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**THE JADCO DECENNIAL GALA**

**JULY 25, 2018**

**THE TERRA NOVA ALL-SUITE HOTEL, KINGSTON, JAMAICA**

THE HONOURABLE ALANDO TERRELONGE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY  
OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT

THE PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER,  
ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT, MR. DENZIL THORPE

MAJOR GENERAL ANTONY ANDERSON, COMMISSONER OF POLICE

HONOURABLE STEADMAN FULLER, CUSTOS ROTULORUM FOR THE PARISH OF  
KINGSTON

MS. INA HUNTER, HEAD OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

MR. ALEXANDER WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN JADCO

MEMBERS OF THE JADCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JADCO THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTION COMMITTEE

MEMBERS OF THE INDEPENDENT ANTI-DOPING DISCIPLINARY PANEL

MEMBERS OF THE ANTI-DOPING APPEAL TRIBUNAL

ATHLETES

ATHLETE SUPPORT PERSONNEL

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA

TEAM MEMBERS FROM JADCO AND ALL OUR PARTNER AGENCIES

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOOD EVENING AND WELCOME TO THE JADCO DECENNIAL GALA.

ONE SPIRITUAL LEADER SASKYA PANDITA ONCE SAID AND I QUOTE,

“WHEN MANY WORK TOGETHER FOR A GOAL, GREAT THINGS MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED.”

THIS IS ILLUSTRATED BY A STORY WHERE A LION CUB WAS KILLED BY A SINGLE COLONY OF ANTS. HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED A GROUP OF ANTS AT WORK? IF YOU HAVE, THEN I AM SURE THAT YOU WILL AGREE THAT WE CAN LEARN FROM THEIR DISCIPLINE AND PLANNING, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, THEIR TEAM WORK. THE TENACITY AND GRIT BEHIND A COLONY OF ANTS HIGHLIGHTS THE EPITOME OF GREAT PARTNERSHIP. JADCO IS EMBARKING ON A DIFFERENT PATH TO STRENGTHEN THE PARTNERSHIPS THAT ALREADY EXIST AND YOUR PRESENCE HERE SHOWS JUST HOW IMPORTANT THE WORK OF THE JAMAICA ANTI-DOPING COMMISSION (JADCO) IS TO YOU ALL.

THE JAMAICA ANTI-DOPING COMMISSION WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA IN 2008 TO EXECUTE THE NATIONAL ANTI-DOPING PROGRAMME, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS STIPULATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNING BODY, THE WORLD ANTI-DOPING AGENCY (WADA). JADCO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT ALL ATHLETES COMPLY WITH THE WORLD ANTI-DOPING CODE, WHICH IS THE DOCUMENT THAT HARMONISES

REGULATIONS REGARDING ANTI-DOPING ACROSS ALL SPORT AND ALL COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

THE MAIN FUNCTIONS OF JADCO INCLUDE THE DETERRENCE OF DOPING THROUGH COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION INITIATIVES, THE DETECTION OF DOPING THROUGH TESTING ACTIVITIES AND INVESTIGATIONS AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANTI-DOPING RULES, BY PRESENTING CASES OF POSSIBLE ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATIONS (ADRVs) TO THE INDEPENDENT ANTI-DOPING DISCIPLINARY PANEL.

AS YOU WILL AGREE, WHEN OUR MANDATE EVOLVES THERE MUST BE CHANGES. IF WE REMAIN STATIC WE WILL BECOME DINOSAURS, SO CHANGE IS INEVITABLE.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE ONCE SAID,

“A SMALL CHEER AND A GREAT WELCOME MAKES A MERRY FEAST.”

ON THAT NOTE, I WANT TO GIVE A SPECIAL WELCOME TO:

- THE HONOURABLE ALANDO TERRELONGE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT WHO IS HERE IN HIS OWN RIGHT AND ALSO REPRESENTING THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT WHO IS UNAVOIDABLY ABSENT.
- MR. DENZIL THORPE, THE PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT.
- THE HONOURABLE STEADMAN FULLER, CUSTOS ROTULORUM FOR THE PARISH OF KINGSTON, YOU SAW IT FIT TO SHARE IN THIS MEMORABLE OCCASION.

## **SPECIAL INVITED GUESTS**

- MAJOR GENERAL ANTONY ANDERSON, THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.
- MY GOOD FRIEND MS. INA HUNTER, FROM CORRECTIONAL SERVICES.
- MR. ALEXANDER WILLIAMS, THE CHAIRMAN OF JADCO AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND THEIR PARTNERS.
- DR. WARREN BLAKE, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA ATHLETICS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATION (JAAA).
- MR. LAUREL SMITH, DIRECTOR AT THE JAMAICA OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION (JOA) WHO IS HERE IN HIS OWN RIGHT AND ALSO REPRESENTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION (JOA).
- DR. KEVIN JONES, CHAIRMAN OF THE JADCO THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTION COMMITTEE AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.
- MEMBERS OF THE INDEPENDENT ANTI-DOPING DISCIPLINARY PANEL.
- MEMBERS OF THE ANTI-DOPING APPEAL TRIBUNAL.

