

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 317

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 HAMID ASHRAP ALI of No. 328 Melodians Crescent, Malabar, Arima, and also of Lot No. 279, Rose Drive Extension, Carapo, Arima, 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 HAMID ASHRAP ALI of No. 328 Melodians Crescent, Malabar, Arima and also of Lot No. 279, Rose Drive Extension, Carapo, Arima shall be detained, and do hereby authorise the Remand Prison, Golden Grove, located at Golden Grove, Arouca, or

such other place as I may from time to time direct, as the place where the said HAMID ASHRAP ALI of No. 328 Melodians Crescent, Malabar, Arima and also of Lot No. 279, Rose Drive Extension, Carapo, Arima, 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, HAMID ASHRAP ALI, has been credibly identified as a member of a gang within the legal definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, known as the Radical Islamic Criminal Gang. He and others have conspired with the GR8 Gang Alliance to imminently carry out targeted killings of law enforcement officers and other public officials in public spaces and to traffick in prohibited articles within the Maximum Security Prison. He has been able to communicate and engage in gang activity despite his incarceration in Maximum Security Prison and at Teteron, Staubles Bay and is an immediate threat to public safety. His further detention is necessary as he has shown that he has the means and resources to continue to engage in gang activity despite his present incarceration and is a threat to the safety of the public.

There is a real risk and clear and present danger to members of the public and to public officials including members of the protective services that can become a reality unless he is preventively detained. A Preventive Detention Order pursuant to regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2025, is needed as information indicates that he has and intends to act in a manner prejudicial to public safety.

Made this 18th day of August, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security