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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND NIGERIA SEEK TO STRENGTHEN BILATERAL RELATIONS

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On 30th January, 2018 Senator the Honourable Dennis Moses, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs and His Excellency Jika Ardo Hassan, newly appointed High Commissioner for the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, reaffirmed the commitment of both countries to strengthen bilateral relations.

These sentiments were expressed during a Courtesy Call at the Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs prior to the Presentation of Letters of Credence by the High Commissioner to the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

During the discussions, both Minister Moses and His Excellency Hassan acknowledged the good relationship between Trinidad and Tobago and Nigeria and expressed future aspirations to enhance bilateral relations through, existing and potential avenues for overall development to the mutual benefit of their countries.

His Excellency Jika Ardo Hassan, commented on the rich ethnic diversity of Nigeria, postulating that cultural cooperation should be made a priority. He further demonstrated enthusiasm in marketing Trinidad and Tobago's carnival within various states of Nigeria that can collectively foster projects for both countries.

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Discussions also focused on the possibility of establishing a direct flight schedule from the African continent to Trinidad and Tobago. His Excellency reiterated that this would also be an avenue to strengthen the friendship between both nations.

Minister Moses expressed the hope that the High Commissioner's tenure would be a productive and rewarding one.



Senator the Honourable Dennis Moses, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs greets His Excellency Jika Ardo Hassan, High Commissioner for the Federal Republic of Nigeria during a Courtesy Call at the Ministry's headquarters on 30th January, 2018.

Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs