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Minister Cox encourages Chevening recipients to commit to investing in others and transforming lives

“Make full use of the opportunity, build a network of professionals in your field and commit to investing in others and transforming lives” said Senator the Honourable Donna Cox, Minister of Social Development and Family Services, as she imparted words of wisdom to those present at Chevening’s 40th Anniversary, at the British High Commissioner’s residence, on September 4, 2023. This year, the British High Commission celebrates 40 years of rewarding excellence and championing education through the United Kingdom’s Chevening scholarship.

The Chevening scholarship is one of the tangible manifestations of the excellent relationship between Trinidad and Tobago and the United Kingdom, benefitting many brilliant and diverse Trinbagonians across different sectors. The 2023 scholarship winners are Sache Alexander-George, who will pursue an MSc in Digital Entrepreneurship at Loughborough University and Jessel Crispin Brizian, who will study Fashion Business Management at the University of Westminster.

During her remarks, Minister Cox commended the British Government for continuing to provide this opportunity for students of this country and those from 160+ countries to not only engage in rigorous academic study, but also to develop professionally, and make enduring friendships with people from around the world. “As a result of the opportunities that the British Government has provided, numerous families, communities and nations have been transformed” said the Minister.

The Minister then shared with the audience that she is also a proud Chevening scholar, who can personally attest to the value that the Chevening scholarship contributes to the creation of a global community of leaders that are equipped to respond in these challenging times. She further noted that she is aware that many Chevening scholars, like herself, serve their Nation in governmental positions and in numerous leadership capacities.

She also emphasized on the importance of this specific 40th anniversary stating that it is an extremely importance milestone, as it represents forty years of rewarding excellence, championing academic and professional pursuits, and creating lasting global change for the good of humankind.

In closing, Minister Cox wished the both recipients great success in their respective fields of study, as they contribute to the legacy of excellence that all Chevening scholars around the world are proud of.

In attendance were British High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago, Her Excellency Harriet Cross; the Honourable Justice Nadia Kangaloo, Judge of the High Court; and fellow Chevening alumni.

Minister Cox and by extension the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services once again congratulate this year's scholarship winners and remains committed towards supporting initiatives that enhance the lives of persons in Trinidad and Tobago.

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Minister Cox delivers remarks during Chevening's 40th Anniversary



Minister Cox chats with the British High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago, Her Excellency Harriet Cross Harriet Cross



Minister Cox imparts words of inspiration to Chevening scholars, Sache Alexander-George and Jessel Crispin Brizian