

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 395

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE EMERGENCY POWERS REGULATIONS, 2026

ORDER

MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE EMERGENCY POWERS
REGULATIONS, 2026

DETENTION ORDER

WHEREAS it is enacted by regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, 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, 2026, 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 that 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, 2026, 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 SHONDELL LLOYD JUNIOR JAMES also known as “BLACKS” of Light Pole No. 53, Oliver Trace, Champ Fleurs, 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:

Now, therefore, I, the Honourable Roger Alexander, Minister of Homeland Security, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me, do hereby order that the said SHONDELL LLOYD JUNIOR JAMES also known as “BLACKS” of Light Pole No. 53, Oliver Trace, Champ Fleurs, shall be detained at the Remand Prison, Golden Grove, Arouca, or such

other place as I may from time to time direct as the place where the said SHONDELL LLOYD JUNIOR JAMES also known as “BLACKS” of Light Pole No. 53, Oliver Trace, Champ Fleurs, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 29th day of May, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security

TAKE NOTICE that the grounds upon which this detention order is made are as follows:

The detainee, SHONDELL LLOYD JUNIOR JAMES also called “BLACKS” has been credibly identified as a leader of an Organised Criminal Group (‘OCG’) within the meaning of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021, namely the “Mt. d’Or Strike Force” (MSF), which operates as a direct faction of the “6ixx” OCG. The OCG has confirmed access to a cache of firearms and ammunition, including rifles and handguns, and is actively engaged in murders, conspiracy to commit murder and witness intimidation within the St. Joseph district and environs. The detainee has command and leadership authority over the group’s lethal operations. Credible confidential intelligence reveals that the detainee and the OCG have demonstrated a continuing capacity to execute violent acts and orchestrate post-incident witness intimidation, including issuing orders while in police custody that resulted in the retaliatory firebombing of a vehicle belonging to a relative of a deceased victim. The detainee and others intend to imminently continue their participation in organised criminal activity, eliminate police informants, escalate violent attacks as part of a gang conflict in public spaces using firearms.

A Preventive Detention Order pursuant to regulation 14 of the Emergency Powers Regulations, 2026, is necessary to disrupt these plans and prevent him from acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety.

Made this 29th day of May, 2026.

R. ALEXANDER
Minister of Homeland Security