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RECEIVERS OF GOVERNMENT REVENUE GET AML/CFT FIU TRAINING

The Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago (“the FIU”) recently hosted an Anti-Money Laundering/Combating the Financing of Terrorism Awareness Session for over 54 Receivers of Government Revenue, Permanent Secretaries and other Senior Officers in the Public Service. The session was held in the NALIS AV Room, Port of Spain. The FIU sought to sensitise these Senior Government Officers about the Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism risks associated with the collection of revenue, in making payments to providers of goods and services and entry into contracts on behalf of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago.

The discussions identified 2 recommendations to be implemented:

1. To establish cash thresholds for revenue collection at Government offices and;
2. To implement effective customer due diligence in the award of Government contracts.

Participants included Mr. Vishnu Dhanpaul, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance and the Economy, Ms. Joan Mendez, Permanent Secretary in the Office of the Prime Minister, Mr. Ammar Samaroo, Comptroller of Customs and Excise Division and other Senior Government Officers.

The session was well received by participants.

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Caption: Participants who attended the Financial Intelligence Unit's, Anti-Money Laundering/Counter Financing of Terrorism Awareness Session for Receivers of Government Revenue, on June 23rd, 2015, in Port of Spain.