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24th August 2011

Dear Valued Member

The following main points were highlighted in the press conference today: Below is a brief updated based on the press conference today:

- In the past 12 hours there have been 26 independent military operations and 2 joint patrols
- Areas include: Arima, Chaguanas, San Fernando, Port of Spain, Maraval
- Special attention: Tomato Trace, Diego Martin
- Coastguard increased maritime patrols – Tobago: 3 persons detained for drugs
- Air guard – increased patrols over eastern/northern coastlines.
- Monitoring movement in non-hotspots
- In terms of crime the latest report as indicated by the Commissioner indicated that 117 arrests / 56 gang related/ 48 drug related/ 4 firearms/ 1 homicide/8 other serious crimes/18 rounds of ammunition/ 1 cartridge

Additionally please note the following updates from the Port Authority and Airport Authority:

Port of Point Lisas:

Temporary working arrangements would be adopted by the Port's Cargo Handling Department, on a three shift system basis with immediate effect.

- **First Shift** - to commence at 0700 hrs and complete at 1400 hrs with a meal break from 1100 -1130 hrs.
- **Second Shift** - to commence at 1400 hrs and complete at 1900 hrs with a staggered meal break from 1600 - 1700 hrs, based on operational requirements.



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- **Third Shift** - to commence at 2000 hrs and complete at 0400 hrs with a meal break from 0000 - 0030 hrs.
- **Free Delivery on Saturdays:** The Port of Point Lisas will also be offering free delivery and receipt of containers on Saturdays, commencing on 27th August 2011 and continuing until such time when the restriction is lifted. This arrangement will be from 0700 to 1500 hrs only.
- **Upcoming Public Holidays:** As a result of the two upcoming Public Holidays – Independence Day (August 31) and Eid-ul-Fitr (September 1), free delivery and receipt of containers is also being considered, **on a request basis**, for Sunday August 28, 2011 from 0700 – 1500 hrs.

In this regard interested customers are asked to submit written requests to the following personnel, no later than 1300 hrs on **Friday 26th August 2011**, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

- Mr. Clint Duncan
Manager, Cargo Handling
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Development Corporation Ltd.
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Please note that this service would only be provided on Sunday August 28, 2011, once ample requests are received.

Airports Authority:

The Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago (AATT) has advised that persons who have scheduled flights, and /or are required to check in during the hours of the curfew, should visit the nearest Police Station in their district with their Passports and documents confirming air travel. This will facilitate the issuance of a Curfew Permit. Persons wishing to collect arriving passengers at the Piarco International Airport are also asked to visit their nearest Police station, with two forms of ID, in order to obtain curfew permits.



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A Police Booth has been established near to the Information Booth at the Airport to facilitate the issuance of Curfew Permits to passengers arriving in Trinidad and Tobago at the Piarco International Airport. This will grant authorisation for persons leaving the Airport for various destinations between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5 a.m. Airport taxi drivers will also be issued with passes to transport arriving passengers. Passengers should retain all travel documents as proof of their travel.

For flight information, please call 669-4880 exts. 4145/4147 or contact your airline for more details. For more information visit the AATT website www.tntairports.com.

Port of Port of Spain (PPOS):

PPOS has advised that generally they have agreed with the Union that the Port will have two twelve (12) hour shifts for vessel operations - one commencing at 07:00hrs and ending at 19:00hrs and the other commencing at 19:00hrs and ending at 07:00hrs.

Gate operations will be one twelve (12) hour shift commencing at 07:00hrs and ending at 19:00hrs.

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