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STRENGTHENING TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S RESILIENCE TO DISASTERS



On Tuesday March 01, 2022, Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P., along with Minister of Rural Development and Local Government, Senator the Honourable Kazim Hosein, met with a visiting delegation from the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) Regional Office for the Americas and the Caribbean at the Ministry of National Security's Head Office, Abercromby Street, Port of Spain.

The delegation is in Trinidad and Tobago to provide support to the ODPM in achieving the targets and objectives set within the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, which was approved by Cabinet for adoption in Trinidad and Tobago.

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Discussions focused on the development of activities related to major UNDRR-ODPM projects, which include the implementation of the Climate Risk Early Warning Systems (CREWS) in the Caribbean initiative; implementation of the CREWS Global Project for Measuring Effectiveness of Early Warning Systems (EWS) in Small Island Developing States (SIDS); support on the design and finalization of Trinidad and Tobago's national and local strategies for disaster risk reduction (Country Work Programmes) and National Adaptation Plans.

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COAST GUARD OFFICERS TRAINED TO IDENTIFY HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Over 440 Coast Guard Officers are now equipped with the necessary expertise to Effectively Screen persons for Human Trafficking Indicators. Training was provided by the Ministry of National Security's Counter Trafficking Unit (CTU), in an effort to prevent and suppress Human Trafficking exercises at our nation's sea borders.



Eight training sessions were conducted over the past two months. The final leg of training happened this week on March 02 and 03, 2022 at the Heliport Base, Chaguaramas, with participation from 28 specially identified border officers.

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TACKLING CRIME THROUGH PAN



The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service's Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF), the Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds, M.P., the Minister of Sport and Community Development, the Honourable Shamfa Cudjoe, M.P. and representatives of the Rotary Club of Port of Spain signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Saturday 26 February, 2022, to launch the Beetham Vibrations Steel Orchestra.

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The initiative is geared towards strengthening partnerships within the community and providing a safe, fun space for residents to recreate and learn culture. The IATF will coordinate tutoring of community members who will populate the band.

Minister Hinds urged the residents to make optimum use of this great opportunity, which he said lends the potential for converting the musical skills acquired into a commercial asset for their own benefit.





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