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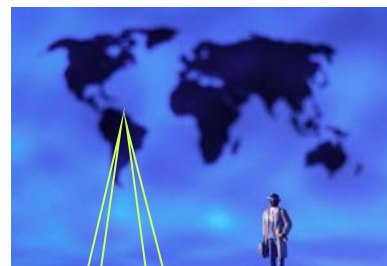
ON THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

OF THE

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007

(2006 OCTOBER 01 TO 2007 SEPTEMBER 30)



2008 April 29



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## **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

### **REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

#### **REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Financial Statements of the Public Accounts of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 which were received from the Treasury, Accounting Officers, Receivers of Revenue and Administering Officers have been audited. The Financial Statements received are listed at Appendices 1 to 4.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TREASURY, ACCOUNTING OFFICERS, RECEIVERS OF REVENUE AND ADMINISTERING OFFICERS**

2. The Treasury, Accounting Officers, Receivers of Revenue and Administering Officers respectively are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these Financial Statements. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

3. The Auditor General's responsibility is to audit and report on these Financial Statements in accordance with section 116 (2) and (4) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and section 25 (1) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. The examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted Auditing Standards. Those Standards require that ethical requirements be complied with and that the audit be planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement.

4. It is my view that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for the opinion expressed at paragraph 12 of this Report.

#### **APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS**

5. Appropriation Accounts for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 were received from five (5) Accounting Officers after 2008 January 31. At 2008 March 19, the Appropriation Account was not received from one Accounting Officer.



### **APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS (CONT'D)**

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The non-submission of the Appropriation Accounts for the financial year 2007 by 2008 January 31 was contrary to section 24 (1) (b) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. Details are given at Appendix 2.

6. The examination of records and documents revealed that in many instances there was non-compliance with Financial Instructions, Financial Regulations and other financial directives.

7. Some comments pertinent to the examination of the Appropriation Accounts and the supporting records and documents have been included at Chapter 2 of the Report under the respective Heads of Expenditure.

### **STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

8. Statements of Receipts and Disbursements in respect of the financial year ended 2007 September 30 were received after 2008 January 31 from three (3) Receivers of Revenue. Statements have not been received from five (5) Receivers of Revenue as at 2008 March 19. The non-submission of Statements of Receipts and Disbursements for the financial year 2007 by 2008 January 31 was contrary to section 24 (1) (c) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. Details are given at Appendix 3.

9. Some comments pertinent to the examination of the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements and the supporting records are given at Chapter 3 of the Report.

### **ACCOUNTS OF ADMINISTERING OFFICERS**

10. Financial Statements in respect of the financial year ended 2007 September 30 were received from two (2) Administering Officers after 2008 January 31. As at 2008 March 19, Financial Statements were not received from five (5) Administering Officers. The non-submission of Financial Statements for the financial year 2007 by 2008 January 31 was contrary to section 24 (2) (a) and (b) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. Details are given at Appendix 4.

11. Comments arising from the examination of the Accounts of Administering Officers have been included at Chapter 4 of the Report.



## **OPINION**

12. In my opinion, the Financial Statements referred to at paragraph one above are fairly presented and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, the Statement of Revenue and the Statement of Expenditure present fairly, in all material respects, the assets and liabilities at 2007 September 30 and the revenue and expenditure for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 in accordance with the Cash Basis of Accounting.

## **REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

### **PAYMENTS OUT OF PUBLIC MONEYS TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**

13. Section 25 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 requires the Auditor General to set out in his annual report all payments made out of public moneys to a member of each House of Parliament (other than the salary and any allowances and any pension paid to him as specified in that section). Details of these payments are given at Chapter 5 of the Report.

## **SUBMISSION OF REPORT**

14. This Report is being submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate and the Minister of Finance in accordance with the requirements of section 116 (4) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

15. A copy of this Report is also being submitted to the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for his information.

2008 April 29



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**AUDITOR GENERAL**





# **TREASURY STATEMENTS**

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**REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

2006					
\$	c	ASSETS	Note Schedule	\$	c
<b>115,053,655.86</b>		<b>INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>115,052,177.47</b>	
10,507,540.88		General (Treasury Deposits)		10,944,518.18	
84,661,419.65		Special Funds		83,764,289.40	
17,277,586.15		Trust Funds		17,736,260.71	
2,607,109.18		Consolidated Fund		2,607,109.18	
<b>155,216,419.40</b>		<b>ADVANCES</b>		<b>150,080,026.11</b>	
10,660,580.35		Treasury Deposits		1,651,483.64	
144,555,839.05		Advances Fund		148,428,542.47	
0.00		Contingencies Fund		0.00	
<b>18,712,615,415.32</b>		<b>CASH AND BANK</b>		<b>9,632,671,411.39</b>	
(4,706,682,610.64)		Exchequer Account		(5,756,816,210.26)	
7,802,370,847.95		Treasury Deposits Account		7,855,303,853.71	
312,431,130.58		Treasury Funds Account		308,558,427.16	
5,866,766.74		Treasury Suspense Account		6,158,947.18	
1,981,643,418.49		Unemployment Fund	(3) C	2,756,681,393.37	
144,930,333.44		Road Improvement Fund	(4) D	149,721,348.62	
3,292,250,400.94		Infrastructure Development Fund	(5) E	2,698,967,706.23	
8,792,365,432.88		Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund	(6) F	0.00	
2,040,375.00		NUGFW Training Fund	(8) G	3,084,877.53	
187,761,631.41		Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund	(9) H	82,773,696.13	
870,037,894.12		Green Fund	(10) I	1,146,191,463.53	
26,887,395.11		CARICOM Trade Support Fund	(11) J	36,661,155.33	
0.00		CARICOM Petroleum Fund	(12) K	344,964,534.00	
712,399.30		Exchequer Suspense Account		420,218.86	
<b>18,982,885,490.58</b>				<b>9,897,803,614.97</b>	
		<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>7,906,001,034.65</b>		<b>DEPOSITS</b>		<b>7,949,923,465.31</b>	
4,371,061,738.23		Treasury Deposits (General)		3,677,552,869.25	
3,387,375,528.16		Special Funds	A	3,938,078,482.71	
147,563,768.26		Trust Funds	B	334,292,113.35	
<b>11,076,884,455.93</b>		<b>FUNDS</b>		<b>1,947,880,149.66</b>	
1,981,643,418.49		Unemployment Fund	(3) C	2,756,681,393.37	
144,930,333.44		Road Improvement Fund	(4) D	149,721,348.62	
3,292,250,400.94		Infrastructure Development Fund	(5) E	2,698,967,706.23	
8,792,365,432.88		Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund	(6) F	0.00	
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187,761,631.41		Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund	(9) H	82,773,696.13	
870,037,894.12		Green Fund	(10) I	1,146,191,463.53	
26,887,395.11		CARICOM Trade Support Fund	(11) J	36,661,155.33	
0.00		CARICOM Petroleum Fund	(12) K	344,964,534.00	
351,500,000.00		Advances Fund		351,500,000.00	
100,000,000.00		Contingencies Fund		100,000,000.00	
(4,672,532,425.46)		Consolidated Fund		(5,722,666,025.08)	
<b>18,982,885,490.58</b>				<b>9,897,803,614.97</b>	

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

HEADS OF REVENUE	APPROVED ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	REVISED ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	ACTUAL REVENUE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	ACTUAL (LESS) MORE THAN ORIGINAL ESTIMATES	ACTUAL (LESS) MORE THAN REVISED ESTIMATES
<u>TAX REVENUE</u>	\$            €	\$            €	\$            €	\$            €	\$            €
01. TAXES ON INCOME AND PROFITS	22,831,799,111.00	26,388,722,596.00	25,741,940,237.44	2,910,141,126.44	(646,782,358.56)
02. TAXES ON PROPERTY	67,000,000.00	83,186,000.00	83,729,313.64	16,729,313.64	543,313.64
03. TAXES ON GOODS AND SERVICES	5,243,390,726.00	6,187,960,330.00	6,075,524,604.26	832,133,878.26	(112,435,725.74)
04. TAXES ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE	1,933,940,000.00	2,132,451,216.00	2,006,541,326.70	72,601,326.70	(125,909,889.30)
05. OTHER TAXES	334,583,258.00	363,305,000.00	301,406,949.59	(33,176,308.41)	(61,898,050.41)
<b>TOTAL TAX REVENUE</b>	<b>30,410,713,095.00</b>	<b>35,155,625,142.00</b>	<b>34,209,142,431.63</b>	<b>3,798,429,336.63</b>	<b>(946,482,710.37)</b>
<u>NON-TAX REVENUE</u>					
06. PROPERTY INCOME	2,657,874,326.00	3,307,916,531.00	3,634,255,033.17	976,380,707.17	326,338,502.17
07. OTHER NON-TAX REVENUE	604,148,358.00	563,460,081.00	598,258,533.84	(5,889,824.16)	34,798,452.84
08. REPAYMENT OF PAST LENDING	43,276,415.00	43,948,693.00	39,166,527.32	(4,109,887.68)	(4,782,165.68)
<b>TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUE</b>	<b>3,305,299,099.00</b>	<b>3,915,325,305.00</b>	<b>4,271,680,094.33</b>	<b>966,380,995.33</b>	<b>356,354,789.33</b>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>33,716,012,194.00</b>	<b>39,070,950,447.00</b>	<b>38,480,822,525.96</b>	<b>4,764,810,331.96</b>	<b>(590,127,921.04)</b>
<u>CAPITAL RECEIPTS</u>					
09. CAPITAL REVENUE	44,368,750.00	50,013,872.00	29,581,701.55	(14,787,048.45)	(20,432,170.45)
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>44,368,750.00</b>	<b>50,013,872.00</b>	<b>29,581,701.55</b>	<b>(14,787,048.45)</b>	<b>(20,432,170.45)</b>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>33,760,380,944.00</b>	<b>39,120,964,319.00</b>	<b>38,510,404,227.51</b>	<b>4,750,023,283.51</b>	<b>(610,560,091.49)</b>
<u>FINANCING</u>					
10. BORROWING	1,323,328,000.00	1,323,328,000.00	1,956,293,026.97	632,965,026.97	632,965,026.97
12. DEBT FINANCING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL FINANCING</b>	<b>1,323,328,000.00</b>	<b>1,323,328,000.00</b>	<b>1,956,293,026.97</b>	<b>632,965,026.97</b>	<b>632,965,026.97</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>35,083,708,944.00</b>	<b>40,444,292,319.00</b>	<b>40,466,697,254.48</b>	<b>5,382,988,310.48</b>	<b>22,404,935.48</b>

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	ORIGINAL ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES AND TRANSFERS	TOTAL APPROVED ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	VARIANCE	
					LESS THAN ESTIMATES	MORE THAN ESTIMATES
	\$      €	\$      €	\$      €	\$      €	\$      €	\$      €
01 - President	16,598,854.00	240,568.00	16,839,422.00	16,055,385.67	784,036.33	0.00
02 - Auditor General	24,942,169.00	2,206,250.00	27,148,419.00	23,498,671.88	3,649,747.12	0.00
03 - Judiciary	295,308,429.00	21,080,390.00	316,388,819.00	272,058,109.40	44,330,709.60	0.00
04 - Industrial Court	38,719,023.00	0.00	38,719,023.00	33,888,191.29	4,830,831.71	0.00
05 - Parliament	73,391,188.00	75,950.00	73,467,138.00	64,930,649.67	8,536,488.33	0.00
06 - Service Commissions	58,981,838.00	3,886,637.00	62,868,475.00	51,746,858.47	11,121,616.53	0.00
07 - Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	5,246,436.00	554,703.00	5,801,139.00	4,976,696.80	824,442.20	0.00
08 - Elections and Boundaries Commission	69,493,242.00	3,730,257.00	73,223,499.00	47,818,308.63	25,405,190.37	0.00
09 - Tax Appeal Board	6,800,709.00	0.00	6,800,709.00	4,098,386.65	2,702,322.35	0.00
11 - Registration, Recognition and Certification Board	3,298,045.00	0.00	3,298,045.00	2,745,130.54	552,914.46	0.00
12 - Public Service Appeal Board	2,646,868.00	153,800.00	2,800,668.00	2,564,327.44	236,340.56	0.00
13 - Office of The Prime Minister	181,402,777.00	8,714,172.00	190,116,949.00	150,580,608.41	39,536,340.59	0.00
15 - Tobago House of Assembly	1,640,094,598.00	0.00	1,640,094,598.00	1,609,813,015.66	30,281,582.34	0.00
16 - Central Administrative Services, Tobago	16,991,924.00	0.00	16,991,924.00	14,272,284.68	2,719,639.32	0.00
17 - Personnel Department	39,544,367.00	1,262,000.00	40,806,367.00	27,539,327.35	13,267,039.65	0.00
18 - Ministry of Finance	6,623,400,798.00	3,922,235,000.00	10,545,635,798.00	10,217,250,917.91	328,384,880.09	0.00
19 - Charges on Account of the Public Debt	4,286,100,940.00	0.00	4,286,100,940.00	4,278,666,684.63	7,434,255.37	0.00
20 - Pensions and Gratuities	1,274,762,100.00	80,000,000.00	1,354,762,100.00	1,302,024,185.66	52,737,914.34	0.00
21 - Ministry of Planning and Development	110,856,332.00	23,726,340.00	134,582,672.00	101,041,261.55	33,541,410.45	0.00
22 - Ministry of National Security	3,296,429,542.00	562,101,100.00	3,858,530,642.00	3,694,772,303.30	163,758,338.70	0.00
23 - Ministry of the Attorney General	187,840,112.00	4,945,700.00	192,785,812.00	159,487,342.96	33,298,469.04	0.00
24 - Ministry of Legal Affairs	131,671,781.00	4,287,307.00	135,959,088.00	111,547,826.01	24,411,261.99	0.00
25 - Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	651,187,652.00	9,670,000.00	660,857,652.00	605,786,680.26	55,070,971.74	0.00
26 - Ministry of Education	3,375,020,093.00	193,533,727.00	3,568,553,820.00	3,354,606,327.98	213,947,492.02	0.00
28 - Ministry of Health	2,837,940,565.00	9,552,400.00	2,847,492,965.00	2,692,150,938.07	155,342,026.93	0.00
30 - Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	147,871,668.00	9,653,562.00	157,525,230.00	132,362,304.62	25,162,925.38	0.00
31 - Ministry of Public Administration and Information	629,418,978.00	27,575,385.00	656,994,363.00	592,616,896.33	64,377,466.67	0.00
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>26,025,961,028.00</b>	<b>4,889,185,248.00</b>	<b>30,915,146,276.00</b>	<b>29,568,899,621.82</b>	<b>1,346,246,654.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	ORIGINAL ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES AND TRANSFERS	TOTAL APPROVED ESTIMATES FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007	VARIANCE	
					LESS THAN ESTIMATES	MORE THAN ESTIMATES
<b>Brought Forward</b>	\$ 26,025,961,028.00 €	\$ 4,889,185,248.00 €	\$ 30,915,146,276.00 €	\$ 29,568,899,621.82 €	\$ 1,346,246,654.18 €	\$ 0.00 €
35 - Ministry of Tourism	143,469,352.00	1,143,688.00	144,613,040.00	139,943,344.50	4,669,695.50	0.00
36 - Ministry of Housing	456,963,708.00	1,200,000.00	458,163,708.00	442,796,144.76	15,367,563.24	0.00
37 - Integrity Commission	18,633,862.00	0.00	18,633,862.00	11,496,177.28	7,137,684.72	0.00
38 - Environmental Commission	6,860,574.00	0.00	6,860,574.00	5,311,953.82	1,548,620.18	0.00
39 - Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2,428,849,274.00	313,296,362.00	2,742,145,636.00	2,478,450,154.61	263,695,481.39	0.00
40 - Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	726,204,851.00	538,883,859.00	1,265,088,710.00	1,234,338,266.02	30,750,443.98	0.00
42 - Ministry of Local Government	1,308,069,909.00	0.00	1,308,069,909.00	1,172,671,271.77	135,398,637.23	0.00
43 - Ministry of Works and Transport	1,902,535,417.00	366,650,000.00	2,269,185,417.00	2,150,227,116.63	118,958,300.37	0.00
46 - Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	345,435,349.00	40,782,870.00	386,218,219.00	330,398,924.96	55,819,294.04	0.00
47 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs	340,868,109.00	11,703,615.00	352,571,724.00	292,444,324.00	60,127,400.00	0.00
48 - Ministry of Trade and Industry	169,894,369.00	13,076,000.00	182,970,369.00	152,580,354.55	30,390,014.45	0.00
54 - Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	1,609,688,156.00	170,916,510.00	1,780,604,666.00	1,654,563,951.21	126,040,714.79	0.00
55 - Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	302,275,690.00	14,797,399.00	317,073,089.00	290,397,224.21	26,675,864.79	0.00
56 - Ministry of Social Development	1,848,934,296.00	0.00	1,848,934,296.00	1,614,289,008.18	234,645,287.82	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37,634,643,944.00</b>	<b>6,361,635,551.00</b>	<b>43,996,279,495.00</b>	<b>41,538,807,838.32</b>	<b>2,457,471,656.68</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**EXCHEQUER ACCOUNT AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Treasury Card balance as at 2006, October 01 (4,706,682,610.64)

Add: Receipt into Exchequer Account for October 2006 - September 2007

October, 2006	2,192,756,428.42	
November, 2006	1,636,461,347.93	
December, 2006	1,822,207,373.62	
January, 2007	5,560,656,753.24	
February, 2007	830,660,887.34	
March, 2007	1,486,278,718.83	
April, 2007	4,877,523,478.04	
May, 2007	2,854,242,846.65	
June, 2007	2,707,334,064.96	
July, 2007	5,725,768,518.70	
August, 2007	1,988,147,304.67	
September, 2007	8,807,862,732.17	<u>40,489,900,454.57</u>
		35,783,217,843.93

Less: Payments from Exchequer Account for October 2006 to September 2007

October, 2006	1,354,366,185.79	
November, 2006	2,410,185,539.33	
December, 2006	2,856,944,084.40	
January, 2007	3,392,383,278.01	
February, 2007	2,412,773,119.90	
March, 2007	4,019,906,085.49	
April, 2007	2,529,555,695.28	
May, 2007	2,926,351,677.47	
June, 2007	2,819,029,379.53	
July, 2007	4,209,401,025.46	
August, 2007	3,347,862,720.50	
September, 2007	9,261,275,263.03	<u>(41,540,034,054.19)</u>

Treasury Card balance as at 2007 September 30 (5,756,816,210.26)

**Reconciliation Statement is attached.**

**RECONCILIATION STATEMENT OF THE EXCHEQUER BANK ACCOUNT**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

	\$	c	\$	c	\$	c
Treasury Cash Card Balance as at 2007 September 30					(5,756,816,210.26)	
Add: Unpaid Cheques Balance as at 2007 September 30			2,359,342,815.37			
Less: (i) Amount short posted as paid cheques on 18/06/80		(288.00)				
(ii) Amount short posted as paid cheques on 19/01/1982		<u>(7,176.74)</u>		<u>(7,464.74)</u>		
Unpaid Cheques Balance as at 30/09/2007			2,359,335,350.63			
Add: Previous year				NIL	2,359,335,350.63	
					<u>(3,397,480,859.63)</u>	
Add: Outstanding Credits (Appendix A)		0.60				
Short Charges (Appendix B)		1.68				
Debit Adjustment to be made by Central Bank (App. G)		<u>2,191,972,628.00</u>			2,191,972,630.28	
					<u>(1,205,508,229.35)</u>	
Late Entry Credits posted to Treasury Cards to be adjusted by Central Bank		<u>20,303.82</u>			20,303.82	
					<u>(1,205,487,925.53)</u>	
Less: Overcharges (Appendix C)		(594.29)				
Credit Adjustment to be made by Central Bank (App. H)		(7,008,425,723.32)				
Outstanding Debits (Appendix D)		(0.02)				
Overposting by Central Bank (Appendix E)		(10.00)				
Short posting by Treasury (Appendix F)		<u>(0.09)</u>			(7,008,426,327.72)	
					<u>(8,213,914,253.25)</u>	
Add: Amounts to be adjusted re incorrect clearing by Central Bank						
<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Cheque Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date Cleared</u>	<u>Short Cleared</u>		
P24/569892	1999/03/31	2,370.98	1999/04/01	0.03		
P24/680472	2000/03/31	1,603.56	2000/04/06	0.02		
P00074193	27/04/2007	12,291.73	2007/04/30	0.01		
					0.06	
					<u>(8,213,914,253.19)</u>	
CENTRAL BANK BALANCE AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30					<u>(8,213,914,253.19)</u>	



**RECONCILIATION STATEMENT OF THE EXCHEQUER BANK ACCOUNT**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

**APPENDIX A:****OUTSTANDING CREDITS:**

		\$ c
December	1982	<u>0.60</u>
TOTAL:		<u>0.60</u>

**APPENDIX B:****SHORT CHARGES:**

		\$ c
December	1972	0.60
30th April	1979	0.08
4th February	1980	<u>1.00</u>
TOTAL:		<u>1.68</u>

**APPENDIX C:****OVERCHARGES:**

		\$ c
January	1975	294.26
30th September	1982	300.00
March	1979	<u>0.03</u>
TOTAL:		<u>594.29</u>

**APPENDIX D:****OUTSTANDING DEBITS:**

		\$ c
June	1977	<u>0.02</u>
TOTAL:		<u>0.02</u>

**APPENDIX E:****OVERPOSTING BY CENTRAL BANK:**

		\$ c
10th September	1977	<u>10.00</u>
TOTAL:		<u>10.00</u>

**APPENDIX F:**

**AMOUNT POSTED TO TREASURY CARD BUT  
NOT REFLECTED ON SUMMARY PAID  
CHEQUES FOR:**

		\$ c
29th September	1978	0.08
30th October	1978	<u>0.01</u>
TOTAL:		<u>0.09</u>

**RECONCILIATION STATEMENT OF THE EXCHEQUER BANK ACCOUNT**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

**APPENDIX G:****DEBIT ADJUSTMENT TO BE MADE BY  
CENTRAL BANK**

		\$	c
August	2007	20,224,096.01	
		82,290.92	
		118,483.90	
September	2007	2,061.06	
		6,270,163.83	
		9,481.05	
		146,678.54	
		5,000.00	
		56.79	
		0.19	
		61,843,580.22	
		60,883,434.10	
		891,271,664.63	
		4,041,514.14	
		101,636.45	
		10,557.33	
		1,992.80	
		146.11	
		1,125.24	
		6,191.45	
		444.69	
		168.74	
		81,780.38	
		26,407.98	
		13,602.16	
		0.02	
		0.05	
		0.01	
		0.02	
		0.02	
		0.01	
		17,752,890.40	
		95.58	
		10,557.32	
		1,125.23	
		0.03	
		7,299,132.87	
		157.85	
		20,432.88	
		16,080.00	
		1,121,729,597.00	
		<u>2,191,972,628.00</u>	

**APPENDIX H:****CREDIT ADJUSTMENT TO BE MADE BY  
CENTRAL BANK**

		\$	c
August	2007	41,486,837.40	
		1,010.49	
		26,714,297.31	
		0.01	
September	2007	185,350,790.79	
		139,928,862.14	
		46,316,431.68	
		20,393,211.59	
		5,758,574,445.89	
		7,171,109.39	
		6,993.25	
		28,143.30	
		350.00	
		41,415,319.12	
		84,321,461.26	
		70,549,720.04	
		352,093.67	
		0.30	
		244,424.09	
		37,032,791.87	
		1.00	
		8,732.01	
		32,907,123.31	
		343,860,403.09	
		10,557.33	
		1,125.24	
		1,205.05	
		1,124.45	
		142,455.27	
		190,578.00	
		184,538.88	
		14,310.22	
		27,757.90	
		171,187,517.98	
		<u>7,008,425,723.32</u>	

**STATEMENT OF THE LOANS OR CREDIT GUARANTEED BY THE GOVERNMENT  
OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

STATE ENTERPRISE / STATUTORY BOARD	LIMIT OF GUARANTEE	MAXIMUM GUARANTEED	ACTUAL CONTINGENT LIABILITY
		\$      €	\$      €
Tourism and Industrial Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited		180,000,000.00	121,500,000.00
Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited		252,438,634.15	175,554,829.00
Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Company Limited		300,000,000.00	240,000,000.00
Taurus Services Limited		2,504,609,651.86	1,617,073,412.16
First Citizens Holdings Limited	(a)	515,405,183.00	421,553,893.00
Export Import Bank of Trinidad and Tobago Limited	9,000 Mn.	44,680,000.00	38,483,000.00
Caroni (1975) Limited		1,854,983,690.00	1,450,505,638.00
National Maintenance Training and Security Company Limited		179,914,572.00	120,431,204.00
Trinidad and Tobago Forest Products Company Limited (TANTEAK)		31,174,532.26	1,635,723.01
Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited		74,668,528.04	18,692,091.37
Agricultural Development Bank		62,999,000.00	1,085,808.00
Public Transport Service Corporation	(b)	373,192,876.06	103,251,765.44
Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission	No Limit	914,292,720.00	606,683,016.00
Water and Sewerage Authority		3,638,948,518.00	3,353,110,558.00
Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago		640,000,000.00	337,414,254.00
Airports authority of Trinidad and Tobago		1,439,332,794.70	972,714,345.10
Regional Health Authorities		176,000,000.00	88,192,251.50
Chaguaramas Development Authority		16,200,000.00	3,240,000.00
Housing Development Company		2,713,151,137.15	2,713,151,137.15
The University of the West Indies	(c)(d)	184,610,071.46	112,118,381.53
<b>Total</b>		<b>16,096,601,908.68</b>	<b>12,496,391,307.26</b>

**AUTHORITY**

- (a) **Guarantee of Loans (Companies Act Chapter 71:82)**
- (b) **Guarantee of Loans (Statutory Authorities Act Chapter 71:81)**
- (c) **Guarantee of Loans (U.W.I.) Act 1993**
- (d) **National Development (Inter-American Development Bank)**  
**Loans Act Chapter 71:07**

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

### **1. GENERAL**

The Statement of Revenue, Statement of Expenditure as well as the Statement of Assets and Liabilities constitute the annual statements as identified in Section 24(1)(a) iv, v, and vii respectively of the Exchequer and Audit Act Chapter 69:01 as amended by Act No. 23 of 1998.

### **2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

(i) The accounts are kept on a cash basis. Accordingly, transactions are recorded when moneys are actually received and paid.

(ii) The Statement of Assets and Liabilities does not include the Public Debt of \$21,459,243,421.42. However, the Statutory Sinking Funds for the Public Debt in the sum of \$3,927,197,855.30 are incorporated in the Special Funds totalling \$3,938,078,482.71. The Public Debt does not include the arrears of emoluments owed to Public Sector Employees which have not yet been satisfied by the use of any mechanism, neither does it include amounts due for goods and services.

### **3. UNEMPLOYMENT FUND**

In accordance with the Unemployment Levy Act, Chapter 75:03 Section 15, the balances of the Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules C (i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

### **4. ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND**

Part X of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act, Chapter 77:01 was repealed by Part V Section 5 of Act No. 2 of 2006 which was assented to on 2006 February, 08 (Finance Act, 2006). The Road Improvement Fund therefore ceased to be operational. However, at the time of closure of this Account, legislation in respect of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) was inadvertently omitted and has not yet been amended, hence the receipts collected by the National Petroleum Company Limited (NP) in that respect, continue to be remitted to the Treasury. The balances of the Road Improvement Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules D(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

### **5. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND**

In accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 Section 43(2), the balances of the Infrastructure Development Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules E(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## 6. INTERIM REVENUE STABILISATION FUND

The Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund was established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, pending the enactment of legislation to establish the Revenue Stabilisation Fund, to address the inherent volatility in oil prices and its impact on the fiscal position. (Legal Notice No. 217 dated 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2000).

