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**ALTERATION TO THE COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY TO EXAMINE  
AND ENQUIRE INTO ALL OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH LED  
TO THE TRAGIC INCIDENTS WHICH OCCURRED ON FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 25, 2022, AT FACILITIES OWNED BY PARIA FUEL  
TRADING COMPANY LIMITED (PARIA), LOCATED AT NO. 36,  
SEALINE RISER ON BERTH NO. 6, WHICH LED TO THE DEATHS  
OF FOUR (4) EMPLOYEES OF LMCS LIMITED**

**(The Commissions of Enquiry Act, Chap. 19:01)**

IN ACCORDANCE with section 15 of the Commissions of Enquiry Act, Chap. 19:01, of the Laws of Trinidad and Tobago, notice is hereby given that on the ~~12<sup>th</sup>~~ day of ~~October~~, 2023, Her Excellency, CHRISTINE CARLA KANGALOO, O.R.T.T., President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, in exercise of the powers vested in her under section 3 of the said Act, altered the Commission of Enquiry to examine and enquire into all of the circumstances which led to the tragic incidents which occurred on Friday February 25, 2022, at facilities owned by Paria Fuel Trading Company Limited (Paria), located at No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6, which led to the deaths of four (4) employees of LMCS Limited, issued and gazetted on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2022, by extending the time for the Commission to report to her in writing upon the said matters on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023 and to give findings, observations and recommendations thereon and to furnish her separately with a full statement of the proceedings of the Commission and the reasons leading to the conclusions at which the Commission may have arrived:

## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY—CONTINUED

## COMMISSION

## REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

By Her Excellency **CHRISTINE CARLA KANGALOO, O.R.T.T**, President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces.

**President:**

**HON. JEROME LYNCH, KC**

**TO: GREGORY WILSON, Esquire**

**WHEREAS** by section 2 of the Commissions of Enquiry Act, Chap. 19:01 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') it is provided, *inter alia*, that the President may whenever she deems it advisable, issue a Commission appointing one or more Commissioners, and authorising such Commissioners, or any quorum of them therein mentioned, to enquire into any matter in which an enquiry would, in the opinion of the President, be for the public welfare;

**AND WHEREAS** on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2022, **CHRISTINE CARLA KANGALOO**, then Acting President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, on the advice of Cabinet, issued her Commission under section 2 of the Act appointing **HON. MR. JUSTICE C. DENNIS MORRISON** and **GREGORY WILSON**, Commissioners, to examine and enquire into all of the circumstances which led to the tragic incidents which occurred on Friday February 25, 2022, at facilities owned by Paria Fuel Trading Company Limited (Paria), located at No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6, which led to the deaths of four (4) employees of LMCS Limited, and on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022, **PAULA-MAE WEEKES**, former President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, on the advice of Cabinet, altered her Commission under sections 2 and 3 of the Act by revoking the appointment of **HON. MR. JUSTICE C. DENNIS MORRISON**, as Commissioner and Chairman, and appointing **HON. JEROME LYNCH**, Commissioner and Chairman, to examine and enquire into all of the circumstances which led to the tragic incidents which occurred on Friday February 25, 2022, at facilities owned by Paria Fuel Trading Company Limited (Paria), located at No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6, which led to the deaths of four (4) employees of LMCS Limited;

## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY—CONTINUED

**AND WHEREAS** the Commissioners were appointed to enquire into the following, *inter alia*, Terms of Reference being matters set out hereunder and to make such findings, observations and recommendations arising out of its deliberations, as may be deemed appropriate, viz.:

## 1. To enquire into:

- (i) the circumstances which led to the tragic incidents which occurred on Friday February 25, 2022, at facilities owned by Paria Fuel Trading Company Limited (“Paria”) located at No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6, Pointe-a-Pierre which led to the deaths of four (4) employees of LMCS Limited (“LMCS”);
- (ii) the scope of works issued by Paria for the underwater maintenance exercise on a 30-inch pipeline which LMCS’ divers were carrying out on Friday February 25, 2022 within a hyperbaric chamber at the said No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6;
- (iii) and ascertain the proposals and plans submitted by LMCS to conduct the works at the said No. 36, Sealine Riser on Berth No. 6;
- (iv) and examine generally the policies, procedures, practices and conduct relating to Paria and LMCS’ employees, organized and contracted labour for these types of maintenance exercises;
- (v) and identify the precise facts and circumstances which led up to and resulted in the loss of life and whether this was reasonable and justifiable in the particular circumstances;
- (vi) and examine all of the decisions and actions taken after it became clear that the five (5) LMCS’ divers went missing;
- (vii) and investigate the nature, extent and application of any standing orders, policy considerations, legislation or other instructions in dealing with the situation which gave rise to these incidents;
- (viii) and identify whether Paria and LMCS had in place any lifesaving contingency plans in the event that life threatening incidents occurred and, if so, whether such or any plans were employed in response to these incidents; further, whether they employed sufficient safeguards and measures to ensure the safety of their contracted employees, property and the prevention of these incidents and to rescue the five (5) LMCS’ divers;
- (ix) and determine the adequacy and mechanical integrity of equipment utilized by LMCS;
- (x) and determine the adequacy of LMCS’ plans utilized for the operation of the maintenance exercise;
- (xi) and identify whether by act or omission any identified or unidentified person or entity directly or indirectly caused loss of life;

