

MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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MNS RECEIVES DONATION FROM CANADA AND UNODC



Minister of National Security, the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. received on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, a donation of Visit, Board, Search and Seizure (VBSS) Kit and Equipment, as well as Consumables for Capital Assets of the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force (TTDF), from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) working in collaboration with the Government of Canada.

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The items were presented by High Commissioner of Canada to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, His Excellency Arif Keshani and Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Program Officer of the UNODC, Ms. Josefina Otero, at a Handover Ceremony held on Wednesday 24 May, 2023 at the Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard Headquarters, Staubles Bay in Chaguaramas.

The donated items will be used to facilitate hands-on training and practical learning experience for members of the Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard, geared to enhancing skills and capacity.



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MINISTER HINDS ATTENDS CONFERENCE WITH REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSIONERS



On Monday 22 May, 2023, Minister of National Security, the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. attended the Association of Caribbean Commissioners of Police (ACCP) 37th Annual General Meeting and Conference at the Hyatt Regency, Port of Spain.

The ACCP is made up of Commissioners of Police from across the Caribbean region that are committed to the improvement of policing within the region.

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Delivering the feature address at the conference, Minister Hinds expressed that the five-day conference will further encourage regional cooperation in the fight against crime, as all must continue to adopt a proactive approach to ensure the scourge of crime does not stunt our region's economic, social and democratic development. He urged all Commissioners to support regional systems and maximize the benefits that they may offer, in the interest of their respective countries.

The five-day conference was organized in collaboration with the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service.



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NDPPM HOSTS DISASTER PREPAREDNESS FAIR





Minister of National Security, the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. joined with the National Disaster Prevention and Preparedness (NDPPM) Multi-sectoral Committee for a Disaster Preparedness Fair on Friday 19 May, 2023, at the Brian Lara Promenade, Port of Spain.

The initiative featured interactive informational display booths and demonstrations by various Government Ministries and other stakeholders, on disaster preparedness and related services.

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Minister Hinds, together with Permanent Secretary (Ag.), Ministry of National Security, Ms. Nataki Atiba-Dilchan and Chief Executive Officer of the Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management, Major General (Ret'd) Rodney Smart visited the booths, engaged with exhibitors including National Security officers as well as members of the public.

A similar Fair was also held on the same day at CYD Gray Sporting Complex, Roxborough.





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ODPM CONTINUES DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TRAINING WITH STUDENTS



As part of this year's ongoing National Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Month (NDPPM), the Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management (ODPM) in partnership with the Ministry of Education visited the Carenage Boys and Carenage Girls Government Primary Schools to conduct Disaster Awareness and Emergency Preparedness sessions with the students, with an emphasis on tsunami safety, on Thursday 18 May, 2023.

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These sessions were followed by tsunami drills, facilitated by the Diego Martin Regional Corporation's Disaster Management Unit and the Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service.





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