The Heritage and Stabilisation Fund was established by Act No. 6 of 2007 which was assented to on 15 March, 2007. The moneys held in the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund were transferred to the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund in accordance with Section 11 of this Act. The Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund therefore reflects a nil balance. The accounts of the Fund up to its closure are presented as Schedules F(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## 7. HERITAGE AND STABILISATION FUND

The Heritage and Stabilisation Fund was established by Act No.6 of 2007 which was assented to on 2007 March,15. This Fund was to be denominated in the currency of the United States of America. The purpose of the Fund is to save and invest surplus revenues derived from production business in order to cushion the impact on or sustain public expenditure capacity and generate an alternate stream of income so as to support public expenditure capacity during periods of revenue downturn and provide a heritage for future generations.

Section 4 (1) of the Act provides for the President to appoint a Board of Governors for the Fund. Section 10 (1) further states that the Board shall delegate its responsibility for the management of the Fund to the Central Bank. The Financial Statements will therefore be prepared by that Agency for submission to the Auditor General.

At inception, the sum of \$8,792,365,432.88 in the Interim Heritage Stabilisation Fund plus interest earned of \$99,967,990.54 was transferred to this Fund, which is denominated in the currency of the United States of America, in accordance with Section 11 of the Act. Additionally, in accordance with the formula outlined in Section 13 of the Act, amounts of \$503,592,830.00 and \$1,526,607,170.00 were withdrawn from the Consolidated Fund in July and September respectively in respect of the two quarters ended June 30 and September 30 and deposited to the Fund at the Central Bank. The computation is available for Audit scrutiny.

## 8. NATIONAL UNION OF GOVERNMENT AND FEDERATED WORKERS (NUGFW) TRAINING FUND

The National Union of Government and Federated Workers (NUGFW) Training Fund was established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit, Act Chapter, 69:01 (Legal Notice No.280 dated 2004 September, 27). In accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, Section 43(2), the balances of the NUGFW Training Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules G(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **9. GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND**

The Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund was established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 (Legal Notice No. 329 dated 2004 December, 09). In accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, Section 43(2), the balances of the GATE Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules H(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **10. GREEN FUND**

The Green Fund was established by Section 67(1) of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act as amended by Part VI Section 8(b) of the Finance Act No 5 of 2004 dated 2004 January 30. In accordance with Section 67(1) of Part XIV of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act, the balances of the Green Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules I(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **11. CARICOM TRADE SUPPORT FUND**

The CARICOM Trade Support Fund was established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 (Legal Notice No.13 dated 2005 January, 12). In accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, Section 43(2), the balances of the CARICOM Trade Support Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules J(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **12. CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND**

The Caricom Petroleum Fund was established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 (Legal Notice 302 dated 2006 November, 23). In accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, Section 43(2), the balances of the CARICOM Petroleum Fund are shown in the general accounts. The accounts of the Fund are presented as Schedules K(i) and (ii) to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

## **13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

### **(i) Loans or Credits Guaranteed by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago**

The Contingent Liabilities in respect of Loans or Credits Guaranteed by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2007 September, 30 amount to \$12,496,391,307.26. The details are reflected on the Statement submitted in accordance with Section 24(1)(a) vi of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by Act No.23 of 1998.

### **(ii) Letters of Comfort issued by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago**

The Contingent Liabilities in respect of Letters of Comfort issued by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2007 September, 30 amount to \$ 5,380,149,580.00. The details are reflected on a Statement in the Accounts.

**(iii) Promissory Notes**

The contingent liabilities in respect of outstanding Promissory Notes issued by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2007 September, 30 amount to \$2,012,587,065.82.

**(iv) Arrears of Emoluments owed to Public Sector Employees**

The sum of \$909,072.01 was notified to the Comptroller of Accounts by Ministries/Departments/Agencies as being utilized to offset mechanisms during the financial year ended 2007 September, 30. To date the sum of \$1,900.5mn. of the Public Sector Employees Liability has been satisfied. This amount comprises \$1,858.7mn. in respect of non-cash mechanisms (including Special Compensatory Time) and \$41.8mn. representing cash payments.

**(v) Open Market Operations**

The sum of \$9,245.8mn. represents the face value of bills outstanding as at 2007 September, 30 in respect of the Open Market Treasury Bills/Notes Operations as notified by the Central Bank.

**14. BALANCES OUTSTANDING ON BUILD, OPERATE, LEASE AND TRANSFER (BOLT) PROJECTS**

The balances outstanding on Build, Operate, Lease and Transfer (BOLT) Projects as at 2007, September, 30 amount to \$774,515,170.26. The details are reflected on a Statement in the Accounts.

**15. BALANCES ON LOANS ASSUMED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**

The balances outstanding in respect of Loans Assumed by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2007, September 30 in respect of Companies in which Government has/had a shareholding amount to \$11,740,217.42. The details are reflected on a Statement in the Accounts.

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**STATEMENT OF LETTERS OF COMFORT  
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER, 30**

<b><u>STATE ENTERPRISES/STATUTORY BOARD</u></b>	<b><u>CONTINGENT LIABILITY</u></b>
Tourism and Industrial Development Company of Trinidad.....	687,243,538.00
Caroni (1975) Limited.....	640,095,238.00
Public Transport Service Corporation.....	154,885,117.00
National Insurance Property Development Company Limited.....	615,700,177.00
Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company.....	39,605,805.00
National Maintenance Training and Security Company Limited.....	307,408,791.00
Vehicle Maintenance Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago.....	31,063,115.00
National Entrepreneurship Development Company Limited.....	0.00
National Helicopter Services Limited (NHSL).....	58,129,946.00
Water and Sewerage Authority.....	768,948,112.00
Housing Development Corporation.....	450,000,000.00
BWIA West Indies Airways Limited.....	200,750,000.00
Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited.....	494,019,355.00
Taurus Services Limited.....	188,237,102.00
LIAT (1974) Limited.....	0.00
Trinidad and Tobago Airports Authority.....	310,138,733.00
Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago.....	433,924,551.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,380,149,580.00</b>



**STATEMENT OF BALANCES OUTSTANDING ON  
BUILD, OPERATE, LEASE AND TRANSFER (BOLT) PROJECTS  
AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER, 30**

<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>OUTSTANDING BALANCES</u>
	\$      c
Attorney General Head Office ... ..	62,665,314.28
Industrial Court Building ... ..	16,181,233.61
Ministry of Works and Transport (Head Office) ... ..	51,117,097.43
Sangre Grande Police Divisional Headquarters ... ..	15,478,884.66
San Fernando Police Divisional Headquarters ... ..	17,355,336.18
Temple Court ... ..	5,765,501.78
Stadia Project ... ..	257,321,202.99
Trinity Schools ... ..	74,338,859.85
National Library Building Complex (Building) ... ..	201,355,735.42
National Library Building Complex (F, F&E) ... ..	72,936,004.06
62 Vehicles for the Trinidad & Tobago Defence Force ... ..	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>774,515,170.26</u></b>

**Note:**

BOLT - Build, Operate, Lease and Transfer, as the acronym implies, is an arrangement whereby Financial Institutions finance the construction of buildings or purchase furniture and equipment required on behalf of the Government.

These financial Institutions enter into lease arrangements with the respective Ministries/Departments and are paid lease rentals and other fees for the management and maintenance of the buildings etc. while occupied/used by the lessees. At the end of the lease agreements, ownership is then transferred to the Government.

**STATEMENT OF BALANCES ON LOANS ASSUMED BY  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30  
IN RESPECT OF COMPANIES IN WHICH GOVERNMENT  
HAS/HAD A SHAREHOLDING**

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>LIABILITY</u>
	\$ .¢
West Indies Shipping Corporation	11,740,217.42
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,740,217.42</b>

**SCHEDULE A****SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL FUNDS APPEARING IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT  
OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b>TITLE OF FUND</b>	<b>FUND BALANCE</b>	
	<b>\$</b>	<b>c.</b>
Provident Fund	1,756,835.69	
Stock Transfer Stamp Duty Fund	3,961.48	
Local Trustees of the Sinking Fund	3,927,197,855.30	
Savings Bonds Reserve Fund	238,980.00	
Seized Assets Fund-Ministry of National Security	39,225.00	
National Disaster Relief Fund	3,657,835.56	
Equipment Fund-Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force	1,427,266.71	
Welfare Fund-Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force	3,436,390.93	
Agriculture Disaster Relief Fund	320,132.04	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,938,078,482.71</b>	

**SCHEDULE B****SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS APPEARING IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT  
OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b>TITLE OF FUND</b>	<b>FUND BALANCE</b>	
	<b>\$</b>	<b>c.</b>
Land Assurance Fund	3,057,544.55	
Official Receiver	146,543.95	
Petroleum Office Conservation Board	32,138.13	
Post Office Savings Bank	11,525,240.81	
Public Trustee	5,763,330.67	
Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund	22,462,672.37	
Sugar Industry Price Stabilisation Fund	490,063.81	
Sugar Industry Rehabilitation Fund	4,433,768.42	
Suitors Fund and Money-Registrar and Marshall, P.O.S	1,065,502.72	
Suitors Fund and Money-Sub-Registrar, San Fernando	1,181,933.21	
Suitors Fund and Money-Sub-Registrar, Tobago	88,856.58	
Trinidad Assurance Companies Ordinance	226,569.26	
United States Naval Station, Trinidad-Provident Fund	10,572.99	
USNS, Trinidad-Provident Fund Interest Account	36,778.33	
Cane Farmers' Cess	188.59	
Cane Farmers Rehabilitation Board	91,159.46	
Comptroller of Accounts-In Trust for B & C Deosaran	2,000.00	
Petroleum Products Subsidy Fund	283,674,705.20	
Mortgage re: Diawantee Nandoo	2,544.30	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>334,292,113.35</b>	

## SCHEDULE C(i)

**THE UNEMPLOYMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 14(2) of the Unemployment Levy Act, Chapter 75:03)

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year					
\$	c		\$	c	\$ c
<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>					
1,279,015,005.74		Board of Inland Revenue			1,057,710,622.78
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1,279,015,005.74		<b>TOTAL LEVY COLLECTED</b>			1,057,710,622.78
32,287,439.63		Add: Interest on Cash Balances: Interest received for the financial year 2007			53,381,400.96
0.00		Unspent Balances from Municipal Corporations for accounting periods prior to the financial year 2007			0.00
550.51		Miscellaneous Receipts			23,208.92
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<b>1,311,302,995.88</b>		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>			<b>1,111,115,232.66</b>
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<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>					
282,379,607.19		Ministry of Local Government	276,133,857.62		
43,997,524.62		Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	43,943,400.16		
16,000,000.00		Tobago House of Assembly (Payment by the Ministry of Finance to the Tobago House of Assembly to meet expenditure under Unemployment Relief Programme)	16,000,000.00		336,077,257.78
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<b>342,377,131.81</b>		<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>			<b>336,077,257.78</b>
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968,925,864.07		Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007			775,037,974.88
1,012,717,554.42		Add Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30			1,981,643,418.49
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<b>1,981,643,418.49</b>		<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>			<b>2,756,681,393.37</b>
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**SCHEDULE C(ii)****THE UNEMPLOYMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 14(2) of the Unemployment Levy Act, Chapter 75:03)

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30****ASSETS**

Previous Year \$ c		\$ c
1,981,643,418.49	Cash	2,756,681,393.37
<b><u>1,981,643,418.49</u></b>		<b><u>2,756,681,393.37</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

1,012,717,554.42	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	1,981,643,418.49
968,925,864.07	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	775,037,974.88
<b><u>1,981,643,418.49</u></b>		<b><u>2,756,681,393.37</u></b>

## SCHEDULE D(i)

**THE ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 44 of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act, Chapter 77:01)  
 Repealed by Part V Section 5 of Act #2 of 2006 dated 2006 February 08  
 (Finance Act, 2006)

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year \$ c	<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>	\$ c
7,263,731.46	Total Road Improvement Tax Collected	253,984.03
3,464,071.14	Interest on Cash Balances: Interest received for the financial year 2007	3,636,526.12
1,085,895.05	Unspent Balances from the Municipal Corporations for accounting periods prior to the financial year 2007	900,505.03
<b><u>11,813,697.65</u></b>	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>4,791,015.18</u></b>
	<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>	
0.00	Ministry of Works and Transport	0.00
0.00	Ministry of Local Government	0.00
<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>
11,813,697.65	Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	4,791,015.18
133,116,635.79	Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	144,930,333.44
<b><u>144,930,333.44</u></b>	<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b><u>149,721,348.62</u></b>

**Note:**

At the time of closure of this Account, the legislation in respect of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) was inadvertently omitted and has not yet been amended, hence the receipts collected by the National Petroleum Company Limited (NP) in that respect, continue to be remitted to the Treasury.

## SCHEDULE D(ii)

**THE ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 44 of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act, Chapter 77:01)  
 Repealed by Part V Section 5 of Act #2 of 2006 dated 2006 February 08  
 (Finance Act, 2006)

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Previous Year		
\$	c	\$ c
144,930,333.44	Cash	149,721,348.62
<b><u>144,930,333.44</u></b>		<b><u>149,721,348.62</u></b>
 <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
133,116,635.79	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	144,930,333.44
11,813,697.65	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	4,791,015.18
<b><u>144,930,333.44</u></b>		<b><u>149,721,348.62</u></b>



## SCHEDULE E(i)

**INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 43 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 347 dated 1997 December 29

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year \$ c		\$ c
	<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>	
28,628,271.10	Interest received for the financial year 2007	92,968,294.14
458,551.11	Add: Unspent Balances from the Municipal Corporations for accounting periods prior to the financial year 2007	4,332,561.81
5,750,000,000.00	Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the Infrastructure Development Fund in the financial year 2007	2,992,850,000.00
<b><u>5,779,086,822.21</u></b>	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>3,090,150,855.95</u></b>
	<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>	
3,022,984,146.03	See Appendix	3,683,433,550.66
<b><u>3,022,984,146.03</u></b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b><u>3,683,433,550.66</u></b>
2,756,102,676.18	Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	(593,282,694.71)
536,147,724.76	Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	3,292,250,400.94
<b><u>3,292,250,400.94</u></b>	<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b><u>2,698,967,706.23</u></b>

## SCHEDULE E(ii)

**INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND**

(Established under Section 43 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 347 dated 1997 December 29

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

**ASSETS**

Previous Year			
\$	c	\$	c
3,292,250,400.94		Cash	2,698,967,706.23
<b>3,292,250,400.94</b>			<b>2,698,967,706.23</b>

**LIABILITIES**

536,147,724.76	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	3,292,250,400.94
2,756,102,676.18	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	(593,282,694.71)
<b>3,292,250,400.94</b>		<b>2,698,967,706.23</b>

**APPENDIX**  
**STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

<b>Agencies</b>	<b>Sub Head</b>	<b>Total Warrants Issued</b>	<b>Cheques Issued</b>	<b>Unexpended Balance</b>
Office of the Prime Minister	13	150,100,000.00	150,100,000.00	-
Ministry of National Security	22	5,005,646.00	4,995,220.73	10,425.27
Ministry of Education	26	299,370,188.00	297,910,619.25	1,459,568.75
Ministry of Finance	18	301,107,758.00	301,107,758.00	-
Ministry of Health	28	93,846,132.00	93,142,214.97	703,917.03
Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	40	69,700,000.00	69,700,000.00	-
Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	46	309,538,410.00	309,538,410.00	-
Ministry of Planning and Development	21	472,108,603.00	407,773,647.68	64,334,955.32
Ministry of Housing	36	960,886,000.00	960,794,934.49	91,065.51
Ministry of Public Administration and Information	31	56,100,000.00	54,808,742.76	1,291,257.24
Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	39	70,040,000.00	70,040,000.00	-
Ministry of Community Development & Gender Affairs	55	280,876,570.00	280,785,992.97	90,577.03
Ministry of Works & Transport	43	772,019,545.00	458,468,755.31	313,550,789.69
Ministry of Labour & Small & Micro Enterprise Development	30	10,850,000.00	10,850,000.00	-
Ministry of Trade & Industry	48	147,355,500.00	147,355,500.00	-
Ministry of the Attorney General	23	4,788,141.00	4,788,137.97	3.03
Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	25	59,299,183.00	59,299,034.53	148.47
Ministry of Tourism	35	1,974,582.00	1,974,582.00	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>4,064,966,258.00</b>	<b>3,683,433,550.66</b>	<b>381,532,707.34</b>

## SCHEDULE F(i)

**INTERIM REVENUE STABILISATION FUND**

(Established under Section 43 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 217 dated 2000 September 20

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year			
\$	c		\$ c
		<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>	
		Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund during the financial year 2007	0.00
3,159,980,552.00			
		Add: Interest on Cash Balances: Interest received for the period 2006 October 01 to 2007 March 15	99,967,990.54
147,793,620.86			
<b>3,307,774,172.86</b>		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>99,967,990.54</b>
0.00		<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>	0.00
		Amounts transferred from the Interim Revenue and Stabilisation Fund to the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund in accordance with Section 11 of Act No. 6 of 2007 dated 2007 March 15:	
		(i) Balance on the Interim Revenue and Stabilisation Fund as at 2007 March 15	8,792,365,432.88
		(ii) Interest accrued and credited to the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund for the financial period 2006 October 01 to 2007 March 15 and subsequently transferred to the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund	99,967,990.54
<b>0.00</b>		<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>8,892,333,423.42</b>
3,307,774,172.86		Excess of Receipts over Payments for the period 2006 October 01 to 2007 March 15	(8,792,365,432.88)
5,484,591,260.02		Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	8,792,365,432.88
<b>8,792,365,432.88</b>		<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b>0.00</b>

## SCHEDULE F(ii)

**INTERIM REVENUE STABILISATION FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 217 dated 2000 September 20

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

Previous Year \$ c	<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>	\$ c
8,792,365,432.88	Cash	0.00
<b><u>8,792,365,432.88</u></b>		<b><u>0.00</u></b>
	<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>	
5,484,591,260.02	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	8,792,365,432.88
3,159,980,552.00	Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund	0.00
147,793,620.86	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	(8,792,365,432.88)
<b><u>8,792,365,432.88</u></b>		<b><u>0.00</u></b>

## SCHEDULE G(i)

**NATIONAL UNION OF GOVERNMENT AND FEDERATED WORKERS TRAINING FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 280 dated 2004 September 27

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year			
\$	c		\$ c
		<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>	
		Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund in the Financial Year 2007	
1,000,000.00			1,000,000.00
40,375.00		Add: Interest on Cash Balances:	
		Interest received for the financial year 2007	44,502.53
<b><u>1,040,375.00</u></b>		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>1,044,502.53</u></b>
		<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>	
<b><u>0.00</u></b>		<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>
1,040,375.00		Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	1,044,502.53
1,000,000.00		Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	2,040,375.00
<b><u>2,040,375.00</u></b>		<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b><u>3,084,877.53</u></b>

## SCHEDULE G(ii)

**NATIONAL UNION OF GOVERNMENT AND FEDERATED WORKERS**  
**TRAINING FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
 Legal Notice No. 280 dated 2004 September 27

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Previous Year		
\$	c	\$
		c
2,040,375.00	Cash	3,084,877.53
<u>2,040,375.00</u>		<u>3,084,877.53</u>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
1,000,000.00	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	2,040,375.00
<u>1,040,375.00</u>	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	<u>1,044,502.53</u>
<u>2,040,375.00</u>		<u>3,084,877.53</u>

**GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 329 dated 2004 December 9

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year  
\$ c

\$ c

**RECEIPTS**

250,000,000.00	Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Fund in the financial year 2007	350,000,000.00
40,000.00	Add: (1) Amounts transferred from the Treasury Suspense Account and Credited to the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund	0.00
594,575.91	(2) Interest received for the financial year 2005 in financial year 2006	0.00
198,788.67	(3) Miscellaneous Receipts	0.00
4,259,173.93	(4) Interest on Cash Balances: Interest received for the financial year 2007	3,056,487.15
<b>255,092,538.51</b>	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>353,056,487.15</b>

**PAYMENTS**

179,680,803.84	Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	458,044,422.43
<b>179,680,803.84</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>458,044,422.43</b>
75,411,734.67	Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	(104,987,935.28)
112,349,896.74	Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	187,761,631.41
<b>187,761,631.41</b>	<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b>82,773,696.13</b>



**GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
 Legal Notice No. 329 dated 2004 December 9

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Previous Year		
\$		\$
c		c
187,761,631.41	Cash	82,773,696.13
<b><u>187,761,631.41</u></b>		<b><u>82,773,696.13</u></b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
112,349,896.74	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	187,761,631.41
75,411,734.67	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	(104,987,935.28)
<b><u>187,761,631.41</u></b>		<b><u>82,773,696.13</u></b>

**GREEN FUND**

(Finance Act #5 of 2004 dated 2004 January 30  
Part VI Section 8(b))

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year			
\$	c		\$ c
	<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>		
251,568,656.29	Board of Inland Revenue Receipts (See Note 1)	264,188,501.99	
	Less Adjustments	(7,387,519.82)	256,800,982.17
	Add: Interest on Cash Balances:		
17,193,405.69	Interest received for the financial year 2007		19,352,587.24
<b>268,762,061.98</b>	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>276,153,569.41</b>
	<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>		
*			0.00
<b>1,082,691.70</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>0.00</b>
267,679,370.28	Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007		276,153,569.41
602,358,523.84	Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30		870,037,894.12
<b>870,037,894.12</b>	<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>		<b>1,146,191,463.53</b>

**Note I**

Board of Inland Revenue Receipts are net of adjustments made during the year.

\* Payment reflected in 2006 Accounts was actually the adjustment to the Receipts.

**GREEN FUND**

(Finance Act #5 of 2004 dated 2004 January 30  
Part VI Section 8(b))

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>			
Previous	Year		
\$	c	\$	c
		Cash	
870,037,894.12			1,146,191,463.53
<b>870,037,894.12</b>			<b>1,146,191,463.53</b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>			
602,358,523.84		Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	870,037,894.12
267,679,370.28		Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	276,153,569.41
<b>870,037,894.12</b>			<b>1,146,191,463.53</b>

**CARICOM TRADE SUPPORT FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 13 dated 2005 January 12

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

Previous Year			
\$	c		\$ c
		<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>	
0.00		Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund	
		2006 - * 5,000,000.00	
		2007 - 4,000,000.00	9,000,000.00
		(*See Note 1)	
1,036,849.11		Add: Interest on Cash Balances :	
		Interest received for the financial year 2007	773,760.22
<b>1,036,849.11</b>		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>9,773,760.22</b>
		<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>	
			0.00
<b>4,149,454.00</b>		<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>0.00</b>
		Excess of Receipts over Payments for	
(3,112,604.89)		the financial year 2007	9,773,760.22
30,000,000.00		Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	26,887,395.11
<b>26,887,395.11</b>		<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b>36,661,155.33</b>

**Note 1**

The sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) was erroneously credited to the Treasury Suspense Account in 2006 instead of the CARICOM Trade Support Fund. It was transferred to the CARICOM Trade Support Fund in 2007.

## SCHEDULE J(ii)

**CARICOM TRADE SUPPORT FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 13 dated 2005 January 12

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Previous Year		
\$	c	\$ c
26,887,395.11	Cash	
		36,661,155.33
<b><u>26,887,395.11</u></b>		<b><u>36,661,155.33</u></b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
30,000,000.00	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	26,887,395.11
(3,112,604.89)	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	9,773,760.22
<b><u>26,887,395.11</u></b>		<b><u>36,661,155.33</u></b>

## SCHEDULE K(i)

**CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 302 dated 2006 November 23

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

\$	c		\$	c
		<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>		
0.00		Amount transferred from the Consolidated Fund in the financial year 2007 for the establishment of CARICOM Petroleum Fund	682,272,800.00	
0.00		Add: Interest on Cash Balances : Interest received for the financial year 2007 (See Note 1)		0.00
<b>0.00</b>		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>682,272,800.00</b>	
		<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>		
		Payments for the financial year 2007	337,308,266.00	
<b>0.00</b>		<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>337,308,266.00</b>	
0.00		Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	344,964,534.00	
0.00		Add: Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30		0.00
<b>0.00</b>		<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b>344,964,534.00</b>	

**Note 1**

Interest for the financial year ended 2007 September 30  
has not yet been credited by the Central Bank.

