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Ministry of Social Development and Family Services



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Government Representatives Receive Instruments of Appointment to serve on TTBWA Board

Minister of Social Development and Family Services, Senator the Honourable Donna Cox, earlier today, appointed two members who will serve as government representatives to the Board of the Trinidad and Tobago Blind Welfare Association (TTBWA). Mrs Monique Changa-Forde of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government and Mr Gabre-Jesu Mc Tair ,Esquire of the Ministry of Sport and Community Development . They will join four other government appointees who were appointed on April 19, 2024 to serve on the Board.

The presentations were made at the Ministry's head office on St Vincent Street, Port-of-Spain. Minister Cox encouraged the newly appointed members to serve with distinction and reminded them that their input can impact the lives of persons who are visually impaired and blind.

The other members who were previously appointed to the Board to serve for a period of three years are:

- o Mrs. Lenor Baptiste Simmons -Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Social Development and Family Services;
- o Mrs. Satie Jamraj-Marimuthu-Director, Research and Planning, Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts;

Ms. Omalisa Baldeo-Director, Research and Planning (Ag.), Ministry of Labour; o Ms. Delisier Blackman-Legal Counsel I, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs

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Mrs. Monique Changa-Forde (left) receives her Instrument of Appointment from Minister Cox.



Mr. Gabre-Jesu Mc Tair (left) receives his Instrument of Appointment from Minister Cox



Minister Cox (centre) with Gabre-Jesu Mc Tair (left). and Monique Changa-Forde (right)



(Left to right): Mr. Gabre-Jesu Mc Tair, Senator the Honourable Donna Cox, Minister of Social Development & Family Services, Mrs. Monique Changa-Forde and Mrs. Wendy Guy – Heernandez, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Social Development and Family Services.