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THE FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO SIGNS MOU WITH THE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO POLICE SERVICE

On Friday, 27 September 2024, the Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago (FIUTT) and the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) formalised their commitment to combating financial crime through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The event, held at the TTPS headquarters in Port of Spain, was attended by key figures including Commissioner of Police Ms Erla Harewood-Christopher, Mr Nigel Stoddard, Director of the FIUTT, Ms Mary Campbell, Deputy Director of the FIUTT and Mr Lucien Ferguson, Ag. Superintendent, Head Legal Services of the TTPS. This collaborative agreement is consistent with the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Recommendations, which highlights the critical need for co-operation between Law Enforcement, Financial Intelligence Units and other Competent Authorities.

The MOU is designed to enhance communication between the FIUTT and the TTPS, facilitating the sharing of information, including statistical trends, typologies of financial crimes and actionable intelligence. This exchange will not only improve the effectiveness of investigations by the TTPS but also bolster preventive measures against money laundering, terrorist financing, fraud, and other financial crimes. Furthermore, the MOU includes provisions for joint training initiatives, aimed at equipping personnel from both agencies with the latest skills and knowledge necessary to identify and combat sophisticated financial crimes. By fostering a culture of collaboration and continuous learning, this partnership represents a significant advancement in Trinidad and Tobago's efforts to uphold financial integrity and public safety, ensuring that both agencies are better prepared to respond to emerging financial threats.

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From left to right Ms Mary Campbell, Deputy Director FIUTT, Mr Nigel Stoddard, Director FIUTT, Commissioner of Police TTPS, Erla Harewood-Christopher and Mr Lucien Ferguson, Ag. Superintendent, Head Legal Services of the TTPS.