## SCHEDULE K(ii)

**CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND**

(Established under Section 43(2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01)  
Legal Notice No. 302 dated 2006 November 23

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Previous Year		
\$	c	\$
		c
0.00	Cash	344,964,534.00
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<b>0.00</b>		<b>344,964,534.00</b>
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<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
0.00	Balance brought forward from 2006 September 30	0.00
	Add: Excess of Receipts over Payments for the financial year 2007	344,964,534.00
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<b>0.00</b>		<b>344,964,534.00</b>
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## THE CONSOLIDATED FUND FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007

2006				
\$	¢		\$	¢
(3,011,770,035.66)		Balance as at 2006 October 01		(4,672,532,425.46)
37,613,834,894.12		Revenue	40,466,697,254.48	
<u>39,295,563,742.53</u>		Expenditure	<u>41,538,807,838.32</u>	
<u>(1,681,728,848.41)</u>			<u>(1,072,110,583.84)</u>	<u>(1,072,110,583.84)</u>
(4,693,498,884.07)		Excess of revenue over expenditure		(5,744,643,009.30)
(412,889.28)		(a) Accounting Adjustments re Previous Years		(1,113,107.07)
<u>21,379,347.89</u>		(b) Transfer of Previous Years Unpaid Balances to Consolidated Fund		<u>23,090,091.29</u>
20,966,458.61				21,976,984.22
<u>(4,672,532,425.46)</u>		Balance as at 2007 September 30		<u>(5,722,666,025.08)</u>



**SUMMARY TOTAL OF PUBLIC DEBT AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

	\$	c
(a) Local Loans -	12,819,966,074.63	
(b) External Loans -	8,639,277,346.79	
	<u>21,459,243,421.42</u>	

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

**(A) LOCAL LOANS**

LEGAL AUTHORITY	AMOUNT AUTHORISED TO BE RAISED	PRESENT DEBT
	\$                      c	\$                      c
(i) Ordinance 15 of 1920 (Chapter 222)	£1,000,000.00 converted at \$4.80 4,800,000.00	480.00
(ii) New Loans Ordinance 3 of 1941 Amendment 2 of 1943 Amendment 4 of 1944	7,000,000.00	18,992.00
(iii) Ordinances 27 of 1941 and 23 of 1942	2,100,000.00	1,056.00
(iv) Ordinance 30 of 1944	5,000,000.00	30,144.00
(v) Ordinances 36 of 1956 and 18 of 1959	63,500,000.00	67,900.00
(vi) Chapter 71:41 Legal Notice #33/87	500,000,000.00	1,819,678.35
(vii) Chapter 71:40 Legal Notice #35/87 Legal Notice #26/03 Legal Notice #182/06	15,000,000,000.00	800,000,000.00
(viii) Chapter 71:03	Amount not specified	0.00
(ix) Chapter 71:04 Act # 29/94 Legal Notice #15/00 Legal Notice #27/03	13,000,000,000.00 (External and Local)	11,825,020,586.28
(x) Act No.7 of 1995	2,000,000,000.00	10,007,238.00
(xi) Act. No.14 of 1995 Legal Notice #25/03 Legal Notice #182A/06	5,000,000,000.00	183,000,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,819,966,074.63</b>

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

**(B) EXTERNAL LOANS**

LEGAL AUTHORITY	AMOUNT AUTHORISED TO BE RAISED	PRESENT DEBT
	\$            c	\$            c
(i) Chapter 48:02	Amount not specified	0.00
(ii) Chapter 71:03	Amount not specified	1,670,196.00
(iii) Chapter 71:04 Act # 29/94 Legal Notice #15/00 Legal Notice #27/03	13,000,000,000.00 (External and Local)	0.00
(iv) Chapter 71:05 Legal Notice #111/93	9,000,000,000.00	6,147,044,858.38
(v) Chapter 71:06	Amount not specified	254,579,830.34
(vi) Chapter 71:07	Amount not specified	2,226,735,490.20
(vii) Chapter 08:02	Amount not specified	0.00
(viii) Chapter 54:40	Amount not specified	9,246,971.87
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,639,277,346.79</b>

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF LOANS FROM GENERAL REVENUE REPAYABLE TO**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

<b>TO WHOM MADE</b>	<b>LOANS ISSUED</b>	<b>AMOUNT REPAYED/ WRITTEN OFF</b>	<b>BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30</b>
	<b>\$            c</b>	<b>\$            c</b>	<b>\$            c</b>
STATE CONTROLLED ENTERPRISES	2,089,143,145.36	2,084,075,787.85	5,067,357.51
STATUTORY BODIES	1,507,997,057.75	1,978,381.96	1,506,018,675.79
OTHER GOVERNMENTS	127,467,709.24	211,246.64	127,256,462.60
OTHERS	148,281,184.83	24,738,143.17	123,543,041.66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,872,889,097.18</b>	<b>2,111,003,559.62</b>	<b>1,761,885,537.56</b>

**STATEMENT OF LOANS FROM GENERAL REVENUE REPAYABLE TO THE  
GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30**

TO WHOM MADE	AMOUNT OF LOAN	DATE	AUTHORITY	TOTAL AMOUNT REPAID/Written OFF AS AT 2007.09.30	BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007.09.30	REMARKS
<b><u>STATE CONTROLLED ENTERPRISES</u></b>	\$ c <b>2,089,143,145.36</b>			\$ c <b>2,084,075,787.85</b>	\$ c <b>5,067,357.51</b>	
<b><u>PETROTRIN (formerly TRINTOC &amp; TRINTOPEC)</u></b>		1991-1996	Cab. Min.#2223 dated 5.12.91			Total amount repaid to date: \$2,050,949,429.77 Remaining Loan - E.I.B. 1.56 repayable in 22 semi-annual Instalments commencing on 1996/06/05 and ending on 2006/12/05 was repaid in December 2006.
Modernization of Petrotrin's Pointe- a- Pierre Refinery	2,050,949,429.77			2,050,949,429.77	0.00	
Design and Construction of MTBE Plant	38,193,715.59			33,126,358.08	5,067,357.51	Repayable in 24 semi-annual instalments commencing on 1997/10/05. Total amount repaid to date: \$33,126,358.08
	<b>2,089,143,145.36</b>			<b>2,084,075,787.85</b>	<b>5,067,357.51</b>	
<b><u>STATUTORY BODIES:</u></b>	<b>1,507,997,057.75</b>			<b>1,978,381.96</b>	<b>1,506,018,675.79</b>	
<b><u>ARIMA BOROUGH CORPORATION</u></b>						
Arima Velodrome	200,000.00	1971	C.M.#1217 MF (70) 112 dated 11.6.70	200,000.00	0.00	Loan paid in financial year 2007.
<b><u>TRINIDAD &amp; TOBAGO ELECTRICITY COMMISSION</u></b>						
Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission	121,924,474.17	2005	Warrant #1 of 2005 dated 25.06.2005	0.00	121,924,474.17	Terms and conditions of repayment to be determined.
Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission	282,367,269.00	2006	Cabinet Minute #2456 dated 22.09.2005	0.00	282,367,269.00	Terms and conditions of repayment to be determined.
	<b>404,491,743.17</b>			<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>404,291,743.17</b>	
<b><u>PORT AUTHORITY</u></b>	13,897,489.58	1969-1974	3rd S.G.W. 1974	1,778,381.96	12,119,107.62	Loans to be converted to equity vide Cabinet Minute No. 270 (2nd Session) dated 2002/12/05.
- do -	262,320.00	Dec. 1975	4th S.G.W. 1975	0.00	262,320.00	-do-
- do -	3,600,000.00	Dec. 1975	4th S.G.W. 1975	0.00	3,600,000.00	-do-
- do -	2,922,000.00	Dec. 1975	4th S.G.W. 1975	0.00	2,922,000.00	-do-
- do -	8,324,777.00	1976	Exp. Est., 1976	0.00	8,324,777.00	-do-
- do -	25,085,810.00	Dec. 1976	5th S.G.W. 1976 Warrants 5, 21, 29, 36 & 38 of 1976	0.00	25,085,810.00	-do-
- do -	39,238,491.00	1977	Exp. Est., 1977	0.00	39,238,491.00	-do-
	<b>93,330,887.58</b>			<b>1,778,381.96</b>	<b>91,552,505.62</b>	
<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>2,586,965,776.11</b>			<b>2,086,054,169.81</b>	<b>500,911,606.30</b>	

TO WHOM MADE	AMOUNT OF LOAN	DATE	AUTHORITY	TOTAL AMOUNT REPAID/WRITTEN OFF AS AT 2007.09.30	BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007.09.30	REMARKS
<b>BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	\$ <sup>c</sup> 2,586,965,776.11			\$ <sup>c</sup> 2,086,054,169.81	\$ <sup>c</sup> 500,911,606.30	
<b><u>STATUTORY BODIES (CONT'D)</u></b>						
<b><u>PORT AUTHORITY (CONT'D)</u></b>						
- do -	34,008,909.00	1978	Exp. Est., 1978	0.00	34,008,909.00	Loans to be converted to equity vide Cabinet Minute No. 270 (2nd Session) dated 2002/12/05 refer. -do- -do- -do- -do- -do- -do- -do- -do- -do- -do-
- do -	116,966,822.00	1979	Exp. Est., 1979	0.00	116,966,822.00	
- do -	86,628,572.00	1980	Exp. Est., 1980	0.00	86,628,572.00	
- do -	107,521,886.00	1981	Exp. Est., 1981	0.00	107,521,886.00	
- do -	102,086,964.00	1982	Exp. Est., 1982	0.00	102,086,964.00	
- do -	263,719,897.00	1983	Exp. Est., 1983	0.00	263,719,897.00	
- do -	104,984,288.00	1984	Exp. Est., 1984	0.00	104,984,288.00	
- do -	120,647,359.00	1985	Exp. Est., 1985	0.00	120,647,359.00	
- do -	66,509,730.00	1986	Exp. Est., 1986	0.00	66,509,730.00	
- do -	7,100,000.00	1987	Exp. Est., 1987	0.00	7,100,000.00	
	<b>1,010,174,427.00</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,010,174,427.00</b>	
	<b>1,103,505,314.58</b>			<b>1,778,381.96</b>	<b>1,101,726,932.62</b>	
<b><u>OTHER GOVERNMENTS</u></b>	<b>127,467,709.24</b>			<b>211,246.64</b>	<b>127,256,462.60</b>	
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<u>GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE</u>	250,000.00	Dec. 1975	4th S.G.W. 1975	211,246.64	38,753.36	Repayable over thirty-five (35) years with a moratorium of ten (10) years on capital repayment. Interest chargeable at 2 1/2 % per annum.
<u>GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA</u>	103,938,450.00	Dec. 2005	Finance & Audit (Amendment) Act No. 37 of 2000	0.00	103,938,450.00	Bond to be repaid at par in equal semi-annual instalments on February 28 and August 31 commencing 2011 February 28. Interest chargeable at 2% per annum.
<u>GOVERNMENT OF DOMINICA</u>	23,279,259.24	Aug. 2006	Cabinet Minute #2738 dated 2004.09.30	0.00	23,279,259.24	Terms and conditions of repayment to be determined.
	<b>127,467,709.24</b>			<b>211,246.64</b>	<b>127,256,462.60</b>	
<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>3,724,607,912.35</b>			<b>2,086,265,416.45</b>	<b>1,638,342,495.90</b>	

TO WHOM MADE	AMOUNT OF LOAN	DATE	AUTHORITY	TOTAL AMOUNT REPAID/Written OFF AS AT 2007.09.30	BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007.09.30	REMARKS
<b>BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	\$ c 3,724,607,912.35			\$ c 2,086,265,416.45	\$ c 1,638,342,495.90	
<u>OTHERS</u>	148,281,184.83			24,738,143.17	123,543,041.66	
<u>NATIONAL ENERGY SKILLS CENTRE</u>	42,718,239.20		Loan Agreement dated 7.11.00	0.00	42,718,239.20	Loan amount US\$7.54Mn. Drawdown as at 2007.09.30 : US\$7,122,347.85, Euro 9,477.22 and TT\$ 1,368,475.55 To bear interest at the rate of 7% per annum. Principal repayment with effect from 2004.12.15.
	<b>42,718,239.20</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>42,718,239.20</b>	
<u>TT POST</u>	71,838,735.07		Loan Agreement dated 14.6.99	0.00	71,838,735.07	Loan Amount US\$14,850,000. Revised to US\$11,450,000. Drawdown as at 2007.09.30 : US\$11,450,000.00 Principal and Interest to be paid on 15th Dec. and 15th June . Principal repayment commenced 15th December,2004.
	<b>71,838,735.07</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>71,838,735.07</b>	
<u>TRINITY CATHEDRAL</u>	250,000.00	Sept. 1991	Cab. Min. #2879 dated 6.1.83	187,441.99	62,558.01	Loan to be repaid over a period of twenty (20) yrs, at forty (40) semi-annual instalments with effect from 24th January, 1992.
	<b>250,000.00</b>			<b>187,441.99</b>	<b>62,558.01</b>	
<u>SUGAR MANUFACTURING COMPANY LIMITED</u>	31,742,617.06	May 21, 2005 April 21, 2006	Cab. Min. #444 dated 12.2.2004	23,172,110.47	8,570,506.59	Loan amount of \$30,500,000.00. Moratorium on principal and interest for one (1) year. Interest of \$1,242,617.06 has been capitalized. Loan to be repaid in twelve (12) monthly payments of \$2,645,218.09 commencing on 2005 May 21 with the final payment due on 2006 April 21.
	<b>31,742,617.06</b>			<b>23,172,110.47</b>	<b>8,570,506.59</b>	
<u>LOANS TO STUDENTS</u>						
Previous Years ..... 1,731,593.50	1,731,593.50			1,378,590.71	353,002.79	
Amount issued in Financial Year 2007.....NIL	0			0.00	0.00	
	<b>1,731,593.50</b>			<b>1,378,590.71</b>	<b>353,002.79</b>	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>3,872,889,097.18</b>			<b>2,111,003,559.62</b>	<b>1,761,885,537.56</b>	

Summary Statement of Loans from the Funds for Long-Term Development as at 2007 September 30

F U N D	AMOUNT	AMOUNT REPAID/WRITTEN OFF AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30	BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30
	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
(1) Petroleum Development Fund	7,350,860.88	7,287,818.30	63,042.58
(2) Caribbean Integration Fund	229,744,663.70	4,368,169.09	225,376,494.61
(3) Port Development Fund	5,100,000.00	0.00	5,100,000.00
(4) Social and Community Development Projects Fund	334,375.00	334,375.00	0.00
(5) Participation in Commercial Enterprises Fund	31,332,652.00	4,604,972.86	26,727,679.14
(6) Sport, Culture and Community Development Fund	160,000.00	79,047.00	80,953.00
(7) Housing and Resettlement Fund	32,500,000.00	8,727,505.38	23,772,494.62
(8) Industrial Development and Commercial Enterprises Fund	1,771,925.00	0.00	1,771,925.00
(9) Long Term Development Fund	220,046,486.77	28,363,423.81	191,683,062.96
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>528,340,963.35</b>	<b>53,765,311.44</b>	<b>474,575,651.91</b>



**Summary of Transactions in respect of the Statement of Loans from the Funds for Long-Term Development  
for the Financial Year 2007**

		\$ c
Balance brought forward at 2006 October 01		481,612,260.96
ADD:	Amount due to currency adjustment	1,008,692.86
LESS:	Capital repayments/write-offs for the Financial Year 2007 (See 1-4 below)	(8,045,301.91)
Balance as at 2007 September 30		<b>474,575,651.91</b>
<b>CAPITAL REPAYMENTS/WRITE-OFFS for the Financial Year 2007</b>		
<b><u>CAPITAL REPAYMENTS</u></b>		
(1)	Government of Guyana	1,798,647.61
(2)	Caribbean Development Bank	330,938.46
(3)	Mount St. Benedict Abbey	19,661.47
(4)	Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Company Limited	5,896,054.37
<b>TOTAL REPAID</b>		<b>8,045,301.91</b>
<b><u>WRITE-OFFS</u></b>		<b>NIL</b>

### Summary of Loans from the Funds for Long-Term Development as at 2007 September 30

		\$	c
GRAND TOTAL OF LOANS - ALL FUNDS	... ..	528,340,963.35	
AMOUNT REPAYED/WRITTEN-OFF AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30	... ..	53,765,311.44	
BALANCE OUTSTANDING AS AT 2007 SEPTEMBER 30	... ..	<b>474,575,651.91</b>	

# **CHAPTER 1**

## **THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURY**



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## ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURY

1.01 Under section 4 (3) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 (the Act) the Treasury is required to “...so *superintend the expenditure of public moneys as to ensure that proper arrangements for accounting to the House for such expenditure are made.*” According to the Act, the Treasury means the Minister responsible for Finance and includes such officer or officers in the Ministry of Finance as may be deputed by the Minister to exercise powers and to perform duties under the Act.

1.02 Section 3 of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 states:

*“3. The Minister shall, subject to the Constitution and this Act, have the management of the Consolidated Fund and the supervision, control and direction of all matters relating to the financial affairs of the State which are not by law assigned to any other Minister.”*

1.03 In this respect the Minister of Finance is responsible for the laying down of all accounting policies, procedures and processes as well as the system of internal controls and is entitled to inspect all records and documents.

### **Financial Statements**

1.04 Section 24 (1) (a) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by the Financial Year Act, 1998 requires the Treasury to submit certain statements to the Auditor General. The Treasury Statements received for audit are listed at Appendix 1 and are referenced as TS 1 to TS 47. Comments on the examination of these Financial Statements follow.

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

### **ASSETS**

#### **INVESTMENTS - \$115,052,177.47**

1.05 At the end of the financial year 2007 the balance on Investments was \$115,052,177.47. There was a net decrease in total Investments of \$1,478.39 from the previous year's balance due to the net changes in position of the various funds invested as outlined below:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
General (Treasury Deposits)	10,944,518.18	10,507,540.88
Special Funds	83,764,289.40	84,661,419.65
Trust Funds	17,736,260.71	17,277,586.15
Consolidated Fund	<u>2,607,109.18</u>	<u>2,607,109.18</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>115,052,177.47</u></b>	<b><u>115,053,655.86</u></b>

#### **General (Treasury Deposits) - \$ 10,944,518.18**

1.06 These Investments comprise fixed deposits held at the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago and funds in money market accounts at the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation. The Investments were held on behalf of the undermentioned:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Administrator General	533,819.42	548,719.42
Pool Betting Deposits	1,350,000.00	1,350,000.00
Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	<u>9,060,698.76</u>	<u>8,608,821.46</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>10,944,518.18</u></b>	<b><u>10,507,540.88</u></b>

1.07 The reasons for the change from the previous year were as follows:

- During the financial year 2007 an amount of \$14,900.00 was withdrawn by the Administrator General resulting in the reduction in the balance as at 2007 September 30 to \$533,819.42.

1.07 Cont'd

- Interest of \$451,877.30 which was earned on the investment in respect of the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries was capitalized.

**Special Funds - \$83,764,289.40**

1.08 The figure of \$83,764,289.40 represents the total of balances in the following Funds:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Provident Fund	1,400,000.00	2,000,000.00
Local Trustees of the Sinking Fund	79,958,168.28	80,392,507.11
Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Welfare Fund	<u>2,406,121.12</u>	<u>2,268,912.54</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>83,764,289.40</u></b>	<b><u>84,661,419.65</u></b>

1.09 The investment of the Provident Fund was reduced by \$600,000.00 as a result of the withdrawal of 30,000 units in the Second Unit Scheme of the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation.

1.10 There was an overall decrease in the Sinking Fund of \$434,338.83 which represents the net of depreciation on revaluation of securities of \$704,437.00 and the foreign exchange appreciation of \$270,098.17 on Yen Investments as at 2007 September 30. However, due to the use of an incorrect foreign exchange rate the figure of \$79,958,168.28 is overstated by \$429,403.69

1.11 The increase in respect of the Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Welfare Fund of \$137,208.58 represents earnings on the investment in the Money Market Fund of the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation which were reinvested.

**Trust Funds - \$17,736,260.71**

1.12 The figure of \$17,736,260.71 represents amounts invested in mutual funds, fixed deposits, fixed rate bonds and foreign securities. Details of the composition of the balance as at 2007 September 30 and comparative figures at the end of the previous financial year follow:

1.12 Cont'd.

	2007 09 30	2006 09 30
	\$	\$
Post Office Savings Bank	8,509,597.95	8,509,597.95
Public Trustee	3,841,445.76	3,382,096.20
Sugar Industry Price Stabilisation Fund	164,022.00	164,022.00
Sugar Industry Rehabilitation Fund	140,000.00	140,000.00
Trinidad Assurance Companies Ordinance	51,195.00	51,870.00
Cane Farmers' Rehabilitation Fund	30,000.00	30,000.00
Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund	<u>5,000,000.00</u>	<u>5,000,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>17,736,260.71</u></b>	<b><u>17,277,586.15</u></b>

1.13 There was an increase of \$458,674.56 in the balance of Trust Funds compared with the previous year's balance. This was due to the following:

- i) The investments relating to the Public Trustee showed a net increase of \$459,349.56 as a result of receipts of \$578,837.33 and withdrawals of \$119,487.77.
- ii) The investment in securities in respect of the Trinidad Assurance Companies Ordinance depreciated by \$675.00 as at 2007 September 30.

1.14 The balances on the following accounts as at 2007 September 30 remained the same as those at the previous financial year end:

- Post Office Savings Bank
- Sugar Industry Price Stabilisation Fund
- Sugar Industry Rehabilitation Fund
- Cane Farmers' Rehabilitation Fund
- Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund.

**Consolidated Fund – \$2,607,109.18**

1.15 The balance on this Fund as at 2007 September 30 remained the same as the balance as at 2006 September 30. The figure of \$2,607,109.18 is made up mainly of deposits with the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.



### **Valuation of Investments**

1.16 The investments totalling \$115,052,177.47 were valued as at 2007 September 30 as follows:

- Local investments were valued at market rate.
- Investments held at the Central Bank and at the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation were valued at cost.
- Securities held at Barclays Bank, New York (the Bank) were valued at valuations notified by the Bank.

### **ADVANCES - \$150,080,026.11**

1.17 The figure \$150,080,026.11 represents amounts due to the State at 2007 September 30 in respect of sums advanced from the undermentioned accounts:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Treasury Deposits	1,651,483.64	10,660,580.35
Advances Fund	<u>148,428,542.47</u>	<u>144,555,839.05</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>150,080,026.11</u></b>	<b><u>155,216,419.40</u></b>

### **Treasury Deposits - \$1,651,483.64**

1.18 Treasury Deposits totalling \$1,651,483.64 are amounts due to the State as at 2007 September 30 as a result of the following:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
• Advances made to other Governments and Administrations	1,268,457.60	1,268,457.60
• Advances in respect of payments made on behalf of other Governments and Administrations	405,534.46	8,892,122.75
• Other	<u>(22,508.42)</u>	<u>500,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>1,651,483.64</u></b>	<b><u>10,660,580.35</u></b>

1.19 There was no activity in the account "Advances made to other Governments and Administrations" for the financial year 2007. It is noted that the outstanding balance of \$1,268,457.60 remains unchanged from as far back as the year 1999.

1.20 Advances in respect of payments made on behalf of other Governments and Administrations showed a net decrease of \$8,486,588.29. This was the net result of repayments made by other Governments and agencies totalling \$8,611,481.10 and further payments by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago on behalf of other Caribbean Governments to the extent of \$124,892.81.

1.21 With respect to "Other", an amount of \$500,000.00 was repaid. This represented an amount which was advanced to the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Committee in 2005 October for the purpose of operating an Imprest Cash Account from which housing loans could be made available to sugar workers and cane farmers. Further, amounts totalling \$1,127,849,490.05 were received over amounts advanced of \$1,127,826,981.63.

#### **Advances Fund - \$148,428,542.47**

1.22 The figure of \$148,428,542.47 showed an increase of \$3,872,703.42 or 2.68% over the previous year's balance. The figure represents, inter alia, balances outstanding on Motor Vehicle Loans and Computer Loans made to public officers as well as amounts held as Irredeemable Imprests in accordance with Instruction 178 of the Financial Instructions, 1965. Details are shown below:

	2007 09 30 \$	2006 09 30 \$
(i) Motor Vehicle Loans	134,782,795.91	130,678,009.38
(ii) Computer Loans	2,540,403.99	2,632,255.79
(iii) Irredeemable Imprests	7,875,165.98	8,095,757.90
(iv) Other Advances	<u>3,230,176.59</u>	<u>3,149,815.98</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>148,428,542.47</u></b>	<b><u>144,555,839.05</u></b>

#### **CASH AND BANK - \$9,632,671,411.39**

1.23 The composition of the figure for Cash and Bank is given on the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Treasury Statement TS 1 refers.

#### **Exchequer Account (\$5,756,816,210.26)**

1.24 The Exchequer Account is the bank account for the Consolidated Fund. According to the records of the Comptroller of Accounts as at 2007 September 30 the Exchequer Account was overdrawn by \$5,756,816,210.26. Treasury Statement referenced TS 5 refers. Movements in the Account for the financial year 2007 with the 2006 comparatives are as follows:

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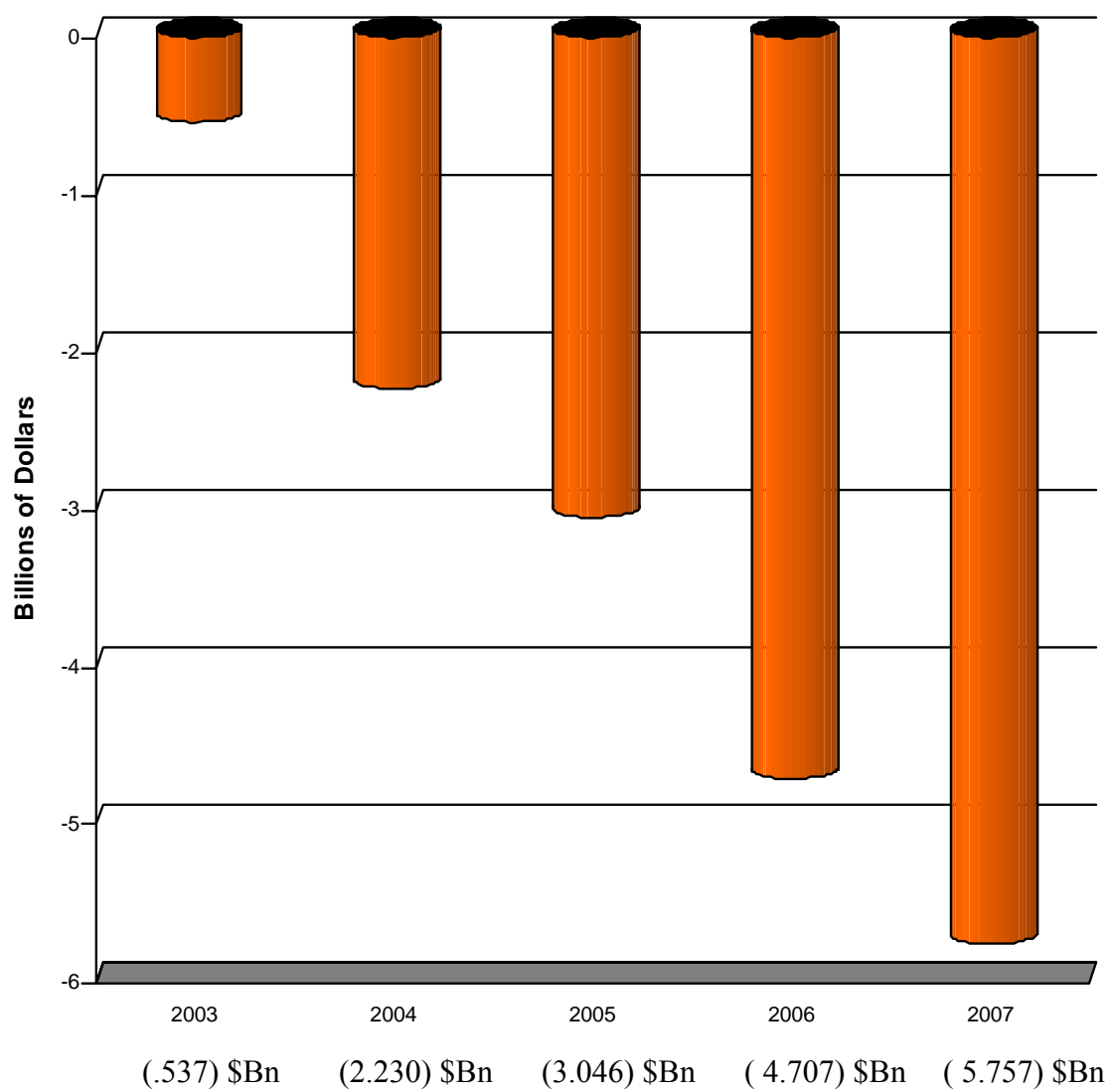
	<b>Financial Year 2007 \$</b>	<b>Financial Year 2006 \$</b>
Receipts for the financial year	40,489,900,454.57	37,635,214,242.01
Less: Payments for the financial year	<u>(41,540,034,054.19)</u>	<u>(39,295,976,631.81)</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts	( 1,050,133,599.62)	( 1,660,762,389.80)
Balance brought forward at October 01	<u>( 4,706,682,610.64)</u>	<u>( 3,045,920,220.84)</u>
<b>Balance as at September 30</b>	<b><u>(5,756,816,210.26)</u></b>	<b><u>(4,706,682,610.64)</u></b>

1.25 The overdrawn balance of (\$5,756,816,210.26) as at 2007 September 30 was satisfactorily reconciled with the corresponding debit balance of (\$8,213,914,253.19) confirmed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago. Treasury Statements referenced TS 6 and TS 7 refer.

1.26 Comparative balances as at the end of the financial years 2003 to 2007 are as stated below and reflected in Chart 1.

<b><u>Year End</u></b>	<b><u>Balance</u> \$</b>
2003.09.30	(537,166,775.02)
2004.09.30	(2,229,824,594.24)
2005.09.30	(3,045,920,220.84)
2006.09.30	(4,706,682,610.64)
2007.09.30	(5,756,816,210.26)

### Balances on the Exchequer Account at the end of the Financial Years 2003 to 2007



**CHART 1** Paragraph 1.26 refers

**Treasury Deposits Account - \$7,855,303,853.71**

1.27 The figure of \$7,855,303,853.71 is the balance in the bank account in respect of monies held in the various Treasury Deposit Accounts. This figure shows a 0.68% increase over the previous year's balance and was reconciled with the credit balance of \$6,066,980,685.49 confirmed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

**Treasury Funds Account - \$308,558,427.16**

1.28 This bank account is the repository for all receipts pertaining to the Contingencies Fund and the Advances Fund. There was an increase of \$3,872,703.42 or 1.24 % over the previous year's balance.

1.29 The figure of \$308,558,427.16 at 2007 September 30 was reconciled with the debit balance of (\$219,125,014.21) confirmed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

**Treasury Suspense Account - \$6,158,947.18**

1.30 The Treasury Suspense Account is the 'Clearing House' into which all monies collected by the State are deposited before being analyzed by the Comptroller of Accounts for posting to the appropriate bank account. A statement reconciling the Treasury's balance of \$6,158,947.18 with the credit balance of \$7,070,609,427.76 confirmed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago was received and has been verified.

**Unemployment Fund - \$2,756,681,393.37**

**Road Improvement Fund - \$149,721,348.62**

**Infrastructure Development Fund - \$2,698,967,706.23**

**Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund - \$0.00**

**NUGFW Training Fund - \$3,084,877.53**

**Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund - \$82,773,696.13**

**Green Fund - \$1,146,191,463.53**

**CARICOM Trade Support Fund - \$36,661,155.33**

**CARICOM Petroleum Fund - \$344,964,534.00**

1.31 The above cash balances were reconciled with the corresponding balances confirmed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago.

**Exchequer Suspense Account - \$420,218.86**

1.32 This is an intermediary account into which collections by cashiers from the Comptroller of Accounts, Central Administrative Services, Tobago, the Tobago House of Assembly and District Revenue Offices are lodged until such sums are transferred into the Treasury Suspense Account.

1.33 The figure of \$420,218.86 as at 2007 September 30 was verified. This balance represents cash on hand with cashiers at the end of the financial year.

