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T&T CHAMBER ADVOCATES ACTION ON CRIME

Recent statements attributed to Acting Commissioner of Police (CoP), Stephen Williams, clearly signal the disconnect between perception and reality, and do nothing to quell the profound fear and absolute frustration citizens experience daily in Trinidad and Tobago.

The T&T Chamber calls upon the Acting Commissioner to take firm and immediate action to address the spiraling crime situation in our beloved country. The Commissioner, and those under his stewardship, must be held accountable for the abysmal detection rate.

We maintain that while the Police remain at the frontline in combatting criminal activity, the responsibility extends to every institution – be it government, opposition, judiciary, civil society and every citizen of our beleaguered country.

The Government and Opposition must fulfil their commitment to cooperate in the fight against crime, and demonstrate that resolve by enacting critical and necessary legislation - such as the Anti-Gang Act.

Let us begin the serious work required to stem the devastating effects of crime. We firmly believe that no amount of work or inconvenience is too great, when the rewards we are likely to reap are far-reaching, positive and all-inclusive.

What is needed first and foremost is far less talk, and more action. To those with the responsibility: we demand accountability.

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