

### MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY ADVANCES COLLABORATION WITH CANADA WITH SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**Port of Spain:** Efforts to bolster Trinidad and Tobago's relations with Canada continue following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Correctional Service of Canada and the Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service. The MOU covers the sharing of information and expertise, including the provision of technical assistance and training.

Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P presided over the signing and was joined by High Commissioner of Canada to Trinidad and Tobago His Excellency Kumar Gupta for a brief Signing Ceremony on Wednesday January 26, 2022 at the Ministry of National Security's Office at Tower C, International Waterfront Complex, Port of Spain.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed by Commissioner of Prisons Mr. Dennis Pulchan, on behalf of the Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service.

The MOU demonstrates the further strengthening of partnership between Trinidad and Tobago and Canada, in the field of Corrections, which continues to contribute meaningfully to domestic, regional and international security.

Minister Hinds, High Commissioner Gupta and Commissioner Pulchan reinforced their commitment to furthering the collaborative relationship between the two countries, to expedite the local process of Restorative Justice.

Also in attendance were Permanent Secretary (Ag.) in the Ministry of National Security Ms. Nataki Atiba-Dilchan; Deputy Commissioners of Prisons (Ag.) Mr. Deopersad Ramoutar, Mr. Sherwin Bruce and Mr. Hayden Forde; and Deputy Director, International Affairs Unit, Ministry of National Security, Major (Ret'd) Richard Lynch.

### **Photos and captions:**



 Commissioner of Prisons Mr. Dennis Pulchan signs a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service and the Correctional Service of Canada. Witnessing the signing is Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. (centre) and High Commissioner of Canada to Trinidad and Tobago His Excellency Kumar Gupta. The Signing Ceremony took place on Wednesday January 26, 2022 at the Ministry of National Security's Office at Tower C, International Waterfront Complex, Port of Spain.



2. The Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service and the Correctional Service of Canada sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to cover the sharing of information and expertise, including the provision of technical assistance and training. From left to right: Commissioner of Prisons Mr. Dennis Pulchan; Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P.; and High Commissioner of Canada to Trinidad and Tobago His Excellency Kumar Gupta. The Signing Ceremony took place on Wednesday January 26, 2022 at the Ministry of National Security's Office at Tower C, International Waterfront Complex, Port of Spain.

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