**LIABILITIES**

**DEPOSITS - \$7,949,923,465.31**

1.34 The figure of \$7,949,923,465.31 represents monies held on deposit as at 2007 September 30. The composition of the figure at 2007 September 30 and comparative figures at the previous year end are shown below:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Treasury Deposits (General)	3,677,552,869.25	4,371,061,738.23
Special Funds	3,938,078,482.71	3,387,375,528.16
Trust Funds	<u>334,292,113.35</u>	<u>147,563,768.26</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>7,949,923,465.31</u></b>	<b><u>7,906,001,034.65</u></b>

**Treasury Deposits (General) - \$3,677,552,869.25**

1.35 Treasury Deposits (General) are amounts held by the Treasury pending application for repayment in accordance with the purposes for which the deposits were made. The amount of \$3,677,552,869.25 is the total of deposits still on hand at the end of the financial year 2007. The composition of Treasury Deposits (General) at 2007 September 30 with comparative figures at the end of the financial year 2006 are given below:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
General	3,676,667,580.40	4,370,402,119.03
Magistrates'/High Court		
Maintenance	694,414.22	706,887.28
Payments by Other		
Governments and		
Administrations	190,874.63	(47,268.08)
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>3,677,552,869.25</u></b>	<b><u>4,371,061,738.23</u></b>

### **Treasury Deposits (General) - \$3,677,552,869.25 (cont'd)**

1.36 The net decrease of \$693,509,868.98 is accounted for as shown below:

- General Deposits showed an overall decrease of \$693,734,538.63 from the corresponding figure for the previous year. This was largely due to a net difference of \$744,420,404.73 as a result of payments exceeding deposits with respect to Production Sharing Contracts as well as a net increase of monies on deposit in other accounts amounting to \$50,685,866.10.
- Magistrates'/High Court Maintenance Deposits showed a decrease of \$12,473.06.
- Payments by Other Governments and Administrations showed a net increase of \$238,142.71 as a result of the following:
  - Payments of \$285,892.00 by the Government of Barbados on behalf of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago
  - An increase in payments to the Government of Grenada of \$47,749.29.

1.37 It was noted that there were several debit balances totalling \$190,688.41 on the account – Payments by Other Governments and Administrations. The reason for these debit balances was not determined.

### **Special Funds - \$3,938,078,482.71**

1.38 There was a net increase of \$550,702,954.55 or 16.26% over the balance at the end of the previous financial year. The composition of the figure of \$3,938,078,482.71 is given at Schedule A. TS 16 refers. Some comments on major changes are given below.

#### ***The Provident Fund***

1.39 There was a decrease of \$238,342.79 when compared with the previous year's balance. This was due to the fact that contributions into the Fund and interest earned were less than the total withdrawals from the Fund.

#### ***Savings Bonds Reserve Fund***

1.40 The Savings Bonds Reserve Fund declined by \$620.00 as a result of a payment in respect of National Savings Bonds for the financial year 2007.

### ***Local Trustees of the Sinking Fund***

1.41 This Fund balance increased by \$550,804,708.76. This increase represented additional contributions to the Fund, earnings on investments and the increase in valuation of investments at the year end date.

### ***Welfare Fund – Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force***

1.42 The increase of \$137,208.58 represents dividends on investments held at a financial institution.

### **Trust Funds - \$334,292,113.35**

1.43 The figure of \$334,292,113.35 represents the total of balances on nineteen (19) Funds. Treasury Statement TS 17 refers. There was an overall increase of \$186,728,345.09 or 126.54% when compared with the previous year's figure, the largest increase being in the Petroleum Products Subsidy Fund, in which there was a net increase of \$181,980,548.92. The increase represented the excess of total levy received from petroleum companies over the payments made by warrants as authorized by section 5 (2) of the Petroleum Production Levy and Subsidy Act, Chapter 62:02.

### **FUNDS - \$1,947,880,149.66**

1.44 The composition of the figure of \$1,947,880,149.66 is as shown below:

	<b>2007 09 30</b>	<b>2006 09 30</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
• Unemployment Fund	2,756,681,393.37	1,981,643,41
• Road Improvement Fund	149,721,348.62	144,930,333.44
• Infrastructure Development Fund	2,698,967,706.23	3,292,250,400.94
• Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund	0.00	8,792,365,432.88
• National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund	3,084,877.53	2,040,375.00
• Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund	82,773,696.13	187,761,631.41
• Green Fund	1,146,191,463.53	870,037,894.12
• CARICOM Trade Support Fund	36,661,155.33	26,887,395.11
• CARICOM Petroleum Fund	344,964,534.00	0.00
• Advances Fund	351,500,000.00	351,500,000.00
• Contingencies Fund	100,000,000.00	100,000,000.00
• Consolidated Fund	<u>(5,722,666,025.08)</u>	<u>(4,672,532,425.46)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>1,947,880,149.66</u></b>	<b><u>11,076,884,455.93</u></b>



1.45 Financial Statements for the following Funds were received from the Ministry of Finance:

- Unemployment Fund
- Road Improvement Fund
- Infrastructure Development Fund
- Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund
- National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund
- Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund
- Green Fund
- CARICOM Trade Support Fund.
- CARICOM Petroleum Fund

Information relative to these Funds is given below.

**Unemployment Fund - \$2,756,681,393.37**

1.46 The figure of \$2,756,681,393.37 showed a net increase of \$775,037,974.88 over the previous year's balance as a result of the following transactions:

			\$
Receipts	- Levy collected for 2007	-	1,057,710,622.78
	- Interest on cash balances	-	53,381,400.96
	- Miscellaneous receipts	-	23,208.92
			<b><u>1,111,115,232.66</u></b>
Payments by	- Ministry of Local Government	-	276,133,857.62
	- Ministry of Public Utilities	-	43,943,400.16
	- Ministry of Finance re Tobago House of Assembly	-	16,000,000.00
			<b><u>336,077,257.78</u></b>

1.47 There was a difference of \$1,736,176.37 between expenditure of \$277,870,033.99 according to the Notification of Disbursement submitted by the Ministry of Local Government and that of \$276,133,857.62 according to the records of the Treasury. The reason for the difference was not ascertained. TS 18 and TS 19 refer.

### **Road Improvement Fund - \$149,721,348.62**

1.48 This Fund showed an increase of \$4,791,015.18 over the previous year's balance. Receipts for the financial year 2007 comprised the following:

	\$
- Taxes collected on CNG	253,984.03
- Interest on cash balances	3,636,526.12
- Unspent balances from Municipal Corporations for previous years	900,505.03

1.49 Taxes collected on Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) continued to be deposited to the Fund despite the fact that Part X of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act was repealed by section 5 Part V of the Finance Act 2006 (Act No. 2 of 2006) which was assented to on 2006 February 08. The Road Improvement Fund ceased to be operational from that date.

1.50 According to Note 4 to the Accounts it is stated that "...at the time of closure of this Account, legislation in respect of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) was inadvertently omitted and has not yet been amended, hence the receipts collected by the National Petroleum Company Limited (NP) in that respect continue to be remitted to the Treasury."

1.51 Notwithstanding the foregoing, it was noted that other monies were placed to this account, namely, interest on cash balances and unspent balances from Municipal Corporations for previous years. In light of the repeal of the legislation, it is recommended that appropriate action be taken to give effect to the legislation.

### **Infrastructure Development Fund - \$2,698,967,706.23**

1.52 The figure of \$2,698,967,706.23 was satisfactorily verified according to the records of the Treasury. Receipts into the Fund totalling \$3,090,150,855.95 consisted of transfers from the Consolidated Fund totalling \$2,992,850,000.00, unspent balances from two (2) Regional Corporations totalling \$406,648.47, the recovery of an overpayment of \$3,925,913.34 in respect of a contract relevant to the Uriah Butler Highway and interest earned of \$92,968,294.14. Expenditure from the Fund by Ministries/Departments totalled \$3,683,433,550.66. Treasury Statements referenced TS 22 to TS 24 refer.

### **Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund - \$0.00**

1.53 In accordance with section 11 of the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund Act, (Act No. 6 of 2007) which was assented to on 2007 March 15, all monies in the Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund totalling \$8,892,333,423.42 were transferred to the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund. According to section 10 (1) of the said Act, the Fund is to be managed by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago. Treasury Statements referenced TS 25 and TS 26 as well as Note 7 to the Accounts are relevant.

### **National Union of Government and Federated Workers (NUGFW)**

#### **Training Fund - \$3,084,877.53**

1.54 Cabinet in 2004 August agreed to the establishment of a Training Fund with effect from 2004 October 01 for the purpose of training and re-training of hourly, daily and weekly-rated workers of the Central Government, the Tobago House of Assembly and certain Municipal Corporations where the National Union of Government and Federated Workers is the certified bargaining agent.

1.55 The Chief Personnel Officer was appointed Administering Officer for the National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund with effect from 2004 October 01.

1.56 The Fund increased by \$1,044,502.53 over the previous year's balance of \$2,040,375.00. The increase was due to a transfer of \$1,000,000.00 from the Consolidated Fund and also interest earned on the account for the financial year 2007 in the amount of \$44,502.53.

1.57 There were no withdrawals from the Fund in the Financial Year 2007. Treasury Statements referenced TS 27 and TS 28 refer.

### **Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Fund - \$82,773,696.13**

1.58 Legal Notice No. 329 dated 2004 December 09 amended the First Schedule to the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 to include the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Fund.

1.59 The GATE Fund showed a decrease of \$104,987,935.28 from the previous year's balance of \$187,761,631.41. This resulted from an excess of payments of \$458,044,422.43 over receipts of \$350,000,000.00 from the Consolidated Fund and interest earned on cash balances of \$3,056,487.15. Treasury Statements referenced TS 29 and TS 30 refer.

### **Green Fund - \$1,146,191,463.53**

1.60 The Green Fund was established under section 65 (1) of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act (the Act). According to section 64 of the Act, the purpose of the Fund is to enable grants to be made to community groups and organizations primarily engaged in activities related to the remediation, reforestation and conservation of the environment.

1.61 The Board of Inland Revenue is charged with the collection of the Green Fund Levy in accordance with section 62 of the Act.

1.62 Receipts into the Fund for the financial year 2007 amounted to \$276,153,569.41. This comprised the net deposits from the Board of Inland Revenue of \$256,800,982.17 of the Green Fund Levy and interest on cash balances amounting to \$19,352,587.24.

1.63 There were no withdrawals from the Fund during the financial year 2007.

1.64 Treasury Statements referenced TS 31 and TS 32 refer.

### **CARICOM Trade Support Fund - \$36,661,155.33**

1.65 The figure of \$36,661,155.33 represents an increase of 36.35% over the previous year's balance. The increase comprised receipts of \$9,773,760.22 made up as follows:

	\$
Transfers from the Consolidated Fund in 2006 now brought to account in 2007	5,000,000.00
Transfers from the Consolidated Fund in 2007	4,000,000.00
Interest earned for 2007	773,760.22

1.66 No withdrawals were made out of the Fund for 2007.

1.67 Treasury Statements referenced TS 33 and TS 34 refer.

### **CARICOM Petroleum Fund - \$344,964,534.00**

1.68 Cabinet in 2006 September agreed, inter alia, to the creation of a CARICOM Petroleum Fund under section 43 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. The purpose of this Fund was to provide relief to member countries which were experiencing economic hardship because of the recent substantial price increases in crude oil and petroleum products. The Fund was established via Legal Notice No. 302 dated 2006 November 23.

**CARICOM Petroleum Fund - \$344,964,534.00 (cont'd)**

1.69 Amounts totalling \$682,272,800.00 were transferred from the Consolidated Fund into this Fund for the financial year 2007 and payments amounting to \$337,308,266.00 were made from the Fund.

1.70 Treasury Statements TS 35 and TS 36 refer.

**Advances Fund - \$351,500,000.00**

1.71 This Fund consists of amounts set aside from the Consolidated Fund to provide loans to public officers for certain purposes as well as to fund irredeemable imprests. There were no changes to the Fund amount for the financial year 2007.

**Contingencies Fund - \$100,000,000.00**

1.72 This Fund was established in accordance with section 16 (1) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 to defray unforeseen expenditure.

1.73 By Legal Notice No. 203 dated 2006 September 21, the previous authorized limit of \$25,000,000.00 for the Contingencies Fund was increased to \$100,000,000.00. The value of the Fund remained unchanged for the financial year 2007.

**Consolidated Fund – (\$5,722,666,025.08)**

1.74 The balance on the Consolidated Fund increased by \$1,050,133,599.62 over the previous year's figure. This was as a result of expenditure of \$41,538,807,838.32 exceeding revenue for the year of \$40,466,697,254.48 by \$1,072,110,583.84 and prior year adjustments totalling \$21,976,984.22.

1.75 It was noted however that expenditure as per Appropriation Accounts totalled \$41,611,217,000.07 which is \$72,409,161.75 more than expenditure reflected on the Statement of Expenditure submitted by the Treasury. The overdrawn balance is therefore understated by this amount.

1.76 Treasury Statement referenced TS 37 refers.

## **STATEMENT OF REVENUE**

### **Total Revenue Collected - \$40,466,697,254.48**

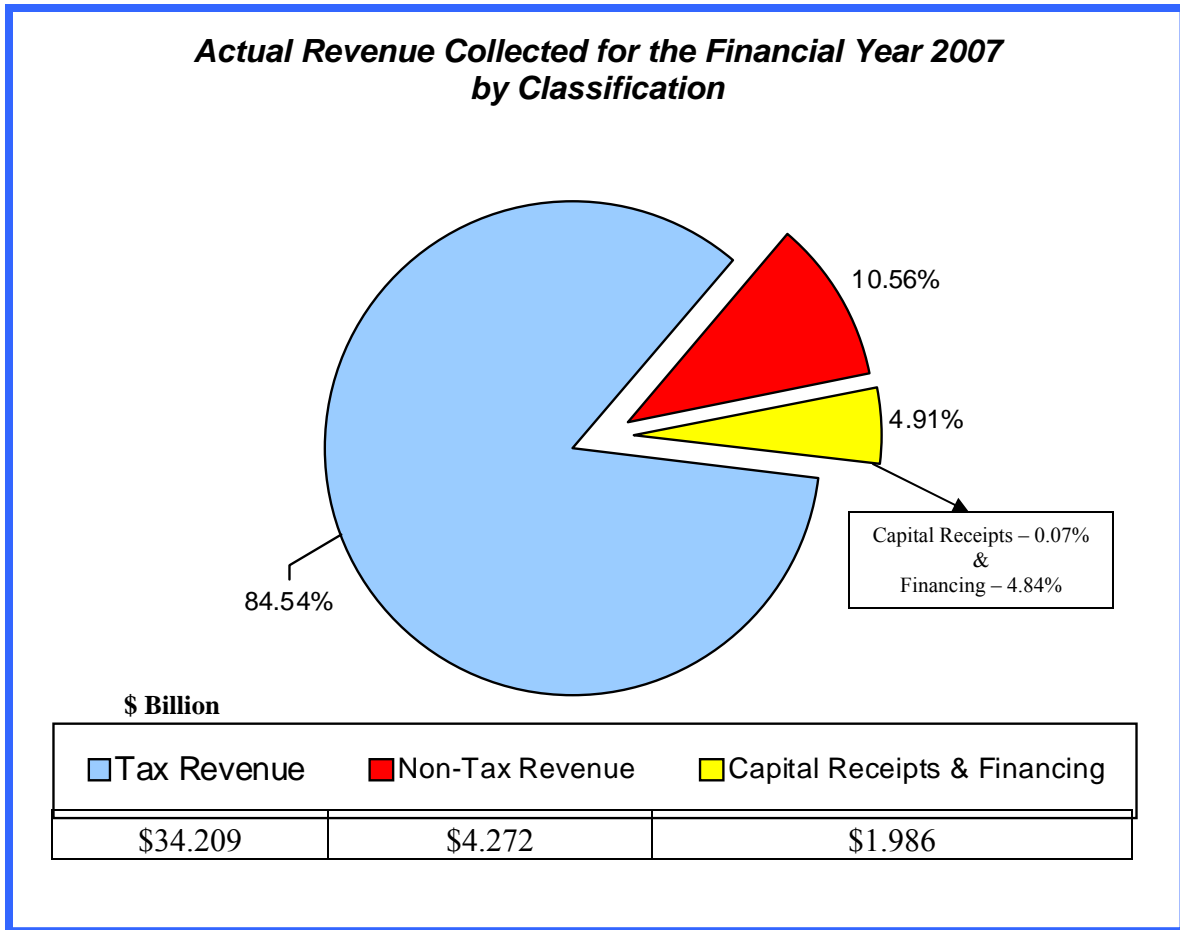
1.77 Actual revenue collected for the financial year 2007 as shown by the records of the Treasury was \$40,466,697,254.48. Treasury Statement referenced TS 2 refers.

1.78 Table 1 and Chart 2 show revenue collected for the financial year 2007 by classification. Table 1 also shows the comparative figures for the financial year 2006.

**TABLE 1**

### **ACTUAL REVENUE COLLECTED BY CLASSIFICATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL REVENUE COLLECTED FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2007 \$</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL REVENUE %</b>	<b>ACTUAL REVENUE COLLECTED FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2006 \$</b>
Tax Revenue	34,209,142,431.63	84.54	33,493,216,197.18
Non-Tax Revenue	4,271,680,094.33	10.56	3,910,970,474.14
Capital Receipts	29,581,701.55	0.07	4,043,568.67
Financing	1,956,293,026.97	4.83	205,604,654.13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40,466,697,254.48</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>37,613,834,894.12</b>



**CHART 2** Paragraph 1.78 refers

### **Comparison of Revenue Collected for the Financial Years 2006 and 2007**

1.79 The Actual Revenue for the financial years 2006 and 2007 displayed at Table 1 when compared revealed the following:

- There was an overall increase of \$2,852,862,360.36 in revenue collected during the financial year 2007
- Tax Revenue increased by \$715,926,234.45 and Non-Tax Revenue by \$360,709,620.19
- There was an increase of \$25,538,132.88 in Capital Receipts
- Financing (Borrowings) increased by \$1,750,688,372.84.

1.80 Table 2 and Chart 3 show the relationship between Financing (Borrowings) and Total Revenue over the financial years 2003 to 2007.

**TABLE 2**  
**COMPARISON BETWEEN BORROWINGS AND TOTAL REVENUE**  
**OVER THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2003 TO 2007**

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Financing (Borrowings)</b>	<b>Tax/Non-Tax Revenue and Capital Receipts</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>Percentage of Financing (Borrowings) to Total Revenue %</b>	<b>Ratio of Financing (Borrowings) to Total Revenue</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>		
2003	2,455,677	17,207,288	19,662,965	12.49	1:8
2004	844,254	20,525,945	21,370,199	3.95	1:25
2005	1,093,493	28,710,366	29,803,859	3.67	1:28
2006	205,605	37,408,230	37,613,835	0.55	1:183
2007	1,956,293	38,510,404	40,466,697	4.83	1:21



### COMPARISON BETWEEN BORROWINGS AND TOTAL REVENUE OVER THE YEARS 2003 TO 2007

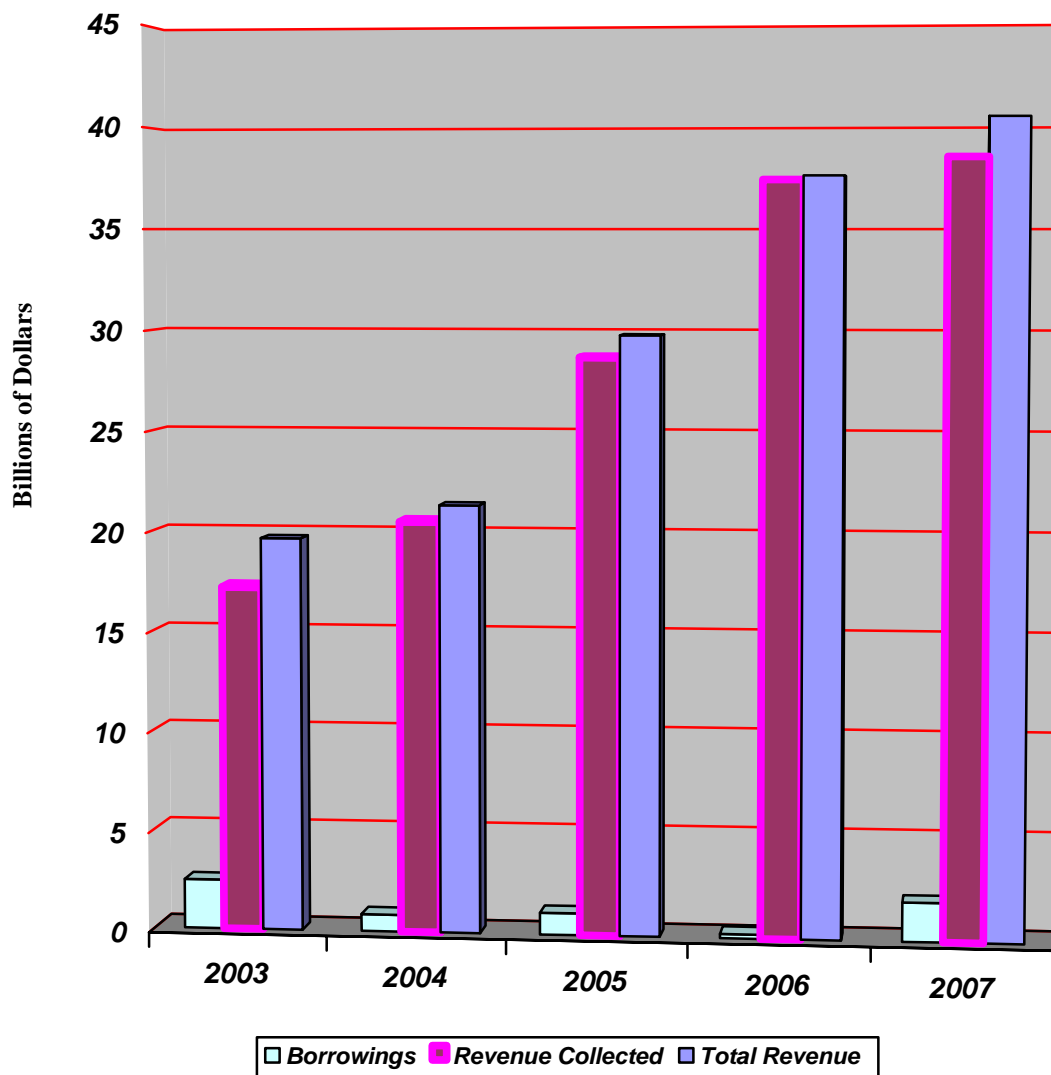


CHART 3 Paragraph 1.80 refers

## STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE

### Parliamentary Appropriation and Direct Charges on the Consolidated Fund

1.81 For the financial year 2007, Parliament approved funds totalling \$35,739,223,987.00 for meeting expenditure for the services of Trinidad and Tobago. Direct Charges on the Consolidated Fund totalled \$8,257,055,508.00. Particulars of these allocations are detailed below:

<b>(i) Appropriation</b>	<b>\$</b>
Appropriation Act, 2007 – Act No. 27 of 2006 assented to on 2006 October 25	31,492,890,166.00

**Add:**

Supplementation/Variation of Appropriation

	\$	
1 <sup>st</sup> Suppl. Gen. Warrant (Act No. 14 of 2007)	3,121,413,821.00	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Suppl. Gen. Warrant (Act No. 1 of 2008)	<u>1,124,920,000.00</u>	<u>4,246,333,821.00</u>
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>35,739,223,987.00</b>

**(ii) Direct Charges on the Consolidated Fund**

in accordance with section 112 (2) of the  
Constitution as set out in the Warrants  
for the financial year 2007

	\$	\$	
<b>Warrant</b>		6,141,753,778.00	
1 <sup>st</sup> Suppl. Warrant	5,086,730.00		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Suppl. Warrant	503,592,830.00		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Suppl. Warrant	80,015,000.00		
4 <sup>th</sup> Suppl. Warrant	<u>1,526,607,170.00</u>	<u>2,115,301,730.00</u>	<u>8,257,055,508.00</u>

<b>Total Parliamentary Appropriation and Direct Charges</b>	<b><u>43,996,279,495.00</u></b>
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1.82 The figures shown as Parliamentary Appropriation and Direct Charges as at (i) and (ii) above totalling \$43,996,279,495.00 were verified. Details of the total approved estimates for the financial year are given in the Statement of Expenditure. Treasury Statements referenced TS 3 and TS 4 refer. During the financial year, the Minister of Finance authorized issues from the Consolidated Fund totalling \$43,996,279,495.00.

### **Actual Expenditure**

1.83           The records of the Comptroller of Accounts show that the actual expenditure for the year ended 2007 September 30 under forty-one (41) Heads of Expenditure was \$41,538,807,838.32. The total of the expenditure shown on forty (40) Appropriation Accounts received in the Auditor General's Department at 2008 March 19 was \$41,318,772,676.00.

1.84           Table 3 highlights those Ministries/Heads of Expenditure where expenditure was in excess of one billion dollars.

TABLE 3

**ACTUAL EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF \$1Bn INCURRED UNDER CERTAIN HEADS OF EXPENDITURE AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURE**

Head	Ministry/Department	Actual Expenditure \$	Percentage of Total Expenditure
15	Tobago House of Assembly	1,609,813,015.66	3.88
18	Ministry of Finance	10,217,250,917.91	24.60
19	Charges on Account of the Public Debt	4,278,666,684.63	10.30
20	Pensions and Gratuities	1,302,024,185.66	3.13
22	Ministry of National Security	3,694,772,303.30	8.90
26	Ministry of Education	3,354,606,327.98	8.08
28	Ministry of Health	2,692,150,938.07	6.48
39	Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2,478,450,154.61	5.97
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	1,234,338,266.02	2.97
42	Ministry of Local Government	1,172,671,271.77	2.82
43	Ministry of Works and Transport	2,150,227,116.63	5.18
54	Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	1,654,563,951.21	3.98
56	Ministry of Social Development	<u>1,614,289,008.18</u>	<u>3.89</u>
	<b>Sub – Total</b>	<b>37,453,824,141.63</b>	<b>90.18</b>
	Other Ministries and Departments	<u>4,084,983,696.69</u>	<u>9.82</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>41,538,807,838.32</b>	<b>100.00</b>

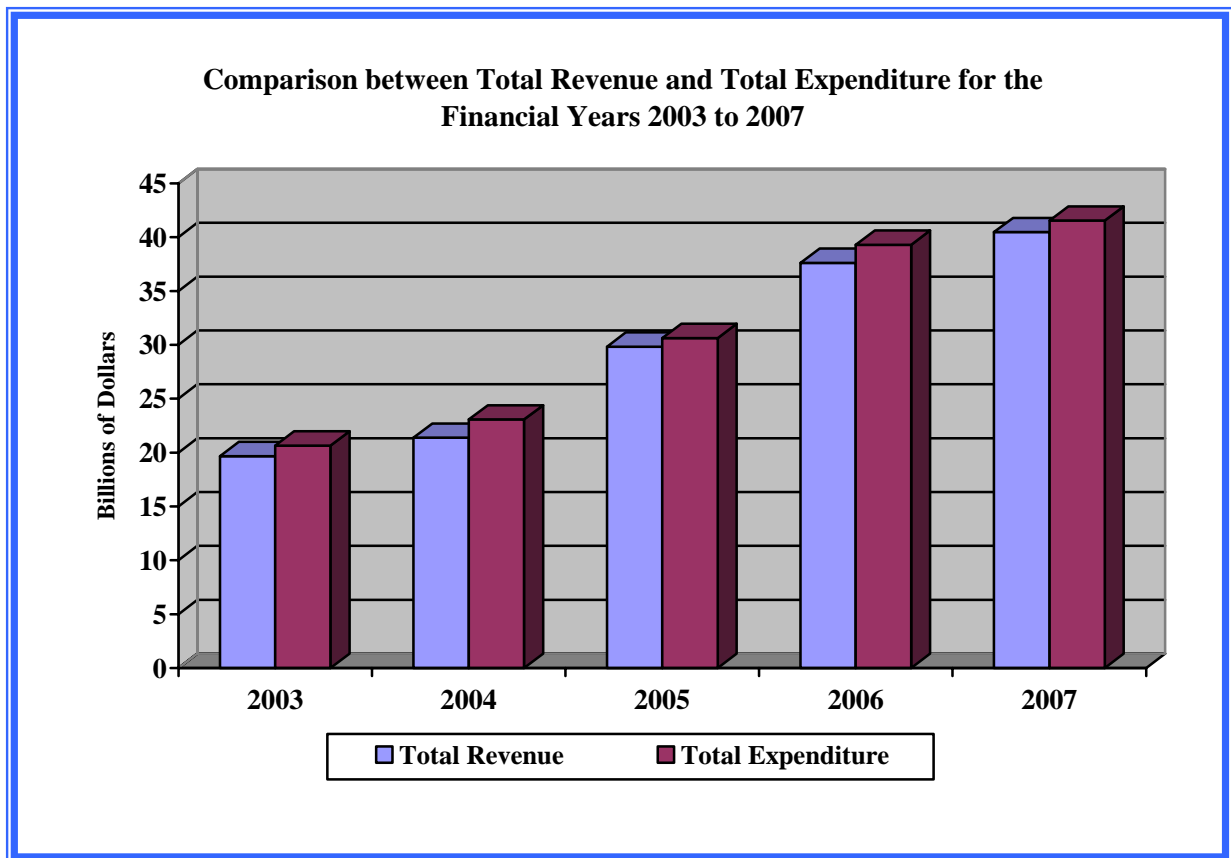
**Revenue compared with Expenditure**

1.85 Expenditure of \$41,538,807,838.32 incurred for the financial year 2007 exceeded actual revenue collected of \$40,466,697,254.48 by \$1,072,110,583.84. A comparison between Total Revenue and Total Expenditure and the surplus/(deficit) over the five (5) financial years 2003 to 2007 is shown below at Table 4 and Chart 4.

