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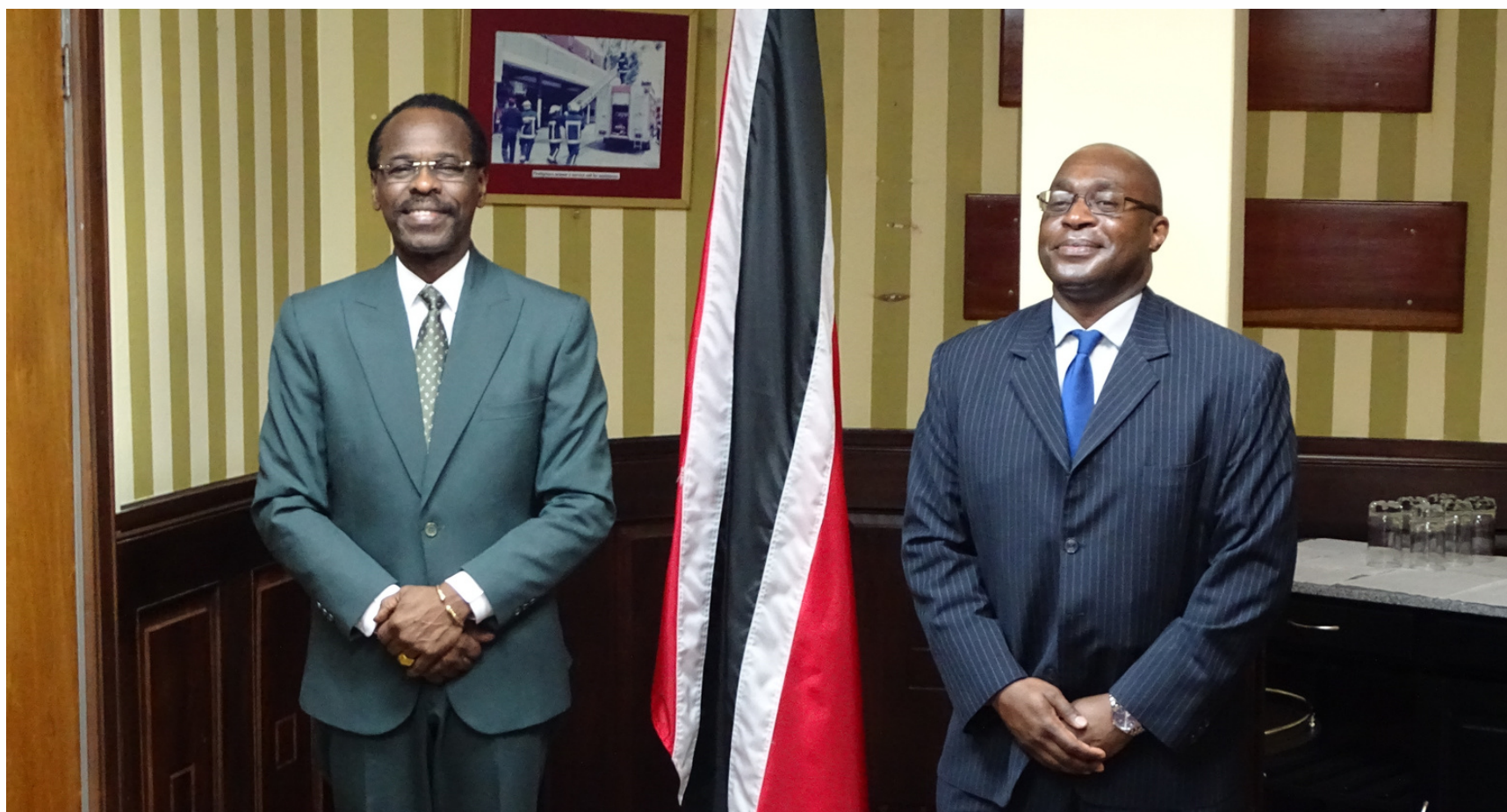
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MINISTER HINDS MEETS WITH US OFFICIALS ON COUNTER TRAFFICKING ISSUES

Trinidad and Tobago's counter trafficking efforts were the focus of discussions at a meeting between Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. and Mr. Shante Moore, Charge d'Affaires of the Embassy of the United States of America in Trinidad and Tobago held on August 15, 2022 at the Ministry's head office on Abercromby Street, Port of Spain.



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Both parties further discussed future engagements in security and defence cooperation between the two countries.

Also present at the meeting were Political Affairs Officer, US Embassy, Port of Spain, Mr. John Miller; Deputy Director, International Affairs Unit, Ministry of National Security, Major (Ret'd) Richard Lynch; Deputy Director of the Counter Trafficking Unit, Ministry of National Security, Ms. Kimoy Thomas; and International Affairs Coordinator, Ministry of National Security, Mr. Jason Camacho.

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STRENGTHENING BILATERAL COOPERATION



On August 12, 2022, Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. met with Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France to Trinidad and Tobago, His Excellency Didier Chabert and Mr. Derek Parker, Economic Officer, from the Embassy of France in Trinidad and Tobago.

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Minister Hinds and Ambassador Chabert discussed ongoing collaboration between both countries in mutual areas of national security. The Minister also thanked the Ambassador for the continued contribution of the French government to national drug interdiction and counter trafficking efforts.



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POLICE SERVICE PROMOTES 258 OFFICERS

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) presented letters of promotion to 258 officers in a brief ceremony held on August 17, 2022 at the Police Academy, St. James.

At one of the largest promotion exercises hosted by the TTPS since 2016, 257 officers were promoted from the rank of Corporal to Sergeant while one officer was promoted from Sergeant to Inspector. The process involved a review of the promotion system to meet the organisation's strategic priority of developing effective leaders.



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During his address, Acting Commissioner of Police Mr. McDonald Jacob noted the significance of the promotions and said that it would augur well in motivating and building the morale of both the newly promoted officers and others in the organisation.

The Ministry of National Security joins the TTPS in congratulating the officers on their well-deserved promotions



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CADETS PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING CAMP

As part of Operation Recovery Phase 2, the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force hosted a training camp for its Potential Non-Commission Officers (NCO) Cadre at the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Joint Training Academy in Corinth, from August 05 to 12, 2022.



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During the camp, a Jungle Survival Training exercise was conducted on Chacachacare Island from August 11 to 12, 2022 by the Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force Naval Department. It included sessions on Adventurous Training, as well as Field Craft and Survival Tactics.

The Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard assisted with personnel and assets for the safe conduct of this exercise.





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