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- (xii) and examine the role played by Paria and LMCS through their respective units, individually and collectively in dealing with these incidents;
  - (xiii) and examine all other material circumstances leading up to and surrounding the incidents which took place on February 25, 2022 that led to the tragic deaths of the four (4) LMCS' divers and continuing up to the recovery of their bodies.
2. To make such findings, observations and recommendations arising out of its deliberations, as may be deemed appropriate, in relation to:
- (i) whether there has been any breach of duty by any persons or entities;
  - (ii) whether there are any grounds for any criminal proceedings to be initiated against any persons or entities;
  - (iii) whether criminal proceedings should be recommended to the Director of Public Prosecutions for his consideration;
  - (iv) the appropriate and best practices and/or policies and/or procedures to be utilised by companies such as Paria and LMCS for the conduct of these types of maintenance exercises and in response to these types of incidents;
  - (v) the policies, measures, mechanisms and systems that should be implemented to prevent the recurrence of the tragic incidents which occurred on Friday February 25, 2022 and continuing up to the recovery of the bodies of the four (4) LMCS' divers; and
  - (vi) making any other recommendations that may be deemed necessary in the circumstances.

**AND WHEREAS** on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2022, the then Acting President directed that, *inter alia*, the Commissioners forthwith proceed at such places and times as may be convenient with due diligence and dispatch to enquire into the matters aforesaid and to report to her in writing upon the said matters within a period of six (6) months of the first sitting of the Commission and to give findings, observations and recommendations thereon and to furnish her separately with a full statement of the proceedings of the Commission and the reasons leading to the conclusions at which the Commission may have arrived;

**AND WHEREAS** the first sitting of the Commission was held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2022 and as such, the Commissioners were due to submit their report on or before the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023;

**AND WHEREAS** on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023, the **HON. JEROME LYNCH** requested an extension of time for the submission of the Final Report of the Commission from the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 to the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023;

## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY—CONTINUED

**AND WHEREAS** by section 3 of the Act, it is provided, *inter alia*, that any Commission issued under the Act may be altered as the President thinks fit by any subsequent Commission issued by her;

**AND WHEREAS** on the 30th day of June, 2023, the President, on the advice of Cabinet, deemed it fit to alter the Commission under section 3 of the Act by extending the time for the Commission to report to me in writing upon the said matters on or before the 30th day of August, 2023, and to give findings, observations and recommendations thereon and to furnish me separately with a full statement of the proceedings of the Commission and the reasons leading to the conclusions at which the Commission may have arrived;

**AND WHEREAS** on the 28th day of August, 2023, the **HON. JEROME LYNCH** requested a further extension of time for the submission of the Final Report of the Commission from the 30th day of August, 2023 to the 30th day of November, 2023;

**AND WHEREAS** the President on the advice of the Cabinet has deemed it advisable to alter the Commission by extending the time for the Commission to report to me in writing upon the said matters on or before the 30th day of November, 2023, and to give findings, observations and recommendations thereon and to furnish me separately with a full statement of the proceedings of the Commission and the reasons leading to the conclusions at which the Commission may have arrived;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, CHRISTINE CARLA KANGALOO**, President as aforesaid, in exercise of the power vested in me by section 3 of the Act, do hereby alter my Commission by extending the time for the Commission to report to me in writing upon the said matters on or before the 30th day of November, 2023, and to give findings, observations and recommendations thereon and to furnish me separately with a full statement of the proceedings of the Commission and the reasons leading to the conclusions at which the Commission may have arrived;

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## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY—CONTINUED

AND this my Commission shall be continued subject to any alteration or revocation thereof until you have finally reported.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, at the Office of the President, St. Ann's, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

  
Secretary to Cabinet

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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CIPRIANI COLLEGE  
OF LABOUR AND CO-OPERATIVE STUDIES

IN ACCORDANCE with the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies Act, Chap. 39:51, section 4(6), the public is notified for general information that the appointment of the members of the Board of Governors of the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies (CCLCS) ended on the 8th July, 2022. A new Board of Governors was appointed on 10th July, 2023, for a period of three (3) years as shown in the attached listing. Subsequently, Mr. Leroy Baptiste was appointed as Deputy Chairman, and was issued his letter of appointment on 28th August, 2023, for a period of three (3) years.