**TABLE 4**

**COMPARISON BETWEEN TOTAL REVENUE AND TOTAL EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2003 TO 2007**

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Total Revenue \$</b>	<b>Total Expenditure Incurred \$</b>	<b>Surplus (Deficit) \$</b>
2003	19,662,965,388.91	20,632,828,303.00	(969,862,914.09)
2004	21,370,198,878.82	23,066,917,308.66	(1,696,718,429.84)
2005	29,803,859,194.04	30,633,750,515.67	(829,891,321.63)
2006	37,613,834,894.12	39,295,563,742.53	(1,681,728,848.41)
2007	40,466,697,254.48	41,538,807,838.32	(1,072,110,583.84)



**CHART 4** Paragraph 1.85 refers

## Expenditure by Classification

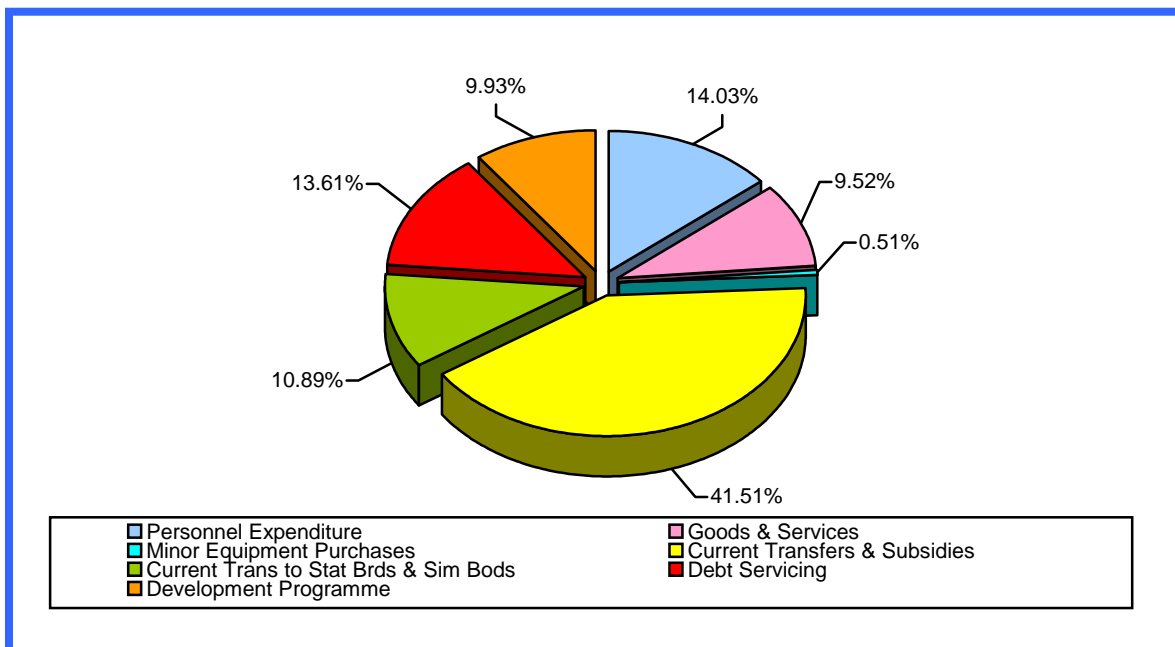
1.86 An analysis of expenditure incurred by Ministries and Departments (as per the Appropriation Accounts received in the Auditor General's Department) according to Classification is shown at Table 5 and Chart 5 below.

**TABLE 5**

**ANALYSIS OF ACTUAL EXPENDITURE ACCORDING TO CLASSIFICATION  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007 AS REFLECTED IN THE APPROPRIATION  
ACCOUNTS RECEIVED IN THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT**

Sub Head – Classification	Expenditure Incurred \$	Percentage %
Personnel Expenditure	5,794,637,308.78	14.03
Goods and Services	3,933,790,322.43	9.52
Minor Equipment Purchases	211,658,079.78	0.51
Current Transfers and Subsidies	17,149,712,007.36	41.51
Current Transfers to Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies	4,498,320,783.22	10.89
Debt Servicing	5,625,347,002.63	13.61
Development Programme	4,105,307,175.19	9.93
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41,318,772,679.39</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**Analysis of Actual Expenditure incurred by Ministries/Departments for the  
Financial Year 2007 by Classification**



**CHART 5** Paragraph 1.86 refers

## **STATEMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT**

### **Public Debt - \$21,459,243,421.42**

1.87           The records of the Treasury showed that at 2007 September 30 the Public Debt was \$21,459,243,421.42. The debt comprises balances on local and external loans as follows:

	\$
Local Loans	12,819,966,074.63
External Loans	<u>8,639,277,346.79</u>
Total	<u>21,459,243,421.42</u>

Treasury Statements referenced TS 38 to TS 40 refer.

### **Local Loans - \$12,819,966,074.63**

1.88           Movement in local loans for the financial year ended 2007 September 30, as reflected in the records of the Treasury are shown below:

	\$
Balance as at 2006 October 01	10,717,692,275.35
Less: Adjustments	(.07)
Add: Receipts for Financial Year 2007	<u>2,403,838,912.97</u>
<b>Sub-Total</b>	13,121,531,188.25
Less: Repayments for Financial Year 2007	<u>(305,870,113.62)</u>
<b>Sub – Total</b>	12,815,661,074.63
Add: Foreign Exchange Adjustment	<u>4,305,000.00</u>
Balance as at 2007 September 30	<b><u>12,819,966,074.63</u></b>

### **Local Loans – Receipts - \$2,403,838,912.97**

1.89           Receipts comprise interest capitalized on two (2) loans amounting to \$11,560,912.97 and proceeds from three (3) tranches of Bonds that were issued by the Government in 2006 November, 2007 February and 2007 April totalling \$2,392,278,000.00.

### **Local Loans – Repayments - \$305,870,113.62**

1.90           The above figure comprises repayments of principal from the Consolidated Fund in the sum of \$305,869,493.62 and repayment from Savings Bonds Reserve Fund in the amount of \$620.00.

**Local Loans - Foreign Exchange Adjustment - \$4,305,000.00**

1.91 The adjustment of \$4,305,000.00 resulted from the revaluation at 2007 September 30 of a local loan denominated in United States of America (US) dollars.

**External Loans - \$8,639,277,346.79**

1.92 A summary of transactions in respect of external loans is given below:

	\$
Balance as at 2006 October 01	7,953,720,919.07
Less: Adjustments	<u>(29,651,916.61)</u>
	7,924,069,002.46
Add: Receipts for Financial Year 2007	<u>1,958,807,812.22</u>
	9,882,876,814.68
Less: Repayments for Financial Year 2007	<u>(1,364,354,174.69)</u>
	8,518,522,639.99
Add: Foreign Exchange Adjustments	<u>120,754,706.80</u>
Balance as at 2007 September 30	<b><u>8,639,277,346.79</u></b>

**External Loans – Adjustments – (\$29,651,916.61)**

1.93 The adjustment of (\$29,651,916.61) consisted of:

- |  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
|  | \$              |
| • Net Adjustments resulting from reconciling<br>balances outstanding with lenders' statements<br>on several loans .....  | (15,576,218.46) |
| • Adjustment due to Gain on Foreign<br>Exchange over the life of EIB Loan No.1.5670<br>which has been fully repaid ..... | (1,831,411.28)  |
| • Adjustment due to Gain on Foreign Exchange<br>over the life of IBRD Loan No. 3432 which<br>has been fully repaid ..... | (12,244,286.87) |

**External Loans – Receipts - \$1,958,807,812.22**

1.94 Receipts from external loans consisted of drawdowns totalling \$329,634,472.19 on existing loans and drawdowns on four (4) new loans amounting to \$1,629,173,340.03.



**External Loans - Repayments - \$1,364,354,174.69**

1.95 The amount of \$1,364,354,174.69 represents loan repayments on all external loans for the financial year 2007 as under:

	\$
• Repayments from Consolidated Fund	1,254,272,669.69
• Repayments from Sinking Fund	<u>110,081,505.00</u>
	<u>1,364,354,174.69</u>

**External Loans – Foreign Exchange Adjustments - \$120,754,706.80**

1.96 The figure \$120,754,706.80 represents the net adjustment on loans as a result of changes in foreign exchange rates.

**Summary of the Public Debt**

1.97 The transactions relative to the Public Debt for the financial year 2007 are summarized at Table 6 below.

**Table 6****SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS OF THE PUBLIC DEBT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2007**

	<b>Local Loans \$</b>	<b>External Loans \$</b>	<b>Total \$</b>
Balance as at 2006 Oct. 01	10,717,692,275.35	7,953,720,919.07	18,671,413,194.42
Less: Adjustments	<u>(.07)</u>	<u>(29,651,916.61)</u>	<u>(29,651,916.68)</u>
	10,717,692,275.28	7,924,069,002.46	18,641,761,277.74
Add: Receipts for Financial Year 2007	<u>2,403,838,192.97</u>	<u>1,958,807,812.22</u>	<u>4,362,646,725.19</u>
	13,121,531,188.25	9,882,876,814.68	23,004,408,002.93
Less: Repayments for Financial Year 2007	<u>(305,870,113.62)</u>	<u>(1,364,354,174.69)</u>	<u>(1,670,224,288.31)</u>
	12,815,661,074.63	8,518,522,639.99	21,334,183,714.62
Add: Foreign Exchange Adjustments	<u>4,305,000.00</u>	<u>120,754,706.80</u>	<u>125,059,706.80</u>
Balance as at 2007 September 30	<u><b>12,819,966,074.63</b></u>	<u><b>8,639,277,346.79</b></u>	<u><b>21,459,243,421.42</b></u>

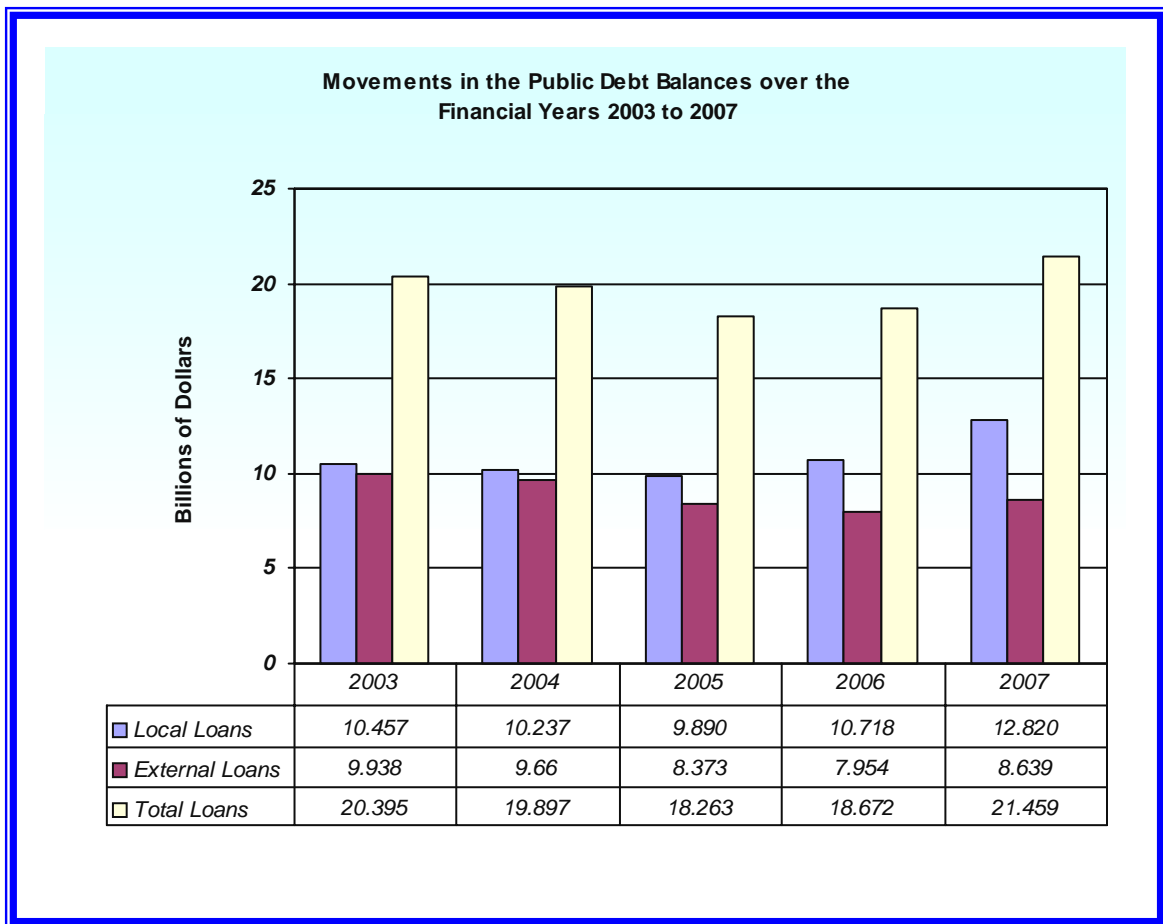
## Movements over the Financial Years 2003 to 2007

1.98 The year end balance of the Public Debt over the Financial Years 2003 to 2007 is depicted in Table 7 and Chart 6.

**Table 7**

### **THE PUBLIC DEBT BALANCE AS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2003 TO 2007**

<b>Financial Year end</b>	<b>Local Loans \$</b>	<b>External Loans \$</b>	<b>Total Loans \$</b>
2003.09.30	10,456,772,297.36	9,938,473,698.70	20,395,245,996.06
2004.09.30	10,237,220,990.69	9,660,172,626.15	19,897,393,616.84
2005.09.30	9,889,600,301.14	8,373,130,262.82	18,262,730,563.96
2006.09.30	10,717,692,275.35	7,953,720,919.07	18,671,413,194.42
2007.09.30	12,819,966,074.63	8,639,277,346.79	21,459,243,421.42



**CHART 6** Paragraph 1.98 refers

## **CHARGES ON ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT**

### **HEAD OF EXPENDITURE – 19**

#### **Charges on Account of the Public Debt - \$4,278,666,684.63**

1.99 Total expenditure of \$4,278,666,684.63 for the financial year was verified from the records of the Comptroller of Accounts.

1.100 Expenditure under this Head of Expenditure increased by \$888,322,812.73 or 26.20 % over that of the previous financial year.

1.101 Details of the Expenditure of \$4,278,666,684.63 are given below:

	\$
<b>Principal Repayments</b>	
Local Loans	305,869,493.62
External Loans	<u>1,254,272,669.69</u>
<b>Total Principal Loan Repayments (a)</b>	<b><u>1,560,142,163.31</u></b>

	\$
<b>Interest Payments</b>	
Local Loans	459,730,770.25
External Loans	603,948,596.90
Notes, Debentures and Others	<u>980,326,689.94</u>
<b>Total Interest Payments (b)</b>	<b><u>2,044,006,057.09</u></b>

	\$
<b>Other Payments</b>	
Management Expenses	18,231,204.23
Sinking Fund Contributions	654,921,260.00
Discounts and Other Financial Instruments	<u>1,366,000.00</u>
<b>Total Other Payments (c)</b>	<b><u>674,518,464.23</u></b>

<b>Total (a) + (b) + (c)</b>	<b><u>4,278,666,684.63</u></b>
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1.102 Table 8 shows Charges on Account of the Public Debt as a percentage of Total Expenditure for the five (5) financial years 2003 to 2007.

**TABLE 8**  
**CHARGES ON ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT AS A PERCENTAGE OF**  
**TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2003 TO 2007**

<b>FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>CHARGES ON ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT</b>	
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
2003	20,632,828,303.00	5,308,026,728.52	25.73
2004	23,066,917,308.66	3,857,277,779.68	16.72
2005	30,633,750,515.67	4,776,053,881.61	15.59
2006	39,295,563,742.53	3,390,343,871.90	8.63
2007	41,538,807,838.32	4,278,666,684.63	10.30

1.103 Table 9 shows Charges on Account of the Public Debt as a percentage of Total Revenue excluding Capital Receipts and Borrowings for the five (5) financial years 2003 to 2007.

**TABLE 9**  
**CHARGES ON ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL**  
**REVENUE (EXCLUDING CAPITAL RECEIPTS AND BORROWINGS)**

<b>(a)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(c)</b>	<b>(d)</b>
<b>FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>TOTAL REVENUE (EXCLUDING CAPITAL RECEIPTS AND BORROWINGS) \$'000</b>	<b>CHARGES ON ACCOUNT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT \$'000</b>	<b>(c) as a Percentage of (b)</b>
2003	17,068,084	5,308,027	31.09
2004	20,518,775	3,857,278	18.79
2005	28,701,235	4,776,054	16.64
2006	37,404,187	3,390,344	9.06
2007	38,480,823	4,278,667	11.12

**STATEMENT OF LOANS FROM GENERAL REVENUE REPAYABLE  
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**

**Loans from General Revenue - \$1,761,885,537.56**

1.104 The balance of \$1,761,885,537.56 as at 2007 September 30 is made up as follows:

	\$
Balance brought forward 2006 October 01	1,825,941,770.71
Less: Adjustments	<u>(50,138,217.45)</u>
	1,775,803,553.26
Add: New Loan	<u>8,972,062.83</u>
	1,784,775,616.09
Less: Principal Repayments	<u>(22,890,078.53)</u>
<b>Balance as at 2007 September 30</b>	<b><u>1,761,885,537.56</u></b>

Treasury Statements references TS 42 to TS 44 refer.

**Adjustments – (\$50,138,217.45)**

1.105 The figure of (\$50,138,217.45) is made up as follows:

- (i) a further adjustment of (\$50,256,783.26) made to the PETROTRIN loan account in respect of amounts inadvertently omitted both in respect of disbursements and repayments over the life of the loan, and
- (ii) an adjustment of \$118,565.81 made to the National Energy Skills Centre (NESC) loan resulting from the re-calculation of the loan over its life in terms of the several currency units in which the loan was disbursed instead of US currency only as was done.

**New Loan - \$8,972,062.83**

1.106 This represents a further disbursement against IBRD Loan No. 4458 to Trinidad and Tobago Postal Corporation (TTPOST) with respect to Postal Sector Reform.

**Principal Repayments - \$22,890,078.53**

1.107 Principal repayments for the financial year 2007 amounting to \$22,890,078.53 were made by the following entities:

<b>Name of Entity</b>	<b>Amount \$</b>
PETROTRIN in respect of the modernization of the Pointe-a-Pierre Refinery	18,956,687.39
PETROTRIN in respect of Design and Construction of MTBE plant	3,825,158.84
Arima Borough Corporation	81,429.92
Government of Belize	12,292.83
Trinity Cathedral	14,509.55
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>22,890,078.53</u></b>

1.108 At Table 10 is a comparison of year-end loan balances for the financial years 2003 to 2007.

**TABLE 10  
COMPARISON OF YEAR-END LOAN BALANCES  
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2003 TO 2007**

Category	Financial Year 2003 \$	Financial Year 2004 \$	Financial Year 2005 \$	Financial Year 2006 \$	Financial Year 2007 \$
State Enterprises	541,984,431.73	316,883,806.38	79,833,672.97	78,105,987.00	5,067,357.51
Statutory Bodies	1,203,416,242.45	1,203,399,502.34	1,101,808,362.54	1,506,100,105.71	1,506,018,675.79
Sporting Bodies	65,415.00	65,415.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Entities	72,841,684.70	87,572,613.26	105,693,888.66	114,466,922.57	123,543,041.66
Other Governments	86,154.79	74,739.68	63,039.19	127,268,755.43	127,256,462.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,818,393,928.67</b>	<b>1,607,996,076.66</b>	<b>1,287,398,963.36</b>	<b>1,825,941,770.71</b>	<b>1,761,885,537.56</b>

**STATEMENT OF LOANS OR CREDITS GUARANTEED BY THE  
GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**

**Financial Statements**

1.109 Treasury Statement referenced TS 8 reflects Loans or Credits Guaranteed by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2007 September 30.

1.110 Capitalised Interest of \$1,099,429,364.15 which was excluded in the financial year 2006 from the "Maximum Guaranteed" column has now been included for the financial year 2007. Also, the government guarantee in respect of the overdraft facility of \$4.3 Mn pertaining to the National Maintenance Training and Security Company Limited has been included. Paragraphs 1.100 and 1.101 of the 2006 Auditor General's Report refer.

1.111 A comparison of the "Maximum Guaranteed" column with supporting documentation revealed the following differences:

<b>Entity</b>	<b>Treasury Statement \$</b>	<b>Audited Amount \$</b>
National Maintenance Training and Security Company Limited(MTS)	179,914,572.00	189,914,572.00
Public Transport Service Corporation	373,192,876.06	370,279,247.00
Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago	640,000,000.00	490,400,000.00
Regional Health Authorities	176,000,000.00	176,384,046.10

**STATEMENT OF LOANS AND ADVANCES FROM FUNDS**  
**FOR LONG TERM DEVELOPMENT**

**Loans and Advances from Funds for Long Term Development - \$474,575,651.91**

1.112 The Statement of Loans and Advance from Funds for Long Term Development as at 2007 September 30 reflected balances totalling \$474,575,651.91. Treasury Statements referenced TS 45 to TS 47 refer.

1.113 This represented a decrease of \$7,036,609.05 or 1.46% from the previous year's balance as a result of a currency adjustment of \$1,008,692.86 and principal repayments by several agencies totalling \$8,045,301.91.

1.114 The following was found with respect to repayments:

- Naparima Star Lodge had not made principal repayments in 2006 and 2007.
- The Caribbean Development Bank had not made repayments on borrowings from the Long Term Development Fund totalling \$929,772.77 since the amounts became due in 1984.
- Repayments by the Government of Guyana continued to be irregular and amounts received were not in accordance with the schedule of repayment.

1.115 Cabinet in 2005 January agreed that the outstanding debt of National Quarries Company Limited amounting to \$17,264,815.00 be converted to equity. Evidence was not seen that this transaction was effected. At 2007 September 30, the debt was still reflected as Loans in the records of the Comptroller of Accounts.

1.116 The figure of \$474,575,651.91 comprises balances on loans under several Funds as shown below:

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**Petroleum Development Fund**

- Caribbean Development Bank	63,042.58
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**Caribbean Integration Fund**

- Government of St. Vincent	3,215,756.04
- Government of Guyana	<u>222,160,738.57</u>

<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>	<b>225,439,537.19</b>
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1.116 Cont'd.	\$
<b>Balance Brought Forward</b>	225,439,537.19
<b>Port Development Fund</b>	
- Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago	5,100,000.00
<b>Participation in Commercial Enterprises Fund</b>	
- National Quarries Co. Ltd	15,492,890.00
- Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Co. Ltd.	11,234,789.14
<b>Sport, Culture and Community Development Fund</b>	
- Naparima Star Lodge and Pride of Naparima Lodge	80,953.00
<b>Housing and Resettlement Fund</b>	
- Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Co. Ltd.	23,772,494.62
<b>Industrial Development and Commercial Enterprises Fund</b>	
- National Quarries Co. Ltd.	1,771,925.00
<b>Long Term Development Fund</b>	
- Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Co. Ltd.	190,753,290.19
- Caribbean Development Bank	929,772.77
	<b><u>474,575,651.91</u></b>



## **CHAPTER 2**

# **ACCOUNTS OF ACCOUNTING OFFICERS**



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### **ACCOUNTS OF ACCOUNTING OFFICERS**

### **EXPENDITURE**

#### **Parliamentary Approval**

#### **Appropriation**

2.01 Parliament, by means of the Appropriation Act 2007 (Act No. 27 of 2006) which was assented to on 2006 October 25, approved an amount of \$31,492,890,166.00 for meeting expenditure for the service of Trinidad and Tobago during the financial year 2007.

#### **Adjustments to Appropriation**

2.02 Subsequent to the passing of Act No. 27 of 2006, there were adjustments to the original Appropriation totalling \$4,246,333,821.00 resulting in the total Appropriation approved being \$35,739,223,987.00. Details are given at paragraph 1.81 of Chapter 1.

#### **Direct Charges**

2.03 The Ministry of Finance, by Warrant dated 2006 October 03, authorized the withdrawal from the Consolidated Fund for the financial year ending 2007 September 30, sums not exceeding in aggregate the sum of \$6,141,753,778.00. Subsequent to Warrant dated 2006 October 03, there were four (4) Supplementary Warrants totalling \$2,115,301,730.00 resulting in a total withdrawal of \$8,257,055,508.00. Details are given at paragraph 1.81 of Chapter 1.

#### **Total Authorized Expenditure**

2.04 Total authorized expenditure for the financial year 2007 was therefore \$43,996,279,495.00 comprising Appropriation of \$35,739,223,987.00 and Direct Charges of \$8,257,055,508.00.

#### **Total Expenditure Incurred**

2.05 An amount of \$41,538,807,838.32 is shown as the total expenditure incurred under forty-one (41) Heads of Expenditure on the Statement of Expenditure. Details are shown at Treasury Statements referenced TS 3 and TS 4.

## **Audit Scope**

2.06 The audit examination included a review of the system of internal controls applicable to the Public Accounts including the internal audit function. The audit also included the examination of the subsidiary books and records of the various Ministries and Departments in order to verify the correctness of amounts shown in the Appropriation Accounts.

2.07 Subsidiary books and records include documents showing particulars of Financial Management, Human Resource information, procurement of goods and services and Assets and Stores Management.

2.08 Sample testing together with physical verification and site visits were employed in the assessment of the system of internal controls at Ministries and Departments.

2.09 The integrity of the subsidiary records contributes to the reliability of the Financial Statements presented by the Accounting Officers.

## **HEADS OF EXPENDITURE – 2007**

2.10 The audit findings recorded in this Chapter focus on the Heads of Expenditure and the allocations so approved by Parliament in respect of the financial year 2007. These include examples of weaknesses in the system of internal controls, as well as non-compliance with legislative requirements and/or financial directives. Comments also include the lack of proper maintenance of the relevant subsidiary books and records.

2.11 Audit findings have been discussed with Accounting personnel and accountable officers at Exit Meetings and communicated in writing by way of Management Letters addressed to the Permanent Secretary or Head of Department (Accounting Officer). In certain instances, responses indicating corrective measures taken were received from Accounting Officers.

