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OFFICE OF THE CONTRACTOR GENERAL SENIOR OFFICERS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMONWEALTH ANTI-CORRUPTION TRAINING PROGRAMME IN SINGAPORE

Kingston, January 27, 2009 – Two senior officers of the Office of the Contractor General (OCG) are among several senior Commonwealth anti-corruption regulatory officials who have been selected to participate in a 2-week Anti-Corruption Management and Governance Training Programme in Singapore.

The Training Programme, which runs from February 9 to 20, 2009, is being jointly sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Government of Singapore.

The Programme was developed to provide an opportunity for senior anti-corruption regulators, throughout the Commonwealth, to gain a deeper understanding of anti-corruption issues and to assist in the design and implementation of specific strategies to reduce corruption within their own countries.

Programme participants will share in the Commonwealth's anti-corruption best practice strategies and in Singapore's experience of better governance, particularly as it pertains to transparency in governance and stemming corruption.

The two OCG officers who have been selected to attend the Programme are Mr. Craig Beresford, the OCG's Director of Non-Construction Contracts, Permits and Licences and Ms. Latoya Harris, the OCG's Special Investigator.

Mr. Beresford and Ms. Harris, who were specially recommended to the Commonwealth Secretariat by Contractor General, Greg Christie, will be the only Programme participants from Jamaica.

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