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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## ERRONEOUS AND MISLEADING EXPRESS ARTICLE ON THE 2021 BUDGET

The Minister of Finance, the Honourable Colm Imbert, M.P., has taken note of a grossly inaccurate article in today's *Trinidad Express* headlined *"Imbert – Brace for Covid-19 Budget".* 

The Minister wishes to advise that at no time did he utter those words or even convey the impression to anyone that the population should *"brace"* themselves for the fiscal measures in the 2021 Budget.

The Minister has also had no communication of any kind whatsoever with anyone at the Express on the 2021 Budget.

The article in question also contains the uninformed and irrelevant views of a commentator who is not connected to the Government in any way and the views expressed by that commentator should not be assumed at any time to be indicative of Government policy in any form or fashion.

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