2.12 The following are observations arising from the examination of expenditure under various Heads of Expenditure as indicated.

## **03 - JUDICIARY**

### **Travelling and Subsistence**

2.13 The Travelling Register was not properly maintained in that voucher numbers were not entered in the Register. Also, several payments were not reflected.

2.14 In certain instances, persons were paid for two-thirds of the mileage claimed. The basis for this was not determined.

### **03 - JUDICIARY (cont'd)**

2.15 Further, it was not seen that travelling claims in excess of the approved monthly mileage were approved by the relevant authority.

#### **Deposit Accounts – Supreme Court**

2.16 Deposits totalling \$1,736,894.50 on four (4) Deposit Accounts could not be verified as the relevant supporting documentation was not produced for audit. Further, Reconciliation Statements were not up to date. The last Reconciliation Statement produced for audit was for the period ended 2005 September 30.

2.17 Based on a legal ruling it was noted that investment of deposit balances in an interest bearing account was not carried out since 2005 September. It was stated that this action could not have been taken since the relevant Comptroller of Accounts deposit receipts necessary for withdrawal could not have been located.

#### **Vouchers**

2.18 In many instances vouchers were not properly prepared in that the vouchers were not signed as having been checked and authorized. In other instances vouchers did not contain full particulars contrary to Regulation 76 of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01.

#### **Motor Vehicle Advances**

2.19 The Motor Vehicle Advances Register was not properly maintained in that

- Entries were not up to date.
- Cessation date of loan repayments were not recorded in the Register.
- Details of loans were not carried forward on subsequent pages.

### **04 - INDUSTRIAL COURT**

#### **Fees**

2.20 Payments totalling \$276,395.60 made to a state enterprise for providing elevator, pump, generator and general repair services were classified and paid for under Fees-Sub-Item 23 (legal fees etc) instead of Sub-Item 21 Repairs and Maintenance. It was noted that had this expenditure been properly charged, the expenditure would have exceeded the approved allocation under Repairs and Maintenance.

## **04 - INDUSTRIAL COURT (cont'd)**

### **Appropriation Account** **Outstanding Commitments**

2.21 The total outstanding commitments shown at Note 2K of the Appropriation Account were NIL. However, an examination of the records revealed outstanding commitments of \$153,649.00.

## **05 - PARLIAMENT**

### **Contract Employment**

2.22 A review of the records pertinent to the engagement of officers on contract revealed the following:

- in two (2) instances, the approval of the competent authority was not seen for the remuneration package of the contracted officers;
- in three (3) instances signed contracts were not seen, and
- in two (2) instances performance appraisal reports were not seen.

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.23 An inventory of furniture and equipment was not presented for audit.

2.24 The cost of several items totalling \$487,778.00 was incorrectly expensed under Recurrent Expenditure – Minor Equipment Purchases instead of under Development Programme.

## **06 - SERVICE COMMISSIONS**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.25 Signed lease agreements were not seen in respect of three (3) properties leased by the Department at a total monthly rental of \$589,334.75.

### **Contract Employment**

2.26 Signed agreements were not seen for three (3) officers employed on contract.



## **06 - SERVICE COMMISSIONS (cont'd)**

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.27 The inventory register was not properly maintained in that several items seen during a physical check were not entered therein.

## **07 – STATUTORY AUTHORITIES’ SERVICE COMMISSION**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.28 A signed lease agreement was not seen in respect of premises occupied by the Commission. As a result, the terms and conditions of the lease arrangement were not determined.

## **08 - ELECTIONS AND BOUNDARIES COMMISSION**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.29 Monthly rental plus VAT was paid over the period 1995 October to 2001 December to the landlord for a property occupied by a division of the Commission. It was noted that the landlord was not a registered VAT collector and as such VAT paid amounting to \$32,625.00 is recoverable from him. As at the end of the financial year \$31,425.00 is outstanding to the State.

### **Short Term Employment**

2.30 It was noted that the Commission continued to employ persons in excess of the six (6) month period allowed under the Vote “Short Term Employment”. This practice has been in existence at the Commission for many years. This matter was raised previously at paragraph 2.24 of the 2006 Auditor General’s Report.

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.31 The Inventory Register was not properly maintained in that movements or transfers were not recorded.

2.32 Items of furniture and equipment did not bear any identification marks or labels.

## **08 - ELECTIONS AND BOUNDARIES COMMISSION (cont'd)**

### **Development Programme** **Siparia and Arima Offices**

2.33 Six (6) cheques dated 2006 September 29 and totalling \$1,671,064.77 were seen on hand at the time of audit. The narration on three (3) cheques totalling \$231,495.00 was "Services rendered for the construction of the Siparia Office". The narration on the other three (3) cheques totalling \$1,439,569.77 was "Payment for services rendered re construction of Arima Office".

2.34 Signed contracts in respect of the above were not produced, neither was evidence of an award by the Central Tenders Board seen in respect of the amount of \$1,439,569.77. Further, there was no evidence of any work done at either of the offices during site visits paid by audit officers in 2007 October.

### **Internal Audit**

2.35 The approved structure for the Internal Audit Unit of the Commission is one (1) Auditing Assistant (Range 30C). The Commission operates from eight (8) offices with expenditure of \$47.8 million as reported in the 2007 Appropriation Account. Evaluation of the work done revealed that critical areas such as Revenue, Development Programme and verification of assets were not dealt with.

### **Internal Control** **Authority to Sign Invoice Orders**

2.36 The authority for an officer to sign invoice orders was not produced. Further, there was no evidence that the signature of the officer was sent to the Auditor General as required by Instruction 108 (2) of the Financial Instructions, 1965.

### **Appropriation Account** **Overpayments**

2.37 According to Note 2 C to the Appropriation Account, one hundred and six (106) cases of overpayment totalling \$89,870.76 were discovered of which seven (7) were reported to the Comptroller of Accounts and the Auditor General. However, audit examination revealed that one hundred and nine (109) cases totalling \$101,330.68 occurred of which eleven (11) were reported to the Comptroller of Accounts and the Auditor General.

### **Reconciliation Statement**

2.38 There was non-compliance with Instruction 32 of the Financial Instructions, 1965 in that a Reconciliation of the Monthly Abstract of Payments and List of Unpaid Cheques for the month of 2007 September 30 was not submitted to the Auditor General.

## **09 - TAX APPEAL BOARD**

### **Internal Audit Function**

2.39 Regulation 13 (4) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01 states “*Each accounting unit shall have a check staff and an independent internal audit section.*”

2.40 It was noted that an officer of the Treasury Division, Ministry of Finance performed the Internal Audit function at the Board.

## **11 - REGISTRATION, RECOGNITION AND CERTIFICATION BOARD**

### **Training**

2.41 A payment of \$126,500.00 was made for Training using a “Pro Forma” invoice from the supplier contrary to financial directives.

### **Internal Audit**

2.42 It was noted that the accounting function of the Registration, Recognition and Certification Board was performed by the staff of the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprises Development. However, there was no evidence that the internal audit of the Ministry performed any examination on the Board’s records.

## **12 - PUBLIC SERVICE APPEAL BOARD**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.43 A signed lease agreement for the rental of two (2) floors of a building at a monthly rent of \$57,220.00 VAT inclusive was not produced for audit examination. As such, the terms and conditions of the lease arrangement were not verified.

### **Internal Audit Function**

2.44 Regulation 13 (4) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01 states “*Each accounting unit shall have a check staff and an independent internal audit section.*”

2.45 It was noted that the Internal Audit function for the Board was performed by an officer of the Industrial Court.

## **13 - OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.46 Signed lease agreements were not produced for five (5) premises rented by the Office of the Prime Minister in respect of which expenditure of \$389,229.00 VAT inclusive was incurred on a monthly basis.

2.47 As a result, the relevant expenditure was not verified and terms and conditions were not ascertained.

## **17 - PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.48 Signed lease agreements for five (5) premises rented by the Department in respect of which expenditure totalling \$276,935.68 was incurred on a monthly basis were not produced for audit inspection.

2.49 As a result, expenditure was not verified and terms and conditions were not ascertained.

## **20 - PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES**

2.50 The figure \$1,302,024,185.66 shown in the Treasury's Statement of Expenditure included amounts totalling \$134,306,057.48 relating to the Ministry of National Security.

2.51 The figure \$134,306,057.48 is understated by \$3,728,543.73 being expenditure relating to Pensions and Gratuities – Ministry of National Security which was not included.

## **21 - MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

### **Appropriation Account** **Outstanding Commitments**

2.52 The total outstanding commitments at Note 2K of the Appropriation Account shown as \$146,819.13 were understated by \$101,609.50.

## **21 - MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (cont'd)**

### **Overpayments**

2.53 The total amount of Overpayments and Amounts Recovered as stated at Note 2C to the Appropriation Account was understated by \$135,208.62 and \$124,241.05 respectively. The number of cases discovered during the year and reported to the Comptroller of Accounts and Auditor General was also understated by thirty-seven (37) cases. This arose as a result of overpayments relating to the Central Statistical Office not being included.

### **Reconciliation of Monthly Abstract of Payments and List of Unpaid Cheques**

2.54 The Reconciliation of Monthly Abstract of Payments and List of Unpaid Cheques as at 2007 September 30 for the Central Statistical Office was not produced for audit examination.

## **22 - MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY**

### **Contract Employment**

2.55 In several instances signed agreements were not seen in respect of persons engaged on contract.

### **Minor Equipment Purchases Head Office**

2.56 Evidence was not seen of identification marks on items of minor equipment contrary to financial directives.

2.57 Further, purchases totalling \$244,910.75 were not seen entered in the Inventory Register. The Register presented for audit was not maintained in accordance with financial directives in that the date of purchase, serial numbers and remarks on whether items were functioning or not were not entered therein.

### **Appropriation Account**

2.58 There was a difference of \$59,811,627.61 between actual expenditure of \$3,754,583,930.91 reflected in the Appropriation Account of the Ministry and the amount of \$3,694,772,303.30 shown in the Treasury's Statement of Expenditure. This difference was as a result of expenditure being recorded in the accounting records of the Ministry (Accounting Unit 8 – Police) but not in those of the Treasury.

## **22 - MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY (cont'd)**

### **Internal Control System - Police Vehicles**

2.59 By memorandum dated 2008 January 09, the Auditor General requested from the Commissioner of Police certain information for the purpose of conducting a review of the Internal Control System surrounding the acquisition, distribution and maintenance of motor vehicles for the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service. As at the date of this Report the information has not been received.

## **26 - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

### **Travel Cards**

2.60 It was seen that Travel Cards were issued to three (3) officers and that one was cancelled subsequently. Evidence was not seen that the provisions of the Minister of Finance Circular No.7 dated 2005 October 04 were adhered to.

### **Rent/Lease - Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.61 Signed lease agreements were not produced for premises occupied by certain Departments of the Ministry in respect of which amounts totalling \$239,867.00 were paid monthly.

## **28 - MINISTRY OF HEALTH**

### **Extraordinary Expenditure**

2.62 It was noted that a payment of \$306,070.87 was made to the National Insurance Board as a penalty in respect of contributions for the month of 2007 March.

### **Expenditure in Excess of Releases**

2.63 At the time of the interim audit, expenditure under two items exceeded the amounts released by \$1,581,339.24. This was contrary to Ministry of Finance Circular No. 12 dated 1987 July 22 which states that expenditure and commitments must not exceed amounts released.

### **Internal Controls**

2.64 It was noted that in some instances, payments were made without original supporting documents contrary to Instruction 113 (1) of the Financial Instructions, 1965.

## **31 - MINISTRY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND INFORMATION**

### **Contract Employment**

2.65 In several instances signed agreements for persons engaged on contract were not produced for audit.

### **Other Contracted Services** **Public Service Academy**

2.66 Several contracts were awarded for the provision of training services. However, a contract register was not produced for audit.

### **Internal Controls**

2.67 The signature of officers authorized to sign cheques and other financial documents were not received in the Auditor General's Department.

2.68 Schedules of Accounts and Abstract of Payments were not prepared on a timely basis.

2.69 Evidence was not seen of quarterly reconciliation of Pay Records Cards and the Personal Emoluments Vote as required by Instruction 125 (3) of the Financial Instructions, 1965.

### **Internal Audit**

2.70 The approved Programme of Work for the Internal Audit did not include significant areas such as Development Programme expenditure and expenditure incurred under the Infrastructure Development Fund.

## **35 - MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

### **Security Services**

2.71 A signed contract agreement between the Ministry and the service providers for security services was not produced for audit scrutiny. As a result, expenditure was not verified and the agreed terms and conditions were not ascertained.

### **Audit Surveys**

2.72 Surveys conducted at various locations revealed the following:

#### **Las Cuevas**

- Items included on the Inventory of Equipment at the Maintenance Unit, were not produced for audit examination. It was explained that the items were sent for repairs. However, evidence of this arrangement was not produced.
- There was difficulty in locating items due to the limited space for storage of items.
- The items seen bore no identification marks.
- Identification marks were not seen on items of equipment for the Life Guard Services.

#### **Mayaro**

- A physical examination of equipment revealed differences from information supplied by Head Office. In addition two (2) items of equipment were seen stored outside the building open to the elements.

#### **Warehouse at Tumpuna Road, Arima**

- Obsolete/Unserviceable items of equipment including computers were placed haphazardly.
- Closed files including personal files were seen in boxes placed untidily on the floor.
- Desks and chairs seemingly in good condition were not properly protected from dust.
- Consumable items although stored on shelves were not labelled for easy identification.
- The Warehouse was generally dusty and not well ventilated.



## **37 - INTEGRITY COMMISSION**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.73 Signed lease agreements were not seen in respect of office accommodation rented by the Commission. As a result the terms and conditions of the lease arrangements were not determined.

## **38 - ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

### **Commitments**

2.74 It was observed that commitments were not treated in accordance with Ministry of Finance directives.

### **Internal Audit Function**

2.75 Regulation 13 (4) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01 states:

*“Each accounting unit shall have a check staff and an independent internal audit section.”*

2.76 It was noted that officers of the Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment performed the internal audit function for the Commission.

## **39 - MINISTRY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

### **Contract Employment**

2.77 A sample of transactions relating to eighteen (18) officers employed on contract revealed the following:

- Evidence of assumption of duty for two (2) officers was not produced.
- Evidence for the continued employment of one officer was not seen.
- Signed contract agreements were not produced in respect of seven (7) officers.
- Overpayments totalling \$34,064.85 occurred in respect of three (3) officers.

## **39 - MINISTRY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT (cont'd)**

### **Commitments**

2.78 Many instances were observed where Commitments were not recorded in Vote Books. This is contrary to the requirements of Ministry of Finance Circular No.23 of 1959 dated 1959 October 27.

### **Internal Audit**

2.79 Audit scrutiny of the Ministry's books and records revealed very little evidence of Internal Audit examination. Also Internal Audit Work Plan for the financial year was not provided. Further, evidence was not seen that reports and recommendations with respect to findings on work done were submitted to the Accounting Officer/Permanent Secretary.

## **40 - MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND ENERGY INDUSTRIES**

### **Rent/Lease – Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.80 Signed lease agreements were not seen in respect of two (2) premises occupied by the Ministry in respect of which monthly rentals of \$46,150.00 and \$107,944.75 respectively were paid. As a result, the relevant expenditure was not verified neither were terms and conditions of the lease arrangements determined.

### **Contract Employment**

2.81 Signed agreements of employment for certain officers recruited on contract were not produced for audit examination. As a result, the terms and conditions of employment could not be ascertained.

### **Internal Control**

#### **Subsidiary Records**

2.82 The following subsidiary records were not properly maintained in accordance with financial directives:

- The Overpayment Register (Advances Accounts)
- The Remittance Register
- The Counterfoil Register.

### **Pay Record Cards**

2.83 Pay Record Cards were not stored in a fireproof enclosure as required by financial directives.

## **40 - MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND ENERGY INDUSTRIES (cont'd)**

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.84 A physical verification of items purchased during the year revealed that items did not bear any form of identification marks or labels.

## **42 - MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

### **Travelling and Subsistence**

2.85 The Travelling Register was not properly maintained in that pertinent information was not recorded. At the time of audit in 2007 November, payments of mileage and upkeep claims for the month of 2006 November were not recorded in the Travelling Register.

2.86 Diaries in respect of the year 2006 for certain travelling officers were not produced for audit scrutiny.

### **Rent/Lease - Office Accommodation and Storage**

2.87 Signed lease agreements were not seen for three (3) premises occupied by the Ministry in respect of which rental totalling \$125,155.00 per month was paid. As a result, the relevant expenditure was not verified neither were the terms and conditions of the lease arrangements determined.

### **Contract Employment**

2.88 Signed agreements of employment for several officers recruited on contract were not produced for audit examination. As a result, the terms and conditions of employment could not be ascertained.

### **Development Programme**

### **Local Government Reform Programme**

2.89 Items of furniture and furnishings in the sum of \$327,812.10 purchased for this Programme were not recorded in the Inventory. Further, these items were not coded or tagged for identification purposes.

## **42 - MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT (cont'd)**

### **Internal Control**

2.90 There was non-compliance with financial directives in respect of the maintenance of several subsidiary records as follows:

- Schedules of Accounts presented did not always contain all pertinent information.
- Certain Schedules of Accounts, Payment vouchers and Abstract of Payments were not presented for audit examination.
- Reconciliation of Monthly Abstract of Payments and List of Unpaid Cheques were not presented in respect of eleven (11) of the twelve (12) months of the financial year.
- Cheque forms were not used in numerical sequence as required.
- Payment vouchers were not securely filed as required by financial directives.
- Particulars of salary were not always entered on pay record cards.
- Pay record cards were not stored in a fireproof enclosure as required.
- In certain instances, overpayments were not recorded in the Overpayments Register (Advances Accounts) or reported to the relevant authorities.
- The necessary approvals for the transfer of releases between sub-items were not always made available for audit.
- Certain virements were not recorded in the Vote Book.
- Items of furniture and equipment did not bear identification marks.

### **Deposit Accounts**

2.91 Documentary evidence was not produced to ascertain the status of seven (7) Deposit Accounts under the purview of the Ministry. Further, Reconciliation Statements for these accounts have not been received by this Department for several years.

### **Internal Audit**

2.92 There was no evidence that the Programme of Work for the financial year 2007 was approved by the Accounting Officer. Further, there was little evidence of internal audit checks on several expenditure records examined.

## 42 - MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT (cont'd)

### **Infrastructure Renewal Improvement and Development Programme**

2.93 Cabinet in 2004 agreed to the commencement of a Local Government Infrastructure Renewal Improvement and Development Programme (IRIAD). The programme consisted mainly of small-scale labour intensive development projects which focused mainly on supporting infrastructure works which included roads, drains, cemeteries, recreational parks and sidewalks in the various communities. The Ministry of Local Government has been the facilitating and coordinating body for the Regional Corporations which administered the various infrastructure projects.

2.94 During 2007 funding for these projects was allocated through the Ministry's Recurrent Expenditure. According to the records of the Ministry of Local Government, amounts totalling \$27,622,651.37 were released to the various Regional Corporations for the conduct of work in the regions. There was no evidence that specific instructions were issued by the Ministry of Local Government to the various Regional Corporations for the conduct of the IRIAD programme or that there was monitoring of the programme by the Ministry.

2.95 There was non-compliance with the Comptroller of Accounts Circular No.13 dated 2007 November 14 in that, in several instances the Statement presented did not follow the format set out in the Circular.

### **Appropriation Account**

2.96 Statements reconciling the undermentioned figures as at 2007 September 30 were not presented for audit.

	\$
Expenditure as per Appropriation Account	1,181,574,419.00
Final Expenditure Notification	1,179,413,668.04
Treasury Card balance	1,172,671,271.77

2.97 Contrary to Comptroller of Accounts Circular No.6 of 1988, total expenditure as reflected in the Appropriation Account exceeded total credits granted by \$1,982,700.00.

2.98 The Monthly Abstract of Payments and List of Unpaid Cheques for 2007 September was not presented for audit.

## **43 - MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT**

### **Contract Employment**

2.99 Signed agreements were not seen for five (5) persons employed on contract.

### **Other Contracted Services**

2.100 Three (3) vouchers totalling \$12,168,001.56 relating to previous years were not personally countersigned by the Accounting Officer contrary to Instruction 108 (4) of the Financial Instructions, 1965.

### **Development Programme**

#### **Trunk Road Expansions**

#### **Consultancy Services for Feasibility Studies and**

#### **Design Extension of Solomon Hochoy Highway**

#### **San Fernando to Princes Town**

2.101 According to the contract document, the commencement date of this contract was 2005 June 30. The contract was to be completed within eight (8) months of the commencement date of the services or such further time as agreed in writing between the parties.

2.102 At 2007 September 30, the contract was not completed and the contract exceeded the completion date by nineteen (19) months. Approval for this variation was not seen.

#### **Wrightson Road Improvements**

2.103 A signed contract agreement between the Ministry and the contracting firm was not produced for audit.

## **47 - MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

### **Travel Card** **Head Office**

2.104 Evidence was not seen that the provisions of Minister of Finance Circular No. 7 dated 2005 October 04 were adhered to with respect to an Overseas Travel Card issued to this officer of the Ministry in 2006 March.

## **47 - MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (cont'd)**

2.105 Evidence was also not seen that the Comptroller of Accounts was notified that an officer was appointed to act in another Ministry.

2.106 Monthly Bank Statements for the period 2006 June to 2007 March were not seen on file.

### **Appropriation Account**

2.107 The Appropriation Account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has not been received as at 2008 March 19. Appendix 2 refers.

### **OVERSEAS MISSIONS** **EMBASSY, BRASILIA**

#### **Personnel Expenditure**

2.108 It was noted that three (3) persons were employed in excess of the approved establishment for locally recruited staff. The authority for this action was not seen. Further, terms and conditions for locally recruited staff were not determined.

2.109 In several instances, paysheets were not certified. In some instances paysheets were seen to have been certified by a junior officer.

#### **Internal Controls**

2.110 There was no segregation of duties within the cash management system, in that one officer was responsible for the collection, receipting and recording of cash. The officer also authorized and approved expenditure transactions, in addition to maintaining custody of assets.

2.111 Receipts were not issued in sequence contrary to financial directives. Also details on duplicate receipts were not legible. Further, there was no evidence that the work of the officer was supervised/checked by a senior officer, or that surprise checks were conducted.

2.112 Payment vouchers did not contain full particulars of goods or services received. In addition, supporting bills/invoices were not attached to the vouchers. Vouchers were also not stamped 'Paid' after payment was effected.

## **47 - MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (cont'd)**

### **Vote Book**

2.113 The Vote Book was not properly maintained in that:

- Initials of the authorizing officer were not seen therein.
- Conversion rates used were not recorded.
- Amounts released were incorrectly recorded.

2.114 There was no evidence of internal independent checks on the accounting and subsidiary records. Numerous errors, superimpositions and cancellations of entries were seen in the Vote Book, the payment vouchers, the receipt books and on cancelled cheque forms.

### **Inventory Register**

2.115 The Inventory Register was not properly maintained in that date of acquisition, cost, serial numbers, and proper description of items were not recorded. Further, identification marks were not seen on items of furniture and equipment.

### **Vote Control**

2.116 As at 2007 August 31, expenditure totalling TT\$983,845.41 was incurred in excess of amounts released contrary to Financial Directives.

## **CONSULATE GENERAL, MIAMI**

### **Personnel Expenditure**

2.117 A signed contract of employment for an officer was not produced for audit. As a result, the terms and conditions of employment could not be ascertained. Further, letters of assumption of duty for locally recruited staff were not produced for audit.

### **Vote Control**

2.118 At the time of audit in 2007 August, expenditure totalling TT\$479,260.27 was incurred in excess of amounts released. This is contrary to Financial Directives.

### **Internal Controls**

#### **Maintenance of Subsidiary Records**

2.119 The Travelling Register was not properly maintained in that pertinent information relating to travelling officers was not recorded.



## **47 - MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (cont'd)**

2.120 The Inventory Register presented for audit was not up to date in that assets purchased were not recorded. Further, items of furniture and equipment did not bear any identification marks.

### **EMBASSY, WASHINGTON**

#### **Cash and Bank**

2.121 The following observations were noted:

- The Cash Book was not written up for the month of 2007 August.
- Bank reconciliation statements were completed only up to 2007 May 31.
- Bank reconciliation statement for 2007 May was not dated nor signed by preparer and checker.
- The list of unpaid cheques as at 2007 May 31 revealed that cheques totalling US\$26,313.09 were stale dated.
- Adjustments amounting to US\$11,306.85 related to uncleared matters dating back to 1998.
- Reconciliation statements for the Money Market Account were completed only up to 2007 July.

#### **Personnel Expenditure**

2.122 Four (4) persons were employed in excess of the number of locally recruited staff approved in the Estimates. Authority for this was not seen.

#### **Vote Control**

2.123 Expenditure totalling \$432,996.58 under six (6) sub-items was incurred in excess of amounts released as at 2007 August 31. This is contrary to the Ministry of Finance directive which states that expenditure and commitments must not exceed amounts released.

#### **Stores Register**

2.124 There was no provision for referencing of receipts and issues of liquor in the Stores Register. Further, a proper system for the issues of liquor was not in place. This was evidenced by hand written notes on blank pages filed loosely in the Stores Register.

## **47 - MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (cont'd)**

### **Inventory**

2.125 The Inventory Listings were not properly maintained in that identification numbers, model or serial numbers of items were not recorded.

2.126 A physical verification of inventory at the Chancery and two of the residences revealed that items of furniture and equipment did not bear any identification marks or labels.

2.127 Certain items of furniture and equipment seen at the residences were not recorded in the Inventory Listing.

## **54 - MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION**

### **Personnel Expenditure**

2.128 Reports of overpayment of salaries were not received by the Auditor General as required by financial directives. In some instances overpayments were not recorded on Pay Record Cards. Further, certain recoveries of overpayments were not recorded in the Overpayments Register.

### **Contract Employment**

2.129 Signed agreements in respect of officers engaged on contract were not produced for audit.

### **Travel Card**

2.130 Bank Statements reflecting expenditure incurred under this facility were not produced for audit.

2.131 Also there was no evidence that examination of expenditure incurred under the Travel Card Facility was included in the internal audit work programme as required by the Minister of Finance Circular No. 7 dated 2005 October 04.

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.132 A computerized listing of inventory items was produced. However, several of the items were not clearly identified by serial number as required by the financial directives.

## **54 - MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION (cont'd)**

### **On-the-Job Training (OJT) Programme**

2.133 There were many instances where correspondence from coordinators indicating the status of trainees was received long after the trainees had left the job, resulting in overpayment of emoluments. There was no evidence that these overpayments were being reported to the Comptroller of Accounts and the Auditor General as required by financial directives. Further, in certain instances there was no evidence that recovery of overpayments were being made.

### **Deposit Accounts**

2.134 Evidence was not seen of reconciliation of the Ministry's balances with those of the Treasury with respect to four (4) deposit accounts. This is contrary to Instruction 212 of the Financial Instructions, 1965. Further, the Cash Book and Deposit Register were not properly maintained.

## **55 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE AND GENDER AFFAIRS**

### **Contract Employment**

2.135 Signed agreements for certain officers engaged on contract were not produced for audit examination. As a result, the terms and conditions could not be ascertained.

### **Other Contracted Services**

2.136 It was seen that the guidelines for the filling of two (2) contract positions as outlined in Personnel Department Circular Memorandum PD (bm) : 12/2/1 Vol. IV dated 2006 May 18 were not adhered to in that the persons were engaged under the arrangement of 'offer of service'. This situation obtained in 2005 and 2006 and continued in financial year 2007.

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

#### **General Administration**

2.137 The Inventory of furniture and equipment was not written up to date at the time of audit.

## **55 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE AND GENDER AFFAIRS (cont'd)**

### **Gender Affairs Division**

2.138 Items of furniture and equipment purchased during the year did not bear any form of identification marks.

### **Community Development Division**

2.139 An Inventory of the asset items was not presented for audit scrutiny.

### **Culture Division**

2.140 Items of furniture and equipment acquired in previous years for this Division were not recorded in the Inventory.

### **Internal Audit**

2.141 A review of the work conducted by the Internal Audit revealed that significant areas such as Development Programme expenditure, Inventory records and expenditure under the Infrastructure Development Fund were not examined.

