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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# **MINISTER OF FOREIGN AND CARICOM AFFAIRS ENGAGES THE AMBASSADOR OF MEXICO FOR COVID-19 VACCINES**

### **PORT OF SPAIN: 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021**

Senator the Honourable Dr. Amery Browne, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs, held discussions with Her Excellency Rosario Asela Molinero Molinero, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United Mexican States to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 to advocate for Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean Community to be considered among the countries with which Mexico decides to share COVID-19 vaccines.

This conversation comes on the heels of the announcement made earlier this week by the Foreign Minister of Mexico regarding the intention to share COVID-19 vaccines with other countries, which Minister Browne welcomed as a signal of hope to small countries that have been excluded from obtaining vaccines because of the large orders placed by bigger countries with resources to make such purchases. Both parties acknowledged that Trinidad and Tobago and Mexico share the view that the equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines is critical to managing the spread of the virus and revitalising their respective economies.

Ambassador Molinero Molinero committed to advocating on Trinidad and Tobago and CARICOM's behalf with regard to the Mexican Government's vaccine initiative and the Honourable Minister expressed his appreciation the opportunity and the Government of Mexico's support in general for COVID-19 related assistance to the Latin American and Caribbean region, particularly for ventilators donated to Trinidad and Tobago, two of which arrived earlier this year and two of which are expected to arrive next week.

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Senator the Honourable Dr. Amery Browne discussing COVID-19 Vaccines from Mexico with Her Excellency Rosario Asela Molinero Molinero, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United Mexican States, to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

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