

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 303

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 OMARION MELVILLE of Light Pole No. 52, Village Council Street, 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 OMARION MELVILLE of Light Pole No. 52, Village Council Street, 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 OMARION MELVILLE of Light Pole No. 52, Village Council Street, Laventille, 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, OMARION MELVILLE, (hereinafter referred to as “the detainee”), has been credibly identified as a robbery suspect and has been arrested in connection with multiple firearm-related offences. He is believed to serve as an active participant in robbery execution and was identified *via* footage and witness statements as being present during a scouting operation in the St. James District on the night prior to a robbery. His involvement in past violent crimes and persistent presence in gang areas underline his role as a danger to public order and safety. The intelligence suggests that this gang, of which the detainee is a part, is currently regrouping and planning imminent violent 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 15th day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security