Legal Notice No. 302

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 HAKEEM HERCULES also called "KILLY" of 2036, Bois Jean Jean, Moruga, 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 HAKEEM HERCULES also called "KILLY" of 2036, Bois Jean Jean, Moruga, 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 HAKEEM HERCULES also called "KILLY" of 2036, Bois Jean Jean, Moruga, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 15th 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, HAKEEM HERCULES also called "KILLY", is a member of an Organized Crime Group (OCG) within the legal definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, actively engaged in violent and high-risk criminal activity. He is involved in scouting, vehicle theft, and firearms procurement. He was directed to source firearms and ammunition for the OCG which is intended to be used in imminent attacks on the OCG's rivals in public spaces. Intelligence indicates that he is the driver of a known transport for a planned armed home invasion. He was also arrested in connection with stolen vehicles and parts, confirming his ongoing involvement in the criminal enterprise. He is an active participant in the execution of imminent reprisal killings and assaults against rival gangs using high powered rifles in public spaces. A Preventive Detention Order pursuant to regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2025, is necessary to prevent him from acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety.

Made this 15th day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

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