Legal Notice No. 343

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 TRESTON NICHOLAS PEGUS also known as "GUSSY" also known as "P MAN" of No. 46 Lowkie Trace, Penal and also of No. 1 Quinam Road, Siparia, 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 TRESTON NICHOLAS PEGUS also known as "GUSSY" also known as "P MAN" of No. 46 Lowkie Trace, Penal and also of No. 1 Quinam Road, Siparia, 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 TRESTON NICHOLAS PEGUS also known as "GUSSY" also known as "P MAN" of No. 46 Lowkie Trace, Penal and also of No. 1 Quinam Road, Siparia, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 8th 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, TRESTON NICHOLAS PEGUS also known as "GUSSY" also known as "P MAN", is the leader of an Organised Crime Group (OCG) called the Pegus Gang within the legal definition of the Anti-Gang Act, 2021 that is affiliated with the Radical Islamic OCG. The detainee and others are engaged in extortion, murder and trafficking in firearms. The detainee and others plan to imminently escalate expansion plans targeting rival gangs using public shootings and retaliatory killings using high-powered firearms.

The detention of this individual is therefore necessary to disrupt the group's operational planning and to prevent further acts of violence that pose a clear and present threat to public safety.

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 8th day of September, 2025.

R. ALEXANDER

Minister of Homeland Security