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**PRESS RELEASE**

***RSVGPF Officers Complete Inaugural All Arms Drill Course with Distinction***

**September 5, 2024 - Kingstown:** The Royal St. Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force (RSVGPF) proudly congratulates Sergeant 172 Atnel Ash and Sergeant 652 Omaro Thomas on their recent successful completion of the inaugural All Arms Drill Course (AADC) 2401. Their participation in this rigorous training program, hosted by the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Military Academy, underscores their willingness to maintain the highest standards of discipline and operational readiness. The course, which ran from Monday, June 3, 2024, to Friday, August 23, 2024, was held at the Teteron Barracks, Chaguaramas, Trinidad and Tobago.

The All Arms Drill Course is a specialized training initiative designed to qualify members of national security organizations to execute and teach drill with precision. It also equips participants with the skills to plan and advise on ceremonial procedures and protocols for parades. The program graduated 17 participants from a variety of security agencies, including the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force, Police Service, Fire Service, Prison Service, Cadet Force, and Scout Association, along with representatives from the RSVGPF.

Throughout the 12-week course, Sergeants Ash and Thomas gained an in-depth understanding of the history, theory, and practical execution of drill. The training covered several essential aspects, including ceremonial parades, squad control, word of command, foot drill, rifle drill, pace stick drill, sword drill, and cane drill. Their training ensures that they are well-prepared to lead and train others in these fundamental skills.

On behalf of the Commissioner of Police and the entire rank and file of the RSVGPF, we extend heartfelt congratulations to Sergeants Ash and Thomas on this outstanding achievement. Their diligence and fortitude have not only brought pride to our noble constabulary but have also set an exemplary standard for other officers to follow. Their success reflects the RSVGPF's ongoing commitment to excellence and continuous improvement.

Sergeants Ash and Thomas are currently stationed at the Police Training Academy in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. They are eager to share their newly acquired expertise with recruits entering the RSVGPF, as well as their fellow officers. Their involvement in training and development will contribute significantly to enhancing the standards of drill instruction within the organization.

Drill is an integral part of police and military training, as it instills discipline, teamwork, and confidence. It ensures that officers are alert, obedient, and proud of their role in maintaining law and order. The skills learned through this course will undoubtedly help elevate the standard of ceremonial duties and operational efficiency within the RSVGPF.

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