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STATEMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON SECURITY COOPERATION ACTIVITIES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago has taken note of the statement issued by the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela earlier this afternoon in relation to the visit of the USS Gravelly (DDG-107) to Trinidad and Tobago during the period October 26 to 30.

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago and the Government of the United States of America have been clear about the specific purpose of this visit as highlighted in Official Statements from the Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs on 23rd October 2025; the Embassy of the United States of America in Port of Spain on 24th October 2025; and the more recent update provided by the Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs earlier this afternoon during a news conference held at the Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs.

The visit of the USS Gravelly aims to bolster the fight against transnational crime and build resilience through training, humanitarian activities, and security cooperation. It will also strengthen the longstanding partnership between both countries which has provided enhanced medical care and disaster preparedness, improved lives, and strengthened communities in Trinidad and Tobago.

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago has repeatedly made it clear that it values this country's relationship with the people of Venezuela given our shared history and close fraternal relations.

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago also once more reiterates its commitment to the people of the Caribbean for the creation of a safer, stronger and more prosperous Region.

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