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Building Consensus for the Realization of Sustainable Peace and Security

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The Honourable Kamla Persad-Bissessar, S.C., M.P., Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, addresses the General Debate of the General Assembly's 80th session.

Trinidad and Tobago's globally connected, multicultural identity shapes our approach to diplomacy, which is grounded in inclusion, mutual respect and the conviction that every country, regardless of size or circumstance, merits recognition in the pursuit of consensus.

With over sixty years of engagement within the United Nations system, our unwavering commitment to the rule of law, justice and equality guides our principled approach to advancing balanced and credible solutions, all core values of multilateral cooperation.

We recognize that improving the lives of people at national, regional and global levels depends fundamentally on the promotion and maintenance of peace and security, which are central pillars of Trinidad and Tobago's foreign policy.

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FOR THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL 2027-2028

Trinidad and Tobago's candidature for an elected seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is premised on a longstanding record of constructive engagement within the United Nations system. This includes our previous service on the UNSC from 1985 to 1986, as well as our foundational role in the establishment of the International Criminal Court (ICC) in 2002 and the introduction of Resolution 65/69 on Women, Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Arms Control in 2010.

Drawing on these experiences, Trinidad and Tobago approaches the work of the Security Council with a clear focus on practicality, balance and consensus. We are committed to engaging constructively, supporting solutions that are both credible and implementable and working collaboratively with all Member States to navigate complex challenges and deliver outcomes that contribute to lasting peace and stability.



The Honourable Sean S.M. Sobers M.P., Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago



Trinidad and Tobago is committed to serving as a constructive, consensus-driven partner in advancing peace, stability and sustainable security. As a Small Island Developing State (SIDS) and an active voice within the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC), we would bring to the Security Council a perspective that bridges regional experiences with global decision-making. We believe in advancing practical, inclusive solutions while ensuring that the priorities and concerns of Small Island Developing States and small states are meaningfully reflected in the Council's work.

"Trinidad and Tobago commits to being a reliable, practical, and independent partner, bringing a balanced perspective, engaging in good faith, and working collaboratively to deliver meaningful, consensus-driven outcomes."

-H.E. Ambassador Dr. Neil Parsan



H.E. Ambassador Dr. Neil Parsan, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations in New York, presents his credentials to H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations.

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- ✓ CURBING THE ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS
- ✓ ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GLOBAL SECURITY

WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY

Trinidad and Tobago supports the full, equal and meaningful participation of women in peacebuilding and security processes, recognizing that inclusive approaches lead to more sustainable and durable outcomes.

We advocate for:

- Women's participation in peace negotiations and decision-making
- Addressing gender-based and conflict-related violence as security priorities
- Strengthening women's roles in prevention, mediation and recovery
- Gender-responsive security and early-warning systems

If elected, the perspectives of women and girls globally will be reflected in efforts to advance inclusive peace processes and promote gender-responsive approaches to conflict prevention.

CURBING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS

Illicit trafficking in small arms fuels organized crime, violence, conflict, human rights abuses and instability, undermining border security, development and the rule of law. As a Small Island Developing State and an active voice within both GRULAC and CARICOM, Trinidad and Tobago brings practical insights into the challenges faced by states situated along trafficking routes.

We support:

- Strengthened international cooperation and coordination
- Initiatives that enhance information-sharing
- Preventive approaches that address the root causes of armed violence

If elected, we will promote practical, coordinated solutions to help strengthen security and resilience among Member States.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GLOBAL SECURITY

Artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies are reshaping the global security landscape, underscoring the need for inclusive and responsible governance. Trinidad and Tobago emphasizes the importance of ensuring that all states, including Small Island Developing States, have the opportunity to help shape global frameworks.

We recognize implications across:

- Information integrity and cybersecurity
- Military applications and decision-making
- Human rights and governance
- Transnational crime and illicit networks

If elected, we will support inclusive dialogue and cooperation to ensure that emerging technologies contribute to strengthening international peace and security.

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