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United Nation Security Council (UNSC) Seat a “Momentous Achievement”

Finance Minister, The Honourable Davendranath Tancoo, described Trinidad and Tobago’s election to the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) as “a momentous achievement which will strengthen our international profile and boost foreign direct investment”.

He congratulated Prime Minister, Kamla Persad Bissessar for personally driving the ambitious campaign to gain a seat on the UNSC, and achieving this in record time since being launched in September 2025.

The appointment to the UN Security Council for the 2027-2028 term was obtained yesterday (June 2nd, 2026) with overwhelming support, as this country secured 181 votes from 192 countries.

“This achievement could not have occurred at a more opportune time. It comes on the heels of Trinidad and Tobago being removed from the EU list of non-compliant tax jurisdictions and amounts to further testament of our global strength,” the Finance Minister said.

“It was a personal mission of the Prime Minister to secure our appointment to the UN Security Council, one which she pursued with rigour and passion, beginning with her participation at the United Nations (UN) General Assembly in New York in 2025; She deserves the applause of every Trinidadian and Tobagonian at home and in the diaspora. The UNSC seat makes T&T an even more attractive destination for international investment as this country undertakes its economic transformation”, Minister Tancoo added.

He further stated, “we already have considerable interest in opportunities in our energy, agriculture, tourism and economic revitalisation projects, and this positions us for heightened international investment. This latest development aligns with and accelerates our pursuit of stability, growth and sustainable development. This is how we restore credibility, regain confidence and return Trinidad and Tobago to leadership status among international nations”, Minister Tancoo said.

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