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New Executive for the Women Parliamentarians of Trinidad and Tobago

Dear Media Colleagues,

In an historic stride towards gender equity and improved women's representation in Trinidad and Tobago, the inaugural Annual General Meeting of the recently-established Women Parliamentarians of Trinidad and Tobago (WPTT) was held on Saturday 25 November, 2023 at the Parliamentary Complex.

This meeting marked a significant milestone as the group, comprising both current and past women parliamentarians, also elected its first Executive. The newly elected Executive, representing a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences, is poised to foster a supportive environment for past, current and aspiring female parliamentarians.

The executive team comprises:

- **President: Hon. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP**
- **Vice President: Ms. Lyndira Oudit**
- **Secretary: Ms. Ramona Ramdial**
- **Treasurer: Ms. Gail Merhair**
- **Public Engagement Officer: Sen. Laurel Lezama-Lee Sing**
- **Projects and Programmes Officer: Mrs. Hazel Manning**
- **Mentorship and Training Officer: Sen. Dr. Maria Dillon-Remy**

In a short address to the members after her election, Hon. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP indicated that one of the greatest challenges for women parliamentarians is to be collaborative amongst themselves, but their differences will help to forge stronger perspectives.

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The Women Parliamentarians of Trinidad and Tobago cross-party group was launched in March 2023 and its mission is to create a collaborative network to promote women's access, representation and influence in Parliament and other political decision-making spaces.

The WPTT selected today, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and first day of the global 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence as a display of its resounding commitment to advocate for the rights and well-being of women and girls across the country.

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Photo captions:



Photo 1: The newly-elected Executive of Women Parliamentarians of Trinidad and Tobago: Left to right: Projects and Programmes Officer Mrs. Hazel Manning; Vice President Ms. Lyndira Oudit; Secretary Ms. Ramona Ramdial; President Hon. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP; Public Engagement Officer Sen. Laurel Lezama-Lee Sing; Mentorship and Training Officer Sen. Dr. Maria Dillon-Remy; and Treasurer Ms. Gail Merhair.

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Photo 2: Members of the Women Parliamentarians of Trinidad and Tobago.

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