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T&T Chamber supports all measures to ensure confidence in the Police Service

The unprecedented and unsettling increase in serious crime has significantly impacted the public's confidence in the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS). This low confidence is attributed to the apparent inability of the TTPS to prevent, detect and successfully prosecute crimes, and noticeably root out rogue elements within its ranks. It is an established fact that the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) suffers from low public confidence, largely as a result of perceived corruption within its ranks.

We all concur that more must be done to address the issue of rogue officers within the TTPS and enhance its ability to prevent and detect crime. The Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry and Commerce fully supports any and all strategies within the parameters of the law that the Police Commissioner has at his disposal to improve the integrity of the TTPS, including the use of polygraph testing.

Polygraph testing is a well-established diagnostic tool that is used in several countries worldwide (for example, in parts of Israel, Jamaica, the USA and Australia) to assess persons in sensitive positions. The TTPS might very well find that administration of such testing could have a positive impact upon morale within the service as well as to raise public confidence.

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