



**Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago**

**Ministry of Defence**

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Claims that Colombian paramilitary groups entering eastern Venezuela through Trinidad and Tobago**

**Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago** – The Ministry of Defence is aware of recent reports concerning a claim made by the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, alleging the infiltration by Colombian paramilitary groups into eastern Venezuela through Trinidad and Tobago.

In response to these claims, the Ministry of Defence has initiated a comprehensive investigation. Preliminary findings indicate that there is currently no evidence to support these allegations. However, the Ministry is taking immediate and decisive steps to address the matter with the utmost seriousness and urgency.

As part of our ongoing commitment to national security, the Ministry is working in close coordination with law enforcement agencies and security forces to enhance surveillance and reinforce border security in critical areas. Additionally, we will be engaging with our Venezuelan counterparts through the appropriate diplomatic channels to gather any relevant information or evidence that could assist in this matter.

The safety and security of our citizens remain our highest priority. The public can be assured that the Ministry is closely monitoring the situation and will continue to provide timely and credible updates through the usual communication channels.

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