR” of Light Pole No. 44, Upper St. Barbs Road, Laventille, 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 MICHAEL JESSOP also called “JUNIOR” of Light Pole No. 44, Upper St. Barbs Road, Laventille, 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 MICHAEL JESSOP also called “JUNIOR” of Light Pole No. 44, Upper St. Barbs Road, Laventille, 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, MICHAEL JESSOP also called “JUNIOR”, (hereinafter referred to as “the detainee”), was apprehended close to the scene after the Seven-11 Casino robbery and has been identified as a suspect in several robberies. He is a known affiliate and planner of robberies. He was in possession of a radio used to communicate with the persons in the casino. He was also caught on video footage in another robbery for which charges are to be laid. 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 believed to be 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*