

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Housing Minister rebukes murders at Harpe Place**

Minister of Housing and Urban Development Camille Robinson-Regis has condemned the brazen shooting and subsequent murders at the Harpe Place Development in Port of Spain on Saturday, March 16, 2024. The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (HDC) understands that three people were murdered at the Development, while two others succumbed to their injuries at the Hospital.

Mrs. Robinson-Regis says the HDC strives to provide affordable living, and safe, communal living spaces for all of its residents. As such, she strongly rebuked such acts of violence in the capital city. She said the HDC encourages all residents to live in peace, and endeavours to create a place of comfort for all. She said no resident should feel unsafe or held ransomed in their own homes. Minister Robinson-Regis reiterated that such attacks will not be condoned or tolerated.

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) is actively searching for the suspects and will continue investigating this matter. The HDC stands ready to assist the TTPS to ensure those guilty of this crime are brought to justice.

Chairman of the HDC Noel Garcia chastised the act and called for peace within the City of Port of Spain and, by extension, the country. Managing Director of the HDC Jayselle McFarlane shared similar sentiments and reflected on the long-term trauma effects this can have on those who witnessed the assault.

The HDC extends condolences to the families who lost loved ones and wishes a speedy recovery to those who were injured during the attack.

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