## **OTHER AGENCIES REPRESENTED HERE:**

- MS GIULIANA NEUMANN AND MR KAREL BOERS, OUR LONG STANDING PARTNERS FROM UNESCO.
- DR. ELON THOMPSON, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA MEDICAL DOCTORS' ASSOCIATION AND HIS SECRETARY.
- DR. RADCLIFFE GOULBOURNE, REGISTRAR AT THE PHARMACY COUNCIL OF JAMAICA.

- DR. ZOE SIMPSON, THE WOMEN’S CENTRE OF JAMAICA FOUNDATION.
- MR. LINCOLN ALLEN, CEO OF THE CANNABIS LICENSING AUTHORITY.
- MR. SHANE DALLING, CEO AT THE FIREARM LICENSING AUTHORITY.
- MS. BEVERLEY LASHLEY, CEO OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF JAMAICA.
- MR. KEITH CAMPBELL, CEO AT THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF JAMAICA.
- MR. HOWARD DAWKINS, THE INSTITUTE OF JAMAICA.
- MRS. SHARON COBURN ROBINSON, DIRECTOR AT THE BUREAU OF GENDER AFFAIRS.
- DR. RACHEAL IRVING, RESEARCHER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES.
- MS. ELIZABETH SMITH, DIRECTOR AT THE JAMAICA CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.
- MS. DENISE DACRES REEVE, NURSE OF THE YEAR, NURSES ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICA.

**TO OUR FEDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS:**

- MR. MICHAEL RICKETTS, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA FOOTBALL FEDERATION, A VERY BUSY MAN BUT HE IS HERE WITH US TONIGHT.
- MEMBERS OF THE NETBALL ASSOCIATION.
- MEMBERS OF THE JAMAICA AMATEUR BODYBUILDING AND FITNESS ASSOCIATION
- MEMBERS OF THE JAMAICA CYCLING FEDERATION
- MEMBERS OF THE JAMAICA RIFLE ASSOCIATION

- MEMBERS OF JAMAICA DARTS ASSOCIATION
- MEMBERS OF JAMAICA PARALYMPIC ASSOCIATION
- MEMBERS OF JAMAICA BADMINTON ASSOCIATION.
- MEMBERS OF THE JAMAICA HOCKEY FEDERATION
- MEMBERS OF TENNIS JAMAICA
- MEMBERS OF TABLE TENNIS JAMAICA
- TO OUR ATHLETES, I WANT TO WELCOME ALL WHO CONTINUE TO EXCEL BOTH LOCALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY.
- WELCOME TO MY FRIENDS IN THE MEDIA IT IS ALWAYS GOOD TO HAVE YOUR PRESENCE.
- JADCO STAFF MEMBERS, DOPING CONTROL OFFICERS AND CHAPERONES.
- MR. DANVILLE DAVIDSON, OUR FORMER MINISTER OF JUSTICE.
- MS. DOROTHY LIGHTBOURNE, FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL.
- LAST BUT NOT LEAST, MY FAMILY AND CLOSE FRIENDS, RETIRED ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, GRANVILLE GAUSE, OTHER DISTINGUISHED LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE WELCOME YOU TO THIS MEMORABLE OCCASION. THE FIRST FOR JADCO.

IN RECOGNITION OF OUR 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY, WE WILL BE HOSTING SEVERAL COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, UNDER THE THEME, ***“KEEPING SPORT CLEAN, FORGING BETTER PARTNERSHIPS.”***

OUR COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES BEGAN ON SUNDAY, JULY 22, 2018 WITH OUR DECENNIAL CHURCH SERVICE AT THE SAINT ANDREW’S SCOTS KIRK UNITED

CHURCH. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO CAME OUT TO SUPPORT US AT THAT EVENT.

OVER THE PAST DECADE, JADCO HAS BEEN FORGING MANY PARTNERSHIPS AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO IMPROVING THEM, HENCE OUR THEME, "**KEEPING SPORT CLEAN, FORGING BETTER PARTNERSHIPS.**" THIS ONLY MEANS THAT THERE IS ALWAYS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT AND WE WILL STRIVE TO FORGE BETTER PARTNERSHIPS AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

AS JADCO CONTINUES TO PLAY ITS PART IN KEEPING SPORT CLEAN, WE INVITE YOU ALL TO PARTNER WITH US TO MAKE THE NEXT TEN YEARS BETTER THAN THE TEN BEFORE. AS DICTATED IN THE BOOK OF JOB "YOUR LATTER SHALL BE GREATER THAN YOUR FORMER."

ATHLETES AND ATHLETE SUPPORT PERSONNEL, YOUR PRESENCE HERE SIGNIFIES A NEW BEGINNING AS WE FORGE PARTNERSHIPS WITH ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND FRIENDS. I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU, SO FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO US AND LET US KNOW HOW BEST WE CAN IMPROVE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE COMMISSION. LET US WORK TOGETHER LIKE THE ANTS AND FORGE STRONG PARTNERSHIPS. AGAIN, WELCOME AND MAY ALL OF YOU WHO ARRIVED AS GUESTS, LEAVE AS FRIENDS. I HOPE YOU WILL HAVE A MEMORABLE EVENING. THANK YOU.