

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 315

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 KEVIN BRANDON MODESTE of 104, Upper Laventille Road, 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 KEVIN BRANDON MODESTE of 104, Upper Laventille Road, 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 KEVIN BRANDON MODESTE of 104, Upper Laventille Road, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 18th 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, KEVIN BRANDON MODESTE (hereinafter referred to as “the detainee”), is a known member of an Organised Crime Group (OCG) within the legal definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, which is actively involved in armed robbery of high-profile targets and home invasions. The OCG has access to a cache of high-powered rifles which are used in their activities. He has a history of firearm-related offences. The detainee and others plan to imminently attack several high-profile targets and stage armed robberies using high-powered rifles in public spaces. This poses a clear and present threat to public safety. His detention is necessary to disrupt their planned criminal enterprise and safeguard the national population. 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 18th day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security