

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 393

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, 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, 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 LAWRENCE NATHANIEL DIAZ also called “MAX” also called “ABDUL MALIK” also called “MOLIK” of 22, Dibe Road, Long Circular Road, St. James and also No. 20 First Street East, Cane Farm Avenue, Tacarigua, 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 upon me, hereby

order that the said LAWRENCE NATHANIEL DIAZ also called “MAX” also called “ABDUL MALIK” also called “MOLIK” of 22, Dibe Road, Long Circular Road, St. James and also No. 20 First Street East, Cane Farm Avenue, Tacarigua, shall be detained in 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 LAWRENCE NATHANIEL DIAZ also called “MAX” also called “ABDUL MALIK” also called “MOLIK” of 22, Dibe Road, Long Circular Road, St. James and also No. 20 First Street East, Cane Farm Avenue, Tacarigua, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 15th day of September, 2025.

**R. ALEXANDER**  
*Minister of Homeland Security*

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

The detainee, LAWRENCE NATHANIEL DIAZ also called “MAX” also called “ABDUL MALIK” also called “MOLIK”, has been credibly identified as the leader of the Dibe Hill Gang which is an Organised Crime Group (‘OCG’) within the legal definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021. The said group is responsible for murders, robberies, extortion, kidnappings, and firearms trafficking. The detainee and others are conspiring to imminently commit kidnappings for ransom to raise money for legal fees and bail of their associates. The OCG possesses a cache of high-powered and modified firearms which are intended for use in the planned kidnappings 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 September, 2025.

**R. ALEXANDER**  
*Minister of Homeland Security*