

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 344

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 MALIQUE NERO also called “FATBOY” of Light Pole No. 5, Bypass Road, Maturita Extension, 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:

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 MALIQUE NERO also called “FATBOY” of Light Pole No. 5, Bypass Road, Maturita Extension, Arima, shall be detained at 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 MALIQUE NERO also called “FATBOY” of Light Pole No. 5, Bypass Road, Maturita Extension, Arima, shall be detained and so kept in lawful custody.

Made this 7th 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, MALIQUE NERO also called “FATBOY”, through investigative intelligence as a prominent member and close associate within the La Retreat Gang hierarchy. He is allegedly involved in the operational execution of gang directives, including participation in organised criminal conduct and planned acts of reprisal violence within the Arima district. Given the nature of his associations and the threat of escalating retaliatory violence, his detention is required to preserve public safety and prevent conduct likely to generate fear and disorder.

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

Made this 7th day of May, 2026.

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