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The Editor
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Dear Sir:

In your newspaper's front page article of Sunday, July 23, 2006, which is entitled "Golding 'perplexed' by C-G's report on Sandals Whitehouse", you have inaccurately reported that "... Mr. Golding wrote Friday to the Contractor General, thanking him for a copy of the (Sandals Whitehouse) Report sent to him on July 12 ...".

As the Leader of the Opposition himself will confirm, this is not true as at no time did he receive a copy of the Sandals Whitehouse Report from me. Had I acted as you have reported above, I would have committed a criminal act under the provisions of the Contractor General Act.

What the Leader of the Opposition did state in his letter to me of Friday, July 21, 2006 was as follows:

"You were kind enough to send me a copy of your letter dated July 12th addressed to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which accompanied the report of your investigation into the Sandals Whitehouse Project".

In so far as this statement is concerned, you may also wish to note that I have since written to Mr. Golding to advise him that my letter of July 12, 2006, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, was not, as he has mistakenly claimed, copied or directed by me to him or to any other person or authority.

I have absolutely no doubt that the error in your report of July 23 was inadvertently made. I am also sure, however, that you will agree that the preservation of the integrity of the Office of the Contractor General and myself would be seriously prejudiced if the foregoing is not brought promptly to the attention of the readers of your newspaper.

Please accept my gratitude.

Very respectfully yours,

Greg Christie (Signed)

Greg Christie
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Copy: Mr. Bruce Golding, Leader of the Opposition