

THE REPUBLIC OF
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO



**YEARS OF
INDEPENDENCE**

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DIAMOND JUBILEE



MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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HAPPY 60TH

INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Minister of National Security, Permanent Secretaries and other members of the MNS Executive Leadership team extend greetings to all members of staff as Trinidad and Tobago celebrates its 60th anniversary as an independent nation.

On August 31st, 1962, Trinidad and Tobago gained its independence from Great Britain. Bells tolled and sirens rang out as the Union Jack (British flag) was lowered and the Trinidad and Tobago national flag was hoisted for the first time at midnight on 30th August, 1962. This first Independence Day was marked by more than a week of events across the country from August 28 to September 05, 1962.



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After a two-year hiatus from traditional Independence Day festivities due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Trinidad and Tobago will celebrate its Diamond Jubilee with the customary military parade on Wednesday August 31, 2022. The Government has also launched a month-long calendar of activities to mark the auspicious occasion.

As we enjoy the celebrations, may we reflect on our achievements, growth and development as a self-governing nation and may the tenets of democracy shaped by our forefathers continue to guide our country's progress!

Happy 60th Independence to all!



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MNS CELEBRATES TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S DIAMOND JUBILEE INDEPENDENCE

In commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of Independence of Trinidad and Tobago, the staff at the Ministry of National Security showed their patriotism by wearing the country's National colours on Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 August 2022.



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Staff members were also invited to share their thoughts about Trinidad and Tobago reaching its Diamond Jubilee of 60 years of Independence. Here is what some of them had to say:



"Turning 60, Trinidad and Tobago has a lot to be thankful for. Despite whatever challenges we are facing, I am confident that as a people, we can overcome them."

SINTRA MAHARAJ
Deputy Permanent Secretary - Research, Policy & Planning

"I appreciate that we are a multicultural society welcoming of all religions, cultures and races and that we exist in a state of togetherness. This is something that the world needs."

MS. RYANKA RAGBIR
Legal Officer II, Legal Unit



"To reach 60 years as an independent country is something to celebrate. I am happy that we as a people have an option to say we are an independent nation. If we focus on the positives, there is a lot to be grateful for. My wish for our nation is growth and prosperity."

MS. NATASHA SUDEEN-LEWIS
Administrative Officer II, Work Permit Unit



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"Trinidad and Tobago is enjoying a great achievement by attaining its Diamond 60th Anniversary. We have come a long way with the development of the country. I am proud that our airport has been called the best in the Caribbean!"

MS. CHERYL RAMDASS
Clerk Stenographer II, Legal Unit

"Our country has stood the test of true resilience in the last 60 years: the coup, natural disasters and more, yet we have pulled together and stood strong as a people. I will never forget the flood of 2018, when we rallied together as a nation to assist our fellow countrymen who were seriously impacted."

MR. SHANNON (PERRY) SAMUEL
ICT Technical Officer, Information Communication Technology Unit (ICTU)



"I am proud to be a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago and even prouder that we can celebrate our Diamond Jubilee as an independent nation. I pray that we continue to strive and meet our goals as a united country."

MS. DONNA-MARIA PITT
BOA II, Counter Trafficking Unit



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