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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **OFFICE OF THE CONTRACTOR-GENERAL RESPONDS TO CHALLENGES MADE TO ITS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY FORMER CTL BOARD AND FORMER CTL BOARD CHAIRMAN, THE HON. PATRICK ROUSSEAU – RE-AFFIRMS FINDINGS OF REPORT**

**Kingston; March 12, 2009** - The Office of the Contractor-General (OCG) has completed its review of the two letters, dated February 19 and 26, 2009, respectively, which were written by the former Members of the Board of Directors of Caymanas Track Limited (CTL), and the former Chairman of the Board of CTL, the Hon. Patrick Rousseau, OJ.

The letters were written in response to the OCG's *Report of Investigation Conducted into the Allegations of Irregularity Surrounding an Alleged Proposal by SportsMax Limited to Supply Satellite Services for Simulcast Racing from South Africa and the United Kingdom to Caymanas Track Limited.*

Statements in both letters had questioned the credibility of the OCG's 187-page Report of Investigation, while others had sought to challenge the OCG's understanding of the relevant facts of the matter. Mr. Rousseau, in his letter, which was released to certain sections of the Media, had also erroneously asserted that the Contractor General had "*abused or exceeded his jurisdiction in several respects*" and that he is therefore "*not a fit and proper person to hold the office of the Contractor-General*".



The OCG has prepared and submitted a comprehensive 28 page Letter of Response to the material charges and assertions which have been levied against it and its Report of Investigation. The OCG, in its response, has refuted all of the said charges and assertions as being either misleading, erroneous, misguided and/or unfounded, and has fully substantiated its stated positions.

The OCG's Letter of Response, dated March 11, 2009, was formally despatched yesterday to all of the State Authorities to whom the OCG's Report of Investigation was initially submitted. The Letter of Response was also copied to the former Members of the CTL Board of Directors, inclusive of Mr. Rousseau. The OCG's Letter of Response can be viewed on the OCG's website at [http://www.ocg.gov.jm/ocg/ctl\\_investigation.php](http://www.ocg.gov.jm/ocg/ctl_investigation.php)

As was stated in its earlier Media Release of March 4, 2009, the OCG has always stood, and continues to stand, firmly and unconditionally behind each and every one of the Findings, Conclusions, Recommendations and Referrals that are set out in the referenced Report of Investigation.

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