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Minister Kazim Hosein Prioritizes Citizens' Safety for Carnival

February 28, 2019. Kent House, Maraval – Citizens can breathe a sigh of relief this Carnival weekend when they traverse all major beaches and rivers from Carnival Friday until Ash Wednesday.

Senator the Honourable Kazim Hosein, Minister of Rural Development and Local Government was accompanied today by Chairman of the San Juan/ Laventille Regional Corporation, Anthony Roberts, Inspector Walkins and Sargent Dolabaille of Municipal Police Port of Spain, Inspector Mohammed and Sargent Garcia of the San Juan/Laventille Municipal Police Office to Maracas Bay as they prepare to roll out their safety plan for citizens during the Carnival weekend.

All beach-goers, citizens and tourists alike will feel safe and secure when they relax with their families and friends at major beaches such as Maracas Bay and Las Cuevas Bay to Vessigny Beach, Mayaro, Moruga and Point Fortin to name a few. There will also be foot and vehicular patrols at popular rivers such as Caura and Mathura River this holiday weekend as the Municipal Police Constables will be out in full force. Minister Hosein wishes all citizens a happy and safe Carnival but notes that not all citizens participate in Carnival activities. In fact, many persons; church and other religious groups choose get away from the hustle and bustle of the city to enjoy the long weekend at the beach and spend quality time with their families and friends. Minister Hosein remarked, "We have recently increased the Trinidad and Tobago Municipal Police Service and another batch will be graduating in July. With these increases in the numbers of constables, we aim to have greater interaction between the Municipal Police and the community."

With that spirit in mind, Minister Hosein and the Municipal Police Service have collaborated with the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) to maintain a stronger police presence at all major beaches and rivers from **Carnival Friday until Ash Wednesday**. Chairman of the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation Anthony Roberts, commended Minister Hosein on his consistent effort to assist citizens through various programmes and pledged his Corporation's full support for maintaining the safety of citizens at this time.

As the Minister toured the newly refurbished Maracas Bay, many citizens extended their hands in thanks as they greeted him. Booth operators were especially "thrilled and grateful for the additional security force" as expressed by Richard from the popular Richard's Bake n Shark who remarked that Carnival is one of the busiest time of year for Maracas Bay businesses; and with the knowledge of additional security

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measures being taken, he hopes more citizens and tourists will venture to the beaches to enjoy the sun and the sand.

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Maracas Bay: Newly married Moses and Maria Pierre and their pastor engage Chairman, San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation, Anthony Roberts and the Honourable Kazim Hosein, Minister of Rural Development and Local Government during their tour of the Maracas Bay.

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