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MINISTER HINDS MEETS WITH ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF OAS-CICAD

Port of Spain: Minister of National Security the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P. received a courtesy call on June 13, 2023 from Assistant Executive Secretary, Organization of American States, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (OAS-CICAD), Ms, Angela Crowdy, at the Ministry of National Security's Head Office, Abercromby Street, Port of Spain.

The meeting presented an opportunity for Minister Hinds to recognize and thank OAS-CICAD, for continuing to promote regional cooperation and coordination among the thirty-four (34) OAS member states throughout the region, through action programmes conducted by the various units of the CICAD Executive Secretariat.

Discussions also took place on the many avenues through which Trinidad and Tobago and OAS CICAD have been working to curb drug abuse and illicit drug trafficking, by enhancing the human and institutional capacities of not only Trinidad and Tobago, but also other OAS Member States across the Region.

Minister Hinds extended thanks to Ms. Crowdy for the continued contribution of OAS CICAD to this country and affirmed upcoming bilateral cooperation initiatives, which would continue to redound to the benefit of Trinidad and Tobago.

After the courtesy call, Ms. Crowdy conducted a presentation to the Chair and Council Members of the National Drug Council (NDC).

Also present at the meeting were Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of National Security, Mr. Gary Joseph; OAS Country Representative, Ms. Marina Piper; Chair of the National Drug Council, Mrs. Jennifer Boucaud-Blake and Deputy Director of the International Affairs Unit, Ministry of National Security, Major Richard Lynch.

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Caption: (From Left to Right) Chair of the National Drug Council, Mrs. Jennifer Boucaud-Blake; Minister of National Security, the Honourable Fitzgerald Hinds M.P; Assistant Executive Secretary, Organization of American States, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (OAS-CICAD), Ms. Angela Crowdy; Permanent Secretary, Ministry of National Security, Mr. Gary Joseph; OAS Country Representative, Ms. Marina Piper and Deputy Director of the International Affairs Unit, Ministry of National Security, Major Richard Lynch during a courtesy call on Tuesday June 13, 2023 at the Ministry of National Security's Head Office on Abercromby Street, Port of Spain.

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