<i>Designation</i>	<i>Name of Member</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>	<i>Date of Termination</i>	<i>Term of Appointment</i>
<i>Chairman</i>	PROFESSOR BRIAN COPELAND	10th July, 2023	9th July, 2026	3 years
<i>Deputy Chairman</i>	MR. LEROY BAPTISTE	28th August, 2023	27th August, 2026	do.
<i>Member</i>	MR. LEROY BAPTISTE	10th July, 2023	9th July, 2026	do.
<i>Member</i>	MR. MICHAEL ANNISSETTE	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MRS. ERMINE DE BIQUE-MEADE	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MR. JASON BROWN	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MS. KEVAR WILLIAMS	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MS. CHARLAYNE KNIGHT-CASIMIRE	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MR. JEROME CHAMBERS	do.	do.	do.
<i>Member</i>	MS. JOANNE SALAZAR	do.	do.	do.

N. WILLIS  
Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Labour

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## LOSS OF SCOTIALIFE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED POLICIES

SWORN declaration having been made that the following policies issued by SCOTIALIFE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED have been lost, and having made application to the Company for duplicate policies, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date thereof, the duplicate policies will be issued:

<i>Name of Insured</i>	<i>Policy Number</i>
ANGELA ST. CLAIR-MARKSMAN	U00127119
WENDY LONDON-PIERRE	U00251813
ANSON HINDS	U00103820
TONYA SADE KASSIRAM	U00244869
TONYA SADE KASSIRAM	D00244870
VELDA LINDSAY	D00222860
RENNIE RAGBIR	U00226715
BALKARAN GANGOO	D00189639
PREMNATH BAJNATH	S90347000

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SWORN declaration having been made that the following policies issued by SCOTIALIFE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED have been lost, and having made application to the Company for duplicate policies, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date thereof, the duplicate policies will be issued:

<i>Name of Insured</i>	<i>Policy Number</i>
JASON JOSEPH	D00188213
DANIELLE MAMED	D00221407
DANIELLE MAMED	U00193094
REYON JOHN	D00191643
RAMBARACK THOMAS	S60231320
JOAN PEREIRA-COX	D00163282
REYNOLD FARRELL	D00253194
DOMINIC SMART	U00168013
RADICA SIEW	U00219275
SELINA RAGBIR	D00260455
YVONNE JULIEN	D00118037
CHIPINDALE BELLE	D00188748

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SWORN declaration having been made that the following policies issued by SCOTIALIFE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO LIMITED have been lost, and having made application to the Company for duplicate policies, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date thereof, the duplicate policies will be issued:

<i>Name of Insured</i>	<i>Policy Number</i>
CLIVE TEEMUL	U0002YP01
MOHANLAL ERROL RAMNATH	D00184451
GAITREE RAMRAJ	U00253031
RHONDA KOO	U00182845
DAVE A. ALI	S27420850
ANTHONY MC KENZIE	D00132130
VISHNU RAMCHARAN	S08529900
PRAMCHAN GOBIN	D00207199
SYLVIA HEERALAL	U00221499

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TRANSFER OF LICENCES  
(*Liquor Licences Act, Chap. 84:10*)

BOROUGH OF POINT FORTIN

NOTICE is hereby given that a notification in writing has this day been lodged with me the undersigned Secretary of the Licensing Committee for the Borough of Point Fortin by Terri Ann Lynch, of 35, Main Road, Point Fortin that it is her intention to apply to the Licensing Committee at the Point Fortin District Court on MONDAY THE 23RD DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023 at 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon, by virtual hearing for a transfer to her of the Licence to carry on the trade of a Spirit Retailer now held by Stephen Williams in respect of premises situate at Corner Tanner Street and Point Fortin Main Road.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2023 at the Point Fortin District Court.

V. MADEIRA  
*Secretary, Licensing Committee  
Borough of Point Fortin*

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TOBAGO

NOTICE is hereby given that a notification in writing has this day been lodged with me the undersigned Secretary of the Licensing Committee for the Licensing District of Tobago, by Latifah Charles-Phillips of No. 5 Darrell Spring Road, Scarborough, Tobago, that it is her intention to apply to the Licensing Committee at the Scarborough District Court on TUESDAY THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023 at 1.00 o'clock in the afternoon for a transfer to her of the Licence to carry on the business of a Special Restaurant now held by Dexter Wallace, in respect of premises situate at Darrell Spring Road, Scarborough, Tobago.

Dated this 18th day of July, 2023 at the Scarborough Magistrate's Court, Tobago.

J. LINDSAY  
*Secretary, Licensing Committee  
Tobago*