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**Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs**

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO SIGNS VISA WAIVER AGREEMENT WITH PARAGUAY**

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On June 27, 2024, Senator the Honourable Dr. Amery Browne, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs, signed, on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, an Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and the Government of the Republic of Paraguay on the Waiver of Visa Requirements for the Holders of Diplomatic, Official and Ordinary Passports.

The Agreement was signed by the Honourable Minister and his Paraguayan counterpart, Minister Rubén Darío Ramírez Lezcano, while attending the 54<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the General Assembly of the Organisation of American States (OAS) in Asunción, Republic of Paraguay from June 26, 2024 to June 28, 2024.

This Agreement would allow bearers of diplomatic, official or ordinary passports from Trinidad and Tobago to enter, transit, stay or leave Paraguay without need of a visa, for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days and vice-versa.

The Agreement also stipulates that nationals of either country, bearing the abovementioned passports, who wish to stay in the territory of the other country for a period in excess of ninety (90) days, are required to obtain a visa and apply to the relevant authorities for permission to stay in the territory of the other country.

This is the first-ever official Agreement that Trinidad and Tobago has signed with Paraguay, and it opens up new possibilities for increased people-to-people exchanges, trade, investment, tourism and diplomatic contacts.

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**Photo Caption:**

Senator the Honourable Dr. Amery Browne, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs at the official Signing Ceremony with His Excellency Rubén Darío Ramírez Lezcano, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Paraguay.

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