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RESTORATION OF CITIZENSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Effective **July 29 1988**, citizens of Trinidad and Tobago by birth or descent who acquire citizenship of another country will no longer lose their citizenship by reason only of such acquisition. Those who, **prior to July 29th 1988**, lost their Trinidad and Tobago citizenship by voluntary acquisition of another citizenship, or by having renounced Trinidad and Tobago citizenship, may make an application to the Minister of National Security on the prescribed form to have their Trinidad and Tobago citizenship restored.

PROCEDURE TO FOLLOW ON APPLICATION

Restoration applications cannot be submitted to the Embassy's Immigration Department in person at this time. Applicants wishing to submit an application for Restoration of Citizenship must submit the following to the Embassy's Immigration Department VIA MAIL

1. **Three (3) completed copies of the Form 16** (these forms must be notarised).
2. **Four (4) identical passport photographs** measuring 2 inches by 1¾ inches. Four photographs must be notarized at the back. The photos must be high quality color photographs, no smiling, no glasses, no facial piercings, both ears visible, white background, no hair on forehead, no shadows.
3. **A police certificate of good character.** This document may also be referred to as background check or verification of criminal history report.
4. **Medical forms 40 and 40(a)** with X-ray report.
5. **Trinidad and Tobago Computer Generated Birth Certificate.** If the applicant's given name does not appear on the birth certificate, a name insertion must be done on the birth certificate by Office of the Registrar General for Trinidad and Tobago before an application for restoration can be submitted.
6. **Trinidad and Tobago passport.** Please produce the passport that was most recently issued to the applicant. If the applicant's passport is not available please indicate by notarised declaration the reason for its unavailability.
7. **A Marriage Certificate and Divorce Decree** is required for female applicants (if applicable)
8. **Evidence of the acquisition of citizenship of the country of present nationality.** The original Naturalization Certificate is required.
9. **Copy of the bio-data page of foreign passport(s)**
10. **Two money orders:** one for \$10.00 and another for \$81.00 payable to The Embassy of Trinidad and Tobago.
11. **Contact Information** must be provided using a telephone number and email address.
12. **Return postage** must be provided if you wish to have your original documents returned by mail in the form of a money order for \$26.35.
13. **Authorization Letter** must be provided to state the full address of where you would like your original documents and/or restoration certificate to be mailed.

NB: Additional documents may be required on a case by case basis from the Immigration Department.