## **56 - MINISTRY OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **Minor Equipment Purchases**

2.142 The approval of the National Information Systems Centre (NISC) as required by Central Tenders Board Regulations was not seen for the purchase of computer equipment totalling \$256,200.00.

## **GENERAL**

2.143 The Auditor General by Circular Memorandum No. 03 of 2008 dated 2008 January 11 requested all Permanent Secretaries and Heads of Department to submit the following information as at 2007 September 30:

- (i) Outstanding Commitments
- (ii) Particulars of trust and/or other monies held
- (iii) Particulars of all gifts and/or donations received from agencies/entities
- (iv) Particulars of the total number of persons employed in contract positions and the total amount paid to such persons during the financial year
- (v) Action taken in respect of pension and leave records in response to circulars issued by the Comptroller of Accounts.

Information received in response to the Circular Memorandum is given below at paragraphs 2.144 to 2.148.

### **Outstanding Commitments**

2.144 Commitments represent amounts relating to goods and services that have been ordered but not yet delivered and in respect of which payments have not been made. Outstanding Commitments as reported totalled \$66,103,297.14. Appendix 5 refers. These amounts are a first charge on the following year's Appropriation.

### **Trust and/or other Monies held**

2.145 Twenty-four (24) Accounting Officers submitted "Nil" returns indicating that no monies were held on trust by them as at 2007 September 30. Responses were not received from fourteen (14) Accounting Officers.

### **Gifts and/or Donations received by Ministries and Departments**

2.146 Replies were received from twenty-five (25) Accounting Officers. Of these one officer stated that the Ministry had received a gift to the value of \$200.00 during the financial year.

## **GENERAL (cont'd)**

### **Contract Positions**

2.147 Replies were received from twenty-four (24) Accounting Officers indicating that for the financial year ended 2007 September 30, one thousand, eight hundred and twenty-eight (1,828) persons were employed in contract positions, and that amounts totalling \$171,750,628.82 were paid to these officers during this period. Duly executed contracts were not produced for several of these officers employed on contract.

### **Pension and Leave Records**

2.148 Responses submitted by Ministries and Departments indicated that, in general, personnel have been employed to prepare the relevant Pension and Leave records and that these records are being submitted to the Comptroller of Accounts in a timely manner as required.

### **Deposit Accounts**

2.149 Ministries and Departments are given approval by the Comptroller of Accounts to maintain Deposit Accounts. Monies accepted as deposits are lodged with the Treasury for safekeeping and are referred to as "Treasury Deposits". The amounts in the Treasury Deposit Accounts are temporary lodgements and are shown as liabilities in the records of the Treasury.

2.150 Contrary to financial directives, Reconciliation Statements of Deposit Accounts as at 2007 September 30 and supporting analyses of balances where necessary were not received from several Accounting Officers in respect of two hundred and one (201) deposit accounts. Appendix 6 refers.

2.151 Financial Instruction 213 (1) states that "Unless the Treasury otherwise directs, all deposits which have remained unclaimed for three years shall be transferred to revenue." Reconciliation Statements received by the Auditor General in respect of balances held on Deposit Accounts as at 2007 September 30 revealed that amounts totalling \$25,642,860.72 remained on deposit on eighteen (18) accounts for periods in excess of three (3) years. The approval of the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Instruction 213 (1) of the Financial Instructions, 1965 was not seen for these amounts to remain on deposit beyond the period of three (3) years. Particulars of deposits that have not been transferred to revenue after three (3) years are set out at Appendix 7.

2.152 It is recommended that there be stricter adherence to the provisions of Part XIII of the Financial Instructions, 1965 relative to Deposits.

## **GENERAL (cont'd)**

### **Cases of Overpayment and Recoveries**

2.153 The 2007 Appropriation Account revealed that three thousand, eight hundred and forty-seven (3,847) cases of overpayment totalling \$13,197,042.28 were discovered during the financial year. Of this amount \$5,204,437.52 was recovered. Appendix 8 refers.

### **LOSS OF STATE PROPERTY**

#### **Cases of Theft and Losses Reported**

2.154 During the financial year ended 2007 September 30, one hundred and thirty-nine (139) cases of theft and losses totalling \$3,537,490.64 were reported to the Auditor General in accordance with Regulation 131 (2) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01. These comprise fifty-three (53) cases, each over \$5,000.00 in value, totalling \$3,423,399.57 and eighty-six (86) cases, each under \$5,000.00 in value totalling \$114,091.07. Appendices 9/1 and 9/2 respectively refer.

#### **Unanswered Correspondence**

2.155 Management Letters addressed to some Accounting Officers on matters arising from audits conducted have remained unanswered. These memoranda highlight weaknesses in the systems of accounting and internal control and it is therefore imperative that these matters are addressed promptly and that responses are forwarded to the Auditor General.





# **CHAPTER 3**

## **ACCOUNTS OF RECEIVERS OF REVENUE**



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3.01 Receivers of Revenue are responsible for all aspects of the collection of revenue and for rendering proper account of the sums received under specific Heads of Revenue assigned to them. The Letter of Appointment which is issued to each Receiver of Revenue details the responsibility of a Receiver of Revenue as follows:

*“In order that there may be no misunderstanding, it is emphasized that under the heading of collection your responsibility covers all the following stages:*

- *Ascertaining the existence of liabilities*
- *Ensuring that correct charges are levied*
- *Establishing written records of sums due and paid*
- *Taking proper steps to secure payment.”*

#### **Revenue Collectible**

3.02 The approved estimated revenue to be collected for the financial year 2007 was \$35,083,708,944.00. These revenues were authorized to be collected under the following Heads of Revenue.

<b><u>CLASSIFICATION</u></b>	<b><u>HEADS OF REVENUE</u></b>	<b><u>2007 ESTIMATE</u></b> \$
Tax Revenue	01 Taxes on Income and Profits	22,831,799,111.00
	02 Taxes on Property	67,000,000.00
	03 Taxes on Goods and Services	5,243,390,726.00
	04 Taxes on International Trade	1,933,940,000.00
	05 Other Taxes	<u>334,583,258.00</u>
<b>TOTAL TAX REVENUE</b>		<b><u>30,410,713,095.00</u></b>
Non-Tax Revenue	06 Property Income	2,657,874,326.00
	07 Other Non-Tax Revenue	604,148,358.00
	08 Repayment of Past Lending	<u>43,276,415.00</u>
<b>TOTAL NON TAX REVENUE</b>		<b><u>3,305,299,099.00</u></b>
Capital Receipts	09 Capital Revenue	<b><u>44,368,750.00</u></b>
Financing	10 Borrowing	1,323,328,000.00
	12 Debt Financing	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FINANCING</b>		<b><u>1,323,328,000.00</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b><u>35,083,708,944.00</u></b>

## **Revenue Collected**

3.03 The Statement of Revenue submitted by the Treasury showed that the total actual revenue collected during the financial year ended 2007 September 30 was \$40,466,697,254.48. This amount comprised the following:

	\$
Tax Revenue	34,209,142,431.63
Non-Tax Revenue	4,271,680,094.33
Capital Receipts	29,581,701.55
Financing	1,956,293,026.97

3.04 Revenue collected as reported by the various Ministries and Departments for the year 2007 was \$43,682,502,368.09.

3.05 The revenue collected totalling \$40,466,697,254.48 as according to Statement of Revenue submitted by the Treasury exceeded the original estimate of \$35,083,708,944.00 by \$5,382,988,310.48. However, during the financial year it was noted that the original estimates were revised showing total revenue collectible for the year as \$40,444,292,319.00. The major increase in revenue was from the oil companies and this can be attributed mainly to increases in the oil price.

3.06 Comparison of the figures reflected on the Statement of Revenue submitted by the Treasury and the figures in the various Statements of Receipts and Disbursements showed certain differences. Differences in excess of \$200,000.00 are highlighted at Appendix 10.

## **Statements of Receipts and Disbursements**

3.07 In accordance with section 24 (1) (c) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by the Financial Year Act, 1998, Receivers of Revenue were required to prepare and transmit to the Auditor General, Statements of Receipts and Disbursements for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 by 2008 January 31.

3.08 Statements of Receipts and Disbursements were received from thirty-nine (39) of the forty-seven (47) Receivers of Revenue within the deadline date. Subsequent to the deadline date statements were received from three (3) Receivers of Revenue up until 2008 March 19. Appendix 3 refers.

3.09 As at 2008 March 19, Statements of Receipts and Disbursements were not received from five (5) Receivers of Revenue as detailed below:

<b>Code</b>	<b>No. of Sub-Items</b>
FA1 - Permanent Secretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs	2
FN5 - Permanent Secretary Ministry of Finance (Investment Division)	3
NS2 - Chief Immigration Officer Ministry of National Security	8
WT1 - Permanent Secretary Ministry of Works and Transport	1
WT3 - Director Maritime Services Ministry of Works and Transport	12

### **Examination of Revenue Records**

3.10 The following observations were noted in the examination of revenue records of the undermentioned Ministries/Departments.

### **ELECTIONS AND BOUNDARIES COMMISSION**

3.11 Evidence was not seen that the monthly Revenue records of the Commission were being reconciled with the balances reflected in the Treasury records as required by Financial Directives.

### **Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**

3.12 The balances on the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements did not agree with the balances extracted from the records of the Commission for the four (4) revenue items under its control. Figures extracted from the records of the Commission totalled \$308,294.00. However, figures on the Statement totalled \$377,968.00. A Reconciliation of the balances was not produced.

## **MINISTRY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND INFORMATION**

3.13 A listing of scholars in breach of their loan agreements was presented for audit. However, there were instances where names were not recorded against balances and in other instances the effective date of the loan was omitted.

3.14 A comparison of the above mentioned list with the Registers revealed that names on the list were not seen in the Registers. In addition, there were instances where repayments were seen received from persons whose names were not in the Registers.

## **MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY**

3.15 Evidence was not seen that monthly Statements of Revenue were submitted to the Ministry of Finance as required.

3.16 Returns of Counterfoil were not remitted to the relevant authorities as required. In addition, a Counterfoil Register for the control of receipt books was not produced for audit.

## **MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND ENERGY INDUSTRIES**

### **Revenue**

3.17 The figure shown as Revenue was not verified as the undermentioned revenue records were not produced for audit examination.

- Cash Book
- Duplicate Receipts
- Deposit Vouchers
- Comptroller of Accounts Receipts
- Treasury Cards.

### **Internal Control**

3.18 There was a lack of segregation of duties in that one person was responsible for the collection of cash, issuing receipts, recording entries in Revenue and Deposit Accounts and making deposits to the Treasury.

3.19 Revenue collected was not deposited on a timely basis as required.

3.20 Evidence was not seen that monthly Statements of Revenue were submitted to the Ministry of Finance as required by Financial Directives.

**MINISTRY OF FINANCE – BOARD OF INLAND REVENUE  
VALUE ADDED TAX**

3.21 The Statement of Receipts and Disbursements submitted by the Chairman, Board of Inland Revenue in respect of Value Added Tax showed revenue collected of \$8,726,606,414.51. However, the corresponding amount included in the Statement of Revenue submitted by the Treasury was \$4,828,979,453.02 a difference of \$3,897,626,961.49. This difference is attributable to Inter-Departmental Adjustments (IDAs) which were recorded by the Treasury but were not reflected on the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements pertaining to Value Added Tax.

**RETURNS OF ARREARS OF REVENUE**

3.22 Regulation 56 (2) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01, as amended, states as follows:

*“Accounting officers and receivers of revenue shall submit the original returns of arrears of revenue for the half year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March and 30<sup>th</sup> September to the Treasury and copies thereof shall be sent to the Auditor General not later than six weeks after the date to which they relate.”*

3.23 As at 2008 March 19, Returns of Arrears of Revenue as at 2007 September 30 were not received by this Department from fifteen (15) Receivers of Revenue in respect of seventy-nine (79) Items of Revenue. Appendix 11 refers.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ARREARS OF REVENUE**

3.24 A Consolidated Statement of Arrears of Revenue at 2007 September 30 submitted by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance shows Arrears of Revenue of \$1,886,390,634.00. The comparative balance as at 2006 September 30 was \$183,173,619.00. The major difference is accounted for by arrears of revenue in respect of Taxes on Income and Profits totalling \$1,415,939,599.00.

3.25 It was noted however, that the Statement reflected several cases of the non-receipt of information from Receivers of Revenue.

3.26 This Department’s records also indicate that several Receivers of Revenue have not complied with the requirements of Regulation 56 (2) of the Financial Regulations, Chapter 69:01 with respect to submission of copies of Statements of Arrears of Revenue to the Auditor General.





# **CHAPTER 4**

## **ACCOUNTS OF ADMINISTERING OFFICERS**



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#### **Appointment of Administering Officers**

4.01 Administering Officers are appointed by the Minister of Finance to administer all moneys disbursed from Funds established under section 43 of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 and/or from Funds established by other legislative authority. This responsibility includes disbursements from the Fund in respect of projects that have been contracted out to State Owned Enterprises.

4.02 Administering Officers are required to keep separate books of account and separate bank accounts in respect of each Fund and to ensure that a proper system of accounting as approved by the Treasury is established and maintained.

4.03 Administering Officers are also required, inter alia, to:

- prepare financial statements in a format approved by the Treasury for submission to the Auditor General four (4) months after the close of the financial year in accordance with section 24 (2) (a) and (b) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01, and
- ensure that the funds entrusted to their care are properly safeguarded and applied only for the purposes specified on the Schedule to the Warrant for withdrawal from the Fund.

#### **Funds Disbursed to Administering Officers**

4.04 During the financial year ended 2007 September 30, the Minister of Finance, by Warrants, authorized withdrawals totalling \$5,227,598,774.00 from five (5) Funds as shown at Table 11 which follows:

**TABLE 11**

**Funds authorized to be disbursed to Administering Officers  
during the financial year ended 2007 September 30**

ADMINISTERING OFFICER	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT WITHDRAWN (TREASURY)	EXPENDITURE AS PER FINANCIAL STATEMENT
<b>Unemployment Fund</b>	\$	\$	\$
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Local Government	286,820,000.00	276,133,857.62	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	44,000,000.00	43,943,400.16	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance (2007 Unemployment Relief Programme THA)	16,000,000.00	16,000,000.00	16,000,000.00
	<u>346,820,000.00</u>	<u>336,077,257.78</u>	<u>16,000,000.00</u>
<b>Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses Fund</b>			
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	472,779,069.00	458,044,422.43	472,227,752.18
<b>CARICOM Trade Support Fund</b>			
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry	5,080,000.00	0.00	US 239,050.00
<b>CARICOM Petroleum Fund</b>			
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance	337,953,447.00	337,308,266.00	337,308,266.00
<b>Infrastructure Development Fund</b>			
Permanent Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister	150,100,000.00	150,100,000.00	150,100,000.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance	301,107,758.00	301,107,758.00	301,107,758.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Planning and Development	472,108,603.00	407,773,647.68	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of National Security	5,005,646.00	4,995,220.73	4,995,220.73
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of the Attorney General	4,788,141.00	4,788,137.97	4,788,139.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	59,299,183.00	59,299,034.53	59,299,034.53
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>	992,409,331.00	928,063,798.91	520,290,152.26

**Table 11 (cont'd)**

ADMINISTERING OFFICER	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT WITHDRAWN (TREASURY)	EXPENDITURE AS PER FINANCIAL STATEMENT
<b>Infrastructure Development Fund (cont'd)</b>	\$	\$	\$
<b>Balance Brought Forward</b>	992,409,331.00	928,063,798.91	520,290,152.26
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education	299,370,188.00	297,910,619.25	297,910,619.25
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health	93,846,132.00	93,142,214.97	91,697,634.01
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	10,850,000.00	10,850,000.00	10,850,000.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Information	56,100,000.00	54,808,742.76	54,808,742.76
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Housing	960,886,000.00	960,794,934.49	960,794,934.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	70,040,000.00	70,040,000.00	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	69,700,000.00	69,700,000.00	69,700,000.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Works and Transport	772,019,545.00	458,468,755.31	458,468,755.31
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	309,538,410.00	309,538,410.00	309,538,410.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry	147,355,500.00	147,355,500.00	147,355,500.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	280,876,570.00	280,785,992.97	280,785,993.00
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Tourism	1,974,582.00	1,974,582.00	1,974,582.00
<b>TOTAL I.D.F</b>	<b>4,064,966,258.00</b>	<b>3,683,433,550.66</b>	<b>3,204,175,322.59</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL AUTHORIZED</b>	<b><u>5,227,598,774.00</u></b>		

## **THE UNEMPLOYMENT FUND (UF)**

### ***Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Local Government Financial Statement***

4.05 Contrary to the Comptroller of Accounts Circular No. 11 dated 2007 November 14, a financial statement in respect of funds released to the Ministry of Local Government (the Ministry) from the Unemployment Fund was not received for audit. According to the Vote Book of the Ministry amounts totalling \$283,341,939.71 were expended on the Programme. It was noted that the expenditure according to the Treasury's records was \$276,133,857.62, a difference of \$7,208,082.09. The reason for this difference was not ascertained.

### ***Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment***

4.06 Cabinet in 2003 gave approval to implement a National Reforestation and Watershed Rehabilitation Programme (NRWRP) to be funded under the Unemployment Fund to establish 5,000 acres of commercial forest plantations on State lands over a period of five (5) years and to maintain those acreages for a further five (5) years.

### **Staffing**

4.07 The Ministry was given the responsibility to set up a NRWRP Project Unit in the Ministry and employ twenty-five (25) members of staff on contract for one year (2004/2005). Signed contracts of employment have not been seen for twenty-three (23) of the twenty-five (25) members of staff.

### **Accommodation**

4.08 Evidence was seen that the NRWRP occupied office accommodation since 2004 April 01. However, a signed rental agreement was not seen for this accommodation in respect of which a monthly rental of \$8,800.00 was paid.

### **Financial Statement**

4.09 Contrary to the Comptroller of Accounts Circular No. 11 dated 2007 November 14, a Financial Statement in respect of funds released to the Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment from the Unemployment Fund was not received for audit.

### **Subsequent Event**

4.10 In 2007, Cabinet agreed that the NRWRP be partially funded from the Green Fund and that the Attorney General cause the necessary amendments to the Miscellaneous Taxes Act, Chapter 77:01 to give effect to this.

***Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance (Unemployment Relief Programme  
THA)***

4.11 Amounts totalling \$16,000,000.00 were authorized to be released by Warrant to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance for the Tobago House of Assembly. Certified Financial Statements have been received from the Administering Officer in respect of this amount.

***Regional Corporations***

4.12 Moneys were not released to Regional Corporations from the Unemployment Fund in the financial year 2007. However, with respect to Unspent Balances, evidence was not seen that amounts of \$92,918.19 and \$68,987.70 according to the records of the Point Fortin Borough Corporation and the Chaguanas Borough Corporation respectively were deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury directives.

***Tobago House of Assembly (Unemployment Relief Programme)  
Rental of Vehicles***

4.13 A documented policy with regard to the rental of vehicles was not seen. Further, signed agreements with respect to vehicles rented were not produced for audit.

***Minor Equipment Purchases***

4.14 Neither a Fixed Asset Register nor an Inventory Register was produced for audit examination.

***Stores***

4.15 The cost of Stores and the authority for purchase were not written on the relevant Purchase Orders.

4.16 A physical check of stores was undertaken. However, actual items could not be compared to recorded items as bin cards were not produced for audit.

**GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND**

4.17 Cabinet agreed in 2004 January to the establishment of the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Fund. Under this programme, half of the cost of tuition for any student enrolled in a tertiary programme at public as well as accredited private tertiary institutions are funded by Government.

## **GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND (cont'd)**

4.18 According to Warrants issued on the Fund, amounts totalling \$229,189,073.00 were released to fourteen (14) public institutions and \$243,589,996.00 was released to thirty-nine (39) private institutions.

4.19 The Financial Statement presented by the Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education reflected actual expenditure of \$472,227,752.18 for the financial year. This figure did not agree with that of \$458,044,422.43 reflected in the records of the Comptroller of Accounts. The reason for the difference of \$14,183,329.75 was not determined.

## **CARICOM TRADE SUPPORT FUND**

4.20 The Financial Statement presented for audit was not prepared in accordance with the Comptroller of Accounts Circular in that actual expenditure and outstanding commitments were shown as US \$239,050.00 and US \$285,000.00 respectively.

4.21 According to the Financial Statement presented by the Treasury, there were no withdrawals from the Fund in the financial year 2007. However, the statement presented by the Ministry of Trade and Industry reflected amounts released of TT\$4,000,000.00.

## **CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND**

4.22 Legal Notice No. 302 dated 2006 November 23 amended the First Schedule to the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 to include the CARICOM Petroleum Fund. The purpose of this Fund was to provide relief to member countries which were experiencing economic hardship because of the recent substantial price increases in crude oil and petroleum products.

4.23 During the financial year ended 2007 September 30, amounts totalling \$337,953,447.00 were authorized to be released by Warrants to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance as the Administering Officer of this Fund.

4.24 Payments totalling \$286,813,066.00 were made to various CARICOM Countries and an amount of \$50,495,200.00 was paid to Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS) on behalf of certain OECS countries in connection with the CARICOM Regional Strategy for ensuring a safe and secure environment for the hosting of Cricket World Cup 2007.



## **CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND (cont'd)**

4.25 A certified Financial Statement for this Fund has been received from the Administering Officer and has been verified.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND**

4.26 During the financial year ended 2007 September 30, amounts totalling \$4,064,966,258.00 were authorized to be released by Warrant to eighteen (18) Administering Officers in respect of the Infrastructure Development Fund. Table 11 at paragraph 4.04 refers. Certified Financial Statements have not been received from the undermentioned Administering Officers as at 2008 March 19.

<u>Administering Officer</u>	<u>Amount Authorised</u> \$
i) Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Planning and Development	472,108,603.00
ii) Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	70,040,000.00

### ***Ministry of Planning and Development*** **Financial Statement**

4.27 The Financial Statement for this Fund was received in the Auditor General's Department on 2008 April 09.

### **Releases - \$249,328,041.00**

4.28 The above figure did not agree with that of \$472,108,603.00 being the total of amounts released by Warrant, due to the omission of a warrant in the amount of \$222,780,562.00.

### **Expenditure - \$184,993,085.68**

4.29 The above figure did not agree with that of \$407,773,647.68 shown in the Treasury's records due to the omission of expenditure totalling \$222,780,562.00 in respect of reimbursement to UDECOTT for constructing Housing Units.

### ***Ministry of Health***

4.30 There was a difference of \$1,444,580.96 between expenditure of \$91,697,634.01 shown on the Financial Statement and that of \$93,142,214.97 shown in the Treasury's records.

4.31 It was explained that the difference represented two (2) cheques which were drawn on the Recurrent Account instead of the IDF account. This is contrary to Financial Directives.

### ***Ministry of Works and Transport***

4.32 Paragraphs 8 and 9 of Comptroller of Accounts Circular No. 12 dated 2005 November 09 require, inter alia, that the request for disbursements from the Fund by a Ministry, where the work is to be effected by a Special Purpose State Enterprise, must be supported by a contract between the Ministry and the Special Purpose State Enterprise.

4.33 It was seen that amounts totalling \$47,668,665.75 were disbursed to the National Infrastructure Development Company Limited (NIDCO), a Special Purpose Agency in respect of the Port of Spain East/West Corridor Transport Project. However, a contract between the Ministry of Works and Transport and NIDCO as required by the Comptroller of Accounts Circular was not seen.

### ***Ministry of Trade and Industry***

4.34 The Special Purpose State Enterprise (SPSE), Evolving TecKnologies and Enterprise Development Co. Ltd. (eTecK) was established to undertake certain projects for which funds totalling \$147,355,500.00 were disbursed during the period under review. However, a signed contract between the Ministry and eTecK as required by the Comptroller of Accounts Circular was not produced.

### ***Regional Corporations***

4.35 For the financial year 2007, no funds were released to Regional Corporations under the Infrastructure Development Fund. However, the examination of the records at various Corporations revealed the following.

***Port of Spain City Corporation***  
**Financial Statement**

4.36 The figure \$44,374.53 shown as Commitments on the Financial Statement did not agree with that of \$62,777.41 reflected in the Vote Book.

4.37 The total unspent balance held by the Corporation as at 2007 September 30 was \$618,379.11. Evidence was not seen that this amount was deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury Directives.

4.38 A confirmation of the Corporation's IDF bank account balance as at 2007 September 30 held at a commercial bank was not received by this Department.

***San Fernando City Corporation***  
**Unspent Balance - \$56,739.31**

4.39 Evidence was not seen that the unspent balance of \$56,739.31 was deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury directives.

***Point Fortin Borough Corporation***  
**Unspent Balance - \$83,779.12**

4.40 Evidence was not seen that the unspent balance of \$83,779.12 was deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury directives.

***Couva-Tabaquite-Talparo Regional Corporation***  
**Unspent balance - \$92,938.58**

4.41 Evidence was not seen that the unspent balance of \$92,938.58 was deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury directives.

***Siparia Regional Corporation***  
**Unspent balance - \$210,717.62**

4.42 Evidence was not seen that the unspent balance of \$210,717.62 was deposited with the Comptroller of Accounts as required by Treasury directives.

## **ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND**

### **General**

4.43 Part X of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act under which the Road Improvement Fund was established was repealed by section 5 (Part V) of the Finance Act 2006 (Act No. 2 of 2006) which was assented to on 2006 February 08.

4.44 It was noted that certain entities were holding unspent balances relative to this Fund. Details of these balances held at 2007 September 30 are given below:

	\$
- San Fernando City Corporation	137,833.01
- Point Fortin Borough Corporation	196,520.10
- Chaguanas Borough Corporation	1,375.57
- Couva-Tabaquite-Talparo Regional Corporation	1,867,592.77
- Port of Spain Corporation	<u>4,259,361.86</u>
	<b><u>6,462,683.31</u></b>

4.45 It was not seen that the Treasury issued any directives with regard to bringing closure to this Fund.

## **INTERIM REVENUE STABILISATION FUND**

4.46 The Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund was established by Legal Notice No. 217 dated 2000 September 21 which amended the First Schedule to the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01. At 2007 September 30, the balance in this Fund was nil, as a result of the transfer of the amount of \$8,892,333,423.42 to the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund in accordance with the provisions of the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund Act.

## **HERITAGE AND STABILISATION FUND**

4.47 The Heritage and Stabilisation Fund (the Fund) was established by the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund Act, 2007, Act No. 6 of 2007 (the Act). This Act was assented to on 2007 March 15.

4.48 Section 3 of the Act states that the purpose of the Fund is to save and invest surplus petroleum revenues derived from production business in order to:

- a) cushion the impact on or sustain public expenditure capacity during periods of revenue downturn whether caused by a fall in prices of crude oil or natural gas;

## **HERITAGE AND STABILISATION FUND (cont'd)**

- b) generate an alternate stream of income so as to support public expenditure capacity as a result of revenue downturn caused by the depletion of non-renewable petroleum resources and;
- c) provide a heritage for future generations of citizens of Trinidad and Tobago, from savings and investment income derived from the excess petroleum revenues.

4.49 The Fund is managed by a Board of Governors (the Board) comprising five (5) members appointed by the President on the advice of the Minister of Finance and including a representative of the Central Bank and the Ministry of Finance.

4.50 In accordance with section 10 of the Act the management of the Fund is delegated to the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago (the Bank). In this regard the responsibilities of the Bank include, inter alia, the management of the assets and other resources of the Fund, the investment of the assets and other resources of the Fund, the maintenance of records relating to the management of the fund and submission of the annual Report of the Fund to the Board.

4.51 The Fund is denominated in the currency of the United States of America (US\$).

4.52 Financial Statements of the Fund for the 6 1/2 month period ended 2007 September 30 were audited by the Auditor General and a report dated 2007 November 30 issued thereon.

## **GREEN FUND**

4.53 The Green Fund was established under Section 65 (1) of the Miscellaneous Taxes Act (the Act) as amended by the Finance Act 2004 (Act No. 5 of 2004), which was assented to on 2004 January 30. According to section 64 of the Act, the purpose of the Fund is to financially assist organizations and community groups that are primarily engaged in activities related to the remediation, reforestation and conservation of the environment.

4.54 Under the Act, the Board of Inland Revenue is charged with the collection of the Green Fund Levy in accordance with section 62 (1) of the Act.

4.55 In accordance with section 69 of the Act, the Green Fund Regulations were made by the Minister with responsibility for finance. Legal Notice No. 34 dated 2007 January 18 refers.

### **GREEN FUND (cont'd)**

4.56 In accordance with Cabinet approval, a Green Fund Executing Unit was established in the Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment.

4.57 Section 67 (1) of the Act provides for all accounts relating to the Green Fund to be audited annually by the Auditor General in accordance with the Exchequer and Audit Act as if the Fund was established under section 43 of that Act.

4.58 For the financial year ended 2007 September 30, there were no withdrawals from the Fund.

### **NATIONAL UNION OF GOVERNMENT AND FEDERATED WORKERS (NUGFW) TRAINING FUND**

4.59 Cabinet by Minute No. 2417 dated 2004 August 26 agreed to the establishment of this Fund from 2004 October to provide training and re-training of hourly, daily and weekly-rated workers of Central Government, the Tobago House of Assembly and certain Municipal Corporations where NUGFW is the certified bargaining agent.

4.60 Legal Notice No. 280 dated 2004 September 27 amended the First Schedule of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 to include the National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund.

4.61 No costs have been incurred under the Fund.

## **CHAPTER 5**

# **PAYMENTS OUT OF PUBLIC MONEYS TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**





## CHAPTER 5

### PAYMENTS OUT OF PUBLIC MONEYS TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Section 25 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 stipulates that:

*“The Auditor General shall set out in his annual report all payments made out of public moneys to a member of each House of Parliament (other than the salary and any allowances paid to him as a Minister, President or Deputy President of the Senate, Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the House, Parliamentary Secretary or as a member, and any pension paid to such member) by stating the name of the member receiving the payment, the total amount which he has received and the service or services in respect of which the payment was made.”*

5.02 By Auditor General’s Circular Memorandum No. 3 of 2007 dated 2007 November 12, all Permanent Secretaries and Heads of Departments were requested to submit particulars of all payments made out of public moneys to Members of Parliament as required by section 25 (2) of the Exchequer and Audit Act. Several responses were received which indicated that no payments were made in this regard. However, the following information was included at Note 4 to the Appropriation Account of the Ministry of the Attorney General.

<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Amount Received \$</b>	<b>Service or Services for which Payment was made</b>
Dana S. Seetahal	225,000.00	Appearance at the Court of Appeal on behalf of the State
Dana S. Seetahal	205,000.00	State v Anthony Perpignac
Dana S. Seetahal	250,000.00	Preliminary Enquiry, Police v Darren Paynter, Delano Cyrus & Others
Dana S. Seetahal	240,000.00	Extradition of Leon Nurse, Ricardo De Four, Kevin Demerieux and Zion Clarke: Hostage Taking etc.
Dana S. Seetahal	125,000.00	USA vs. Kadir, Kareen & Nur Extradition Committal Proceedings
Dana S. Seetahal	10,000.00	Advice to Deputy DPP re Prime Minister’s Request for Information on Termination of Proceedings in Police vs. Satnarine Sharma
Dana S. Seetahal	100,000.00	Naraynsingh and Ramasir
Dana S. Seetahal	40,000.00	Derek Perpignac a/c Anthony Mauge - v - The State
Dana S. Seetahal	<u>100,000.00</u>	A.G.’s reference # 1 of 2006 Pursuant to S.63 (5) of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act Chap. 4:01
<b>Total Carried Forward</b>	1,295,000.00	

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<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Amount Received \$</b>	<b>Service or Services for which Payment was made</b>
<b>Total Brought Forward</b>	1,295,000.00	
Dana S. Seetahal	120,000.00	USA vs. (1) Joseph Soomai (2) Alfred John Williams (3) Bobby Edwards
Dana S. Seetahal	307,500.00	State vs. (1) Saddiqui Martin (2) Shawn Lawrence (Murder)
Dana S. Seetahal	60,000.00	Sundar Mungroo vs. The State – Criminal Appeal
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>1,782,500.00</b></u>	

# APPENDICES



## **APPENDIX 1**

**In accordance with section 24 (1) (a) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by the Financial Year Act, 1998, the Treasury was required to submit Financial Statements for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 by 2008 January 31. Listed below are the Financial Statements received from the Treasury.**

<b>STATEMENTS RECEIVED</b>	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>
1. The Exchequer Account (TS 5/TS 7)	2008 January 30
2. Statement of the Public Debt (TS 38/TS 40)	2008 January 30
3. Statement of Loans from General Revenue (TS 41/TS 44)	2008 January 30
4. Statement of Revenue (TS 2)	2008 January 30
5. Statement of Expenditure (TS 3/TS 4)	2008 January 30
6. Statement of Loans or Credits Guaranteed by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago (TS 8)	2008 January 30
7. Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities (TS 1)	2008 January 30
8. Statement of Loans and Advances from Funds for Long-Term Development (TS 45/TS 47)	2008 January 30
9. Consolidated Fund (TS 37)	2008 January 30
10. Unemployment Fund (TS 18/TS 19)	2008 January 30
11. Road Improvement Fund (TS 20/TS 21)	2008 January 30
12. Infrastructure Development Fund (TS 22/TS 24)	2008 January 30
13. Interim Revenue Stabilisation Fund (TS 25/TS 26)	2008 January 30
14. Government Employees' Provident Fund	2008 January 30
15. National Union of Government and Federated Workers Training Fund (TS 27/TS 28)	2008 January 30
16. Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Fund (TS 29/TS 30)	2008 January 30
17. Green Fund (TS 31/TS 32)	2008 January 30
18. CARICOM Trade Support Fund (TS 33/TS 34)	2008 January 30
19. CARICOM Petroleum Fund (TS 35/TS 36)	2008 January 30

## APPENDIX 2

**In accordance with section 24 (1) (b) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by the Financial Year Act, 1998, Accounting Officers were required to prepare and transmit to the Auditor General, Appropriation Accounts for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 by 2008 January 31. Listed below are the Appropriation Accounts received from Accounting Officers. Appropriation Accounts received after 2008 March 19 are not included.**

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	NAME OF MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	DATE RECEIVED
01	President	2008 January 24
03	Judiciary	2008 January 31
04	Industrial Court	2008 January 24
05	Parliament	2008 January 31
06	Service Commissions	2008 January 28
07	Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	2008 January 31
<b>08</b>	<b>Elections and Boundaries Commission</b>	<b>2008 February 08</b>
09	Tax Appeal Board	2008 January 31
11	Registration Recognition and Certification Board	2008 January 31
<b>12</b>	<b>Public Service Appeal Board</b>	<b>2008 February 15</b>
13	Office of the Prime Minister	2008 January 31
15	Tobago House of Assembly	2008 January 31
16	Central Administrative Services, Tobago	2008 January 31
17	Personnel Department	2008 January 31
18	Ministry of Finance	2008 January 31
19	Charges on Account of the Public Debt	2008 January 30
20	Pensions and Gratuities	2008 January 30
21	Ministry of Planning and Development	2008 January 30
<b>22</b>	<b>Ministry of National Security</b>	<b>2008 February 01</b>
23	Ministry of the Attorney General	2008 January 31
24	Ministry of Legal Affairs	2008 January 25

## APPENDIX 2 Cont'd.

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	NAME OF MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	DATE RECEIVED
25	Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	2008 January 30
26	Ministry of Education	2008 January 30
28	Ministry of Health	2008 January 31
30	Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	2008 January 31
31	Ministry of Public Administration and Information	2008 January 30
35	Ministry of Tourism	2008 January 24
36	Ministry of Housing	2008 January 31
37	Integrity Commission	2008 January 30
38	Environmental Commission	2008 January 31
39	Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2008 January 25
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	2008 January 30
42	Ministry of Local Government	2008 January 31
43	Ministry of Works and Transport	2008 January 31
46	Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	2008 January 31
<b>47</b>	<b>Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>Ministry of Trade and Industry</b>	<b>2008 February 08</b>
<b>54</b>	<b>Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education</b>	<b>2008 February 11</b>
55	Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	2008 January 30
56	Ministry of Social Development	2008 January 31

### **APPENDIX 3**

**List of Statements received from Receivers of Revenue.  
(Statements of Receipts and Disbursements received after 2008 March 19  
are not included)  
(Paragraph 3.08 of the Report refers.)**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>RECEIVER OF REVENUE</b>	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>
AL 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	2008 January 30
AL 2	Director of Surveys, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	2008 January 30
AL 3	Commissioner of State Lands, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	2008 January 30
AT 4	Chief State Solicitor, Ministry of the Attorney General	2008 January 24
CD 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	2008 January 30
<b>EB 1</b>	<b>Chief Elections Officer, Elections and Boundaries Commission</b>	<b>2008 February 08</b>
ED 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education	2008 January 30
EN 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	2008 January 31
<b>FA 1</b>	<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
FN 1	Comptroller of Accounts, Ministry of Finance	2008 January 31
FN 2	Chairman, Board of Inland Revenue, Ministry of Finance	2008 January 31
FN 3	Comptroller of Customs and Excise, Ministry of Finance	2008 January 30
<b>FN 5</b>	<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance (Investment Division)</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
FN 6	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance	2008 January 30
HE 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health	2008 January 31
<b>HS 1</b>	<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Housing</b>	<b>2008 February 21</b>
IC 1	Registrar, Industrial Court	2008 January 24



**APPENDIX 3 Cont'd.**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>RECEIVER OF REVENUE</b>	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>
JM 1	Chief Magistrate, Judiciary - Magistracy	2008 January 31
JS 1	Registrar, Judiciary – Supreme Court	2008 January 31
LA 1	Registrar General, Ministry of Legal Affairs	2008 January 31
LA 2	Controller, Intellectual Property Office, Ministry of Legal Affairs	2008 January 31
LA 3	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Legal Affairs	2008 January 31
LE 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	2008 January 31
NS 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of National Security	2008 January 31
<b>NS 2</b>	<b>Chief Immigration Officer, Ministry of National Security</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
NS 3	Commissioner of Police, Ministry of National Security	2008 January 30
NS 4	Chief Fire Officer, Ministry of National Security	2008 January 25
NS 5	Commissioner of Prisons, Ministry of National Security	2008 January 31
PA 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Information	2008 January 30
PA 3	Director, Property and Real Estate Management Services Division, Ministry of Public Administration and Information	2008 January 30
<b>PD 1</b>	<b>Director of Statistics, Ministry of Planning and Development</b>	<b>2008 February 06</b>
PU 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2008 January 25
RO 1	Revenue Officer V, St. George West – Ministry of Finance	2008 January 29
RO 2	Revenue Officer IV, St. George East – Ministry of Finance	2008 January 23
RO 3	Revenue Officer IV, Caroni/Chaguanas - Ministry of Finance	2008 January 03

**APPENDIX 3 Cont'd.**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>RECEIVER OF REVENUE</b>	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>
RO 4	Revenue Officer IV, St. Andrew/St. David – Ministry of Finance	2008 January 21
RO 5	Revenue Officer IV, St. Patrick – Ministry of Finance	2008 January 09
RO 6	Revenue Officer IV, Nariva/Mayaro – Ministry of Finance	2008 January 31
RO 7	Revenue Officer IV, Victoria - Ministry of Finance	2008 January 09
RO 8	Revenue Officer IV, Tobago	2008 January 15
SC 1	Director of Personnel Administration, Service Commissions Department	2008 January 28
SY 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	2008 January 31
TA 1	Registrar, Tax Appeal Board	2008 January 31
TR 1	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry	2008 January 31
<b>WT 1</b>	<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Works and Transport</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
WT 2	Transport Commissioner, Ministry of Works and Transport	2008 January 23
<b>WT 3</b>	<b>Director, Maritime Services, Ministry of Works and Transport</b>	<b>Not Received</b>

## **APPENDIX 4**

In accordance with section 24 (2) (a) and (b) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 as amended by the Financial Year Act, 1998, officers administering a fund established under section 43 of the Act or any trust or other fund were required to prepare, sign and transmit to the Auditor General an account for the financial year ended 2007 September 30 by 2008 January 31. Listed below are the Accounts received from Administering Officers. Financial Statements received after 2008 March 19 are not included.

<b>ADMINISTERING OFFICERS</b>	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>
<b>1. THE UNEMPLOYMENT FUND</b>	
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Local Government	Not Received
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	Not Received
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance (2007 Unemployment Relief Programme, Tobago House of Assembly)	2008 January 02
<b>2. GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR TUITION EXPENSES (GATE) FUND</b>	
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	2007 December 10
<b>3. NATIONAL UNION OF GOVERNMENT AND FEDERATED WORKERS TRAINING FUND</b>	
Chief Personnel Officer	Not Received
<b>4. CARICOM TRADE SUPPORT FUND</b>	
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry	2008 January 31
<b>5. CARICOM PETROLEUM FUND</b>	
Ministry of Finance	2008 January 02
<b>6. GREEN FUND</b>	
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2008 January 30

#### **APPENDIX 4 (cont'd)**

### **7. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND**

Permanent Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister	2007 December 10
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance	2008 January 02
<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Planning and Development</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of National Security	2007 December 10
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of the Attorney General	2007 December 20
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	2008 January 31
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education	2008 January 16
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health	2007 December 10
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	2007 December 10
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Information	2007 December 20
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Tourism	2007 December 10
<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Housing</b>	<b>2008 March 06</b>
<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment</b>	<b>Not Received</b>
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	2008 January 16
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Works and Transport	2007 November 30
Permanent Secretary, Ministry Sport and Youth Affairs	2008 January 02
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry	2008 January 02
<b>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs</b>	<b>2008 February 01</b>

## APPENDIX 5

### Outstanding Commitments Reported as at 2007 September 30 (Paragraph 2.144 of the Report refers)

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS REPORTED \$
01	President	NIL
03	Judiciary	3,628,139.16
04	Industrial Court	25,315.00
05	Parliament	244,271.31
06	Service Commissions	74,037.00
07	Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	NIL
08	Elections and Boundaries Commission	471,474.00
09	Tax Appeal Board	NIL
11	Registration Recognition and Certification Board	NIL
12	Public Service Appeal Board	NIL
13	Office of the Prime Minister	NIL
15	Tobago House of Assembly	NIL
16	Central Administrative Services, Tobago	11,720.00
17	Personnel Department	1,000.00
18	<b>Ministry of Finance</b> <i>Consolidated</i> <i>Comptroller of Accounts</i> <i>Board of Inland Revenue/Valuation Division</i> <i>Comptroller of Customs and Excise</i>	NA 4,530,849.36 2,141,845.33 339,664.83
19	Charges on Account of the Public Debt	NA
20	Pensions and Gratuities	NA
21	<b>Ministry of Planning and Development</b> <i>General Administration</i> <i>Central Statistical Office</i>	146,819.13 76,615.50
22	Ministry of National Security	31,859,047.98
23	Ministry of the Attorney General	871,850.24
24	Ministry of Legal Affairs	340,535.00
25	Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	626,780.80
	Carried Forward	45,389,964.64

**APPENDIX 5 (cont'd)**

<b>HEAD OF EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS REPORTED \$</b>
	Brought Forward	45,389,964.64
26	Ministry of Education	7,362,827.00
28	Ministry of Health	1,837,820.60
30	Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	441,075.44
31	Ministry of Public Administration and Information	1,352,996.51
35	Ministry of Tourism	146,310.41
36	Ministry of Housing	121,747.50
37	Integrity Commission	84,018.00
38	Environmental Commission	NIL
39	Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	584,569.02
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	1,089,110.03
42	Ministry of Local Government	NR
43	Ministry of Works and Transport	3,742,144.10
46	Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	NIL
47	Ministry Foreign Affairs	NR
48	Ministry of Trade and Industry	1,014,685.24
54	Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	NR
55	Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	1,114,184.00
56	Ministry of Social Development	1,821,844.65
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66,103,297.14</b>

*Key:*

*NR – Not Received*

*NA – Not Applicable*

## APPENDIX 6

### Summary of Deposit Accounts in respect of which Reconciliation Statements and/or Analyses of Balances as at 2007 September 30 were not received (Paragraph 2.150 of the Report refers)

NAME OF MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	NO. OF ACCOUNTS
<b>Judiciary</b>	7
▪ <i>St Patrick East, Siparia</i>	4
▪ <i>St. Patrick, La Brea</i>	2
▪ <i>Caroni, Chaguanas</i>	4
▪ <i>Caroni, Couva</i>	4
▪ <i>Victoria , San Fernando</i>	4
▪ <i>Victoria, Princes Town</i>	4
▪ <i>St. George East, Tunapuna</i>	4
▪ <i>St. George West, Port of Spain</i>	4
▪ <i>St. George's West, Chaguaramas</i>	4
▪ <i>South Eastern Counties, Nariva/Mayaro</i>	4
▪ <i>South Eastern Counties, Mayaro/Rio Claro</i>	4
▪ <i>St. Andrew/St. David, Sangre Grande</i>	4
▪ <i>Tobago</i>	4
Parliament	1
Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	1
Elections and Boundaries Commission	4
Registration Recognition and Certification Board	1
Office of the Prime Minister	2
<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	
▪ <i>Inland Revenue</i>	1
▪ <i>Revenue Officer IV – Caroni/Chaguanas</i>	1
▪ <i>Revenue Officer IV – Tobago</i>	1
▪ <i>Customs and Excise</i>	6
▪ <i>Comptroller of Accounts</i>	1
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>76</b>

**APPENDIX 6 (Cont'd)**

NAME OF MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	NO. OF ACCOUNTS
<b>Brought Forward</b>	<b>76</b>
Personnel Department	1
<b>Ministry of Planning and Development</b>	
▪ <i>Central Statistical Office</i>	2
<b>Ministry of National Security</b>	4
▪ <i>Police</i>	4
▪ <i>Immigration</i>	2
▪ <i>Defence Force</i>	6
▪ <i>Prison</i>	2
Ministry of Legal Affairs	2
Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	11
Ministry of Education	17
Ministry of Health	17
Ministry of Labour, Small and Micro Enterprise Development	7
Ministry of Public Administration and Information	1
Ministry of Housing	3
Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	2
Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	6
Ministry of Local Government	7
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>170</b>



**APPENDIX 6 (cont'd)**

<b>NAME OF MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>NO. OF ACCOUNTS</b>
<b>Brought Forward</b>	<b>170</b>
Ministry of Works and Transport	7
Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	1
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	16
Ministry of Trade and Industry	1
Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	4
Ministry of Social Development	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>201</b>

## APPENDIX 7

### Particulars of Deposits that have not been transferred to revenue after three (3) years (Paragraph 2.151 of the Report refers)

<u>Ministry/Department</u>	<u>No. of Accounts</u>	<u>Amount \$</u>
<b>Judiciary</b>		
▪ <i>St George East – Arima</i>	2	10,598.67
<b>Ministry of Finance</b>		
▪ <i>Comptroller of Accounts</i>	6	24,559,800.06
Personnel Department	1	584.06
<b>Ministry of Planning and Development</b>		
• <i>Central Statistical Office</i>	1	49,670.96
Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	1	19,682.33
Public Administration and Information	1	226,143.62
Tourism	1	21,200.00
Public Utilities and the Environment	1	112,054.19
Works and Transport	1	120,615.83
Sport and Youth Affairs	2	501,564.70
Foreign Affairs	1	20,946.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25,642,860.72</b>

## APPENDIX 8

### Cases of Overpayments and Recoveries Reflected in the 2007 Appropriation Accounts (Paragraph 2.153 of the Report refers)

HEAD	MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	NO. OF CASES	AMOUNT OVERPAID \$	AMOUNT RECOVERED \$
01	President	2	2,520.00	2,520.00
03	Judiciary	38	75,569.27	74,469.27
04	Industrial Court	10	46,127.12	14,040.75
05	Parliament	53	29,748.77	26,366.08
06	Service Commissions	129	85,964.82	53,289.70
07	Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	1	1,392.00	900.00
08	Elections and Boundaries Commission	106	89,870.76	87,399.04
09	Tax Appeal Board	9	7,091.17	7,091.17
11	Registration Recognition and Certification Board	NIL	NIL	NIL
12	Public Service Appeal Board	NIL	NIL	NIL
13	Office of the Prime Minister	26	21,886.18	21,886.18
15	Tobago House of Assembly	NIL	NIL	NIL
16	Central Administrative Services, Tobago	16	7,931.06	7,931.06
17	Personnel Department	9	4,801.50	4,801.50
18	Ministry of Finance			
	- Inland Revenue Division and Valuation Division	140	156,827.38	126,135.05
	- Comptroller of Accounts	65	85,946.54	62,937.42
	- Customs and Excise Division	63	154,860.37	96,817.66
20	Pensions and Gratuities	NIL	NIL	NIL
21	Ministry of Planning and Development	36	157,989.54	72,994.78
22	Ministry of National Security			
	- Fire Service	254	201,766.94	160,617.63
	- Defence Force	120	1,227,026.69	329,652.01
	- Prison Service	4	20,199.23	20,199.23
	- General Administration	100	211,640.71	123,948.80
	- Immigration	6	10,373.13	8,591.20
	- Police Service	850	2,342,821.62	1,181,719.71
	- Forensic Science Centre	-	-	-
	Carried Forward	2,037	4,942,354.80	2,484,308.24

**APPENDIX 8 Cont'd.**

HEAD	MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT	NO. OF CASES	AMOUNT OVERPAID \$	AMOUNT RECOVERED \$
	Brought Forward	2,037	4,942,354.80	2,484,308.24
23	Ministry of the Attorney General	73	189,061.63	119,644.35
24	Ministry of Legal Affairs	211	162,705.08	156,770.23
25	Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	3	4,611.10	4,611.10
26	Ministry of Education	678	6,775,392.73	1,618,484.80
28	Ministry of Health	26	86,648.63	56,838.19
30	Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development	71	47,345.17	47,337.17
31	Ministry of Public Administration and Information	50	70,325.82	70,325.82
35	Ministry of Tourism	11	21,789.54	15,684.54
36	Ministry of Housing	31	18,593.35	17,625.60
37	Integrity Commission	2	47,682.28	47,682.28
38	Environmental Commission	7	12,305.37	12,305.37
39	Ministry of Public Utilities and the Environment	22	64,215.32	28,352.03
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	NIL	NIL	NIL
42	Ministry of Local Government	65	107,161.80	84,095.09
43	Ministry of Works and Transport	138	209,106.03	141,758.74
46	Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	2	283.00	283.00
47	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Not received	Not received	Not received
48	Ministry of Trade and Industry	32	21,289.95	16,258.62
54	Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	331	296,295.40	187,514.72
55	Ministry of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	41	61,020.49	59,226.49
56	Ministry of Social Development	16	58,854.79	35,331.14
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,847</b>	<b>13,197,042.28</b>	<b>5,204,437.52</b>

## **APPENDIX 9/1**

**Cases of Theft and Losses -More than \$5,000.00**  
**New cases reported and still outstanding as at 2007 September 30**  
**(Paragraph 2.154 of the Report refers)**

<b>MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>NO. OF CASES</b>	<b>AMOUNT \$</b>
Judiciary	1	16,728.00
Tobago House of Assembly	1	18,130.00
Finance		
▪ <i>General Administration</i>	1	23,817.00
▪ <i>Board of Inland Revenue</i>	1	7,669.00
National Security	6	482,650.00
Attorney General	2	24,495.00
Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	8	173,397.00
Education	17	1,955,234.57
Health	4	61,320.00
Public Administration and Information	1	7,500.00
Energy and Energy Industries	1	15,000.00
Local Government	4	239,569.00
Works and Transport	2	140,300.00
Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	2	125,190.00
Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs	2	132,400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b><u>3,423,399.57</u></b>

\* Includes loss of building and contents valued at \$1.5m in respect of Early Childhood Centre at Bloody Bay Road, Roxborough, Tobago which was damaged by fire.

\*\* Includes Government property destroyed by fire valued at \$200,000.00.

**APPENDIX 9/2**

**Cases of Theft and Losses - Less than or equal to \$5,000.00**  
**New cases reported and still outstanding as at 2007 September 30**  
**(Paragraph 2.154 of this Report refers)**

<b>MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>NO. OF CASES</b>	<b>AMOUNT \$</b>
Office of the Prime Minister	1	1,725.35
Tobago House of Assembly	3	4,729.19
Integrated Planning and Development	1	3,000.00
National Security	11	13,841. 70
Attorney General	1	300.00
Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources	9	8,865.00
Education	33	41,658.28
Health	9	4,832.00
Public Administration and Information	2	1,055.00
Tourism	2	3,672.70
Public Utilities and the Environment	3	9,630.00
Local Government	3	2,456.00
Works and Transport	3	12,172.00
Science, Technology and Tertiary Education	1	1,100.00
Social Development	4	5,053.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>114,091.07</b>

## **APPENDIX 10**

**Schedule showing differences in excess of \$200,000.00 between revenue collected as reflected in the Statement of Revenue and the respective Statements of Receipts and Disbursements  
(Paragraph 3.06 of the Report refers)**

<b>Receiver of Revenue</b>	<b>Statement of Revenue \$</b>	<b>Statement of Receipts and Disbursements \$</b>	<b>Difference \$</b>
<b>Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources</b>			
Commissioner of State Lands – AL3	15,214,198.50	8,413,306.80	6,800,891.70
<b>Ministry of Finance</b>			
Comptroller of Accounts – FN1	3,111,815,013.75	3,111,591,125.00	223,888.75
Chairman, Board of Inland Revenue – FN2	31,393,631,909.88	35,324,953,725.36	3,931,321,815.48
Comptroller of Customs and Excise – FN3	2,682,280,718.23	2,683,929,070.88	1,648,352.65
<b>Ministry of Health</b>			
Permanent Secretary – HE1	2,453,595.69	2,055,169.27	398,426.42
<b>Ministry of Public Utilities</b>			
Permanent Secretary – PU1	108,825,181.29	132,903,537.60	24,078,356.31
<b>Ministry of Works and Transport</b>			
Transport Commissioner – WT2	63,191,292.82	63,883,213.36	691,920.54

## **APPENDIX 11**

### **Revenue Items for which Return of Arrears of Revenue as at 2007 September 30 were not received (Paragraph 3.23 of the Report refers)**

<b>Receiver of Revenue</b>	<b>Head/ Sub Head</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>No. of Items</b>
Chief Elections Officer Elections and Boundaries Commission – EB1	07/04	001-004	4
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries – EN1	03/06 06/03 06/06 07/01 07/04 07/06	001,003,011-012 001-003 001 002,004,006,010,013 001 001	15
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs - FA1	07/01 07/06	002 001	2
Chairman Board of Inland Revenue Ministry of Finance – FN2	03/05 03/06 07/01	001,003 004,006,020 002	6
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Housing – HS1	06/06 08/03	003 003	2
Registrar Industrial Court - IC1	07/02 07/04	001 001	2
Chief Magistrate Judiciary – Magistracy – JM1	03/04 03/06 07/01 07/02 07/06	001-002 002-010 001-004 001,003-005 001	20
Registrar Judiciary – Supreme Court – JS1	03/06 07/01 07/02 07/04	001 001-004 001-002 001	8
Registrar General Ministry of Legal Affairs – LA1	07/01	002-004	3
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Legal Affairs – LA3	07/01	001-002	2
Permanent Secretary Ministry of National Security – NS1	07/04	001	1
Director Property and Real Estate Management Services Ministry of Public Administration and Information – PA3	06/01 06/06 09/02	001-003 001 001-002	6
Director of Statistics Ministry of Planning and Development – PD 1	07/01	001-002	2



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<b>Receiver of Revenue</b>	<b>Head/ Sub Head</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>No. of Items</b>
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Trade and Industry – TR 1	03/03 03/06 06/01	001,003 001-002 001	5
Permanent Secretary Ministry of Works and Transport – WT1	03/06	001	1
<b>TOTAL ITEMS</b>			<b>79</b>

