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Integrity Commission Corrects Media Stories on the Subject of Parliamentarians Referred for Illicit Enrichment

July 10, 2024 – The Integrity Commission wishes to correct inaccuracies that have been reported in the Media, regarding Parliamentarians who have been referred for Illicit Enrichment.

In its 6th Annual Report for 2023-2024, which was tabled in the Parliament yesterday, the Commission’s Information and Complaints Division, under the heading “Referrals” on page 32 of the Report, reported that “2 Parliamentarians” were referred for Illicit Enrichment.

The Commission wishes to emphasize that the “Referrals” stated were made during the 2023-2024 Reporting Year. They have absolutely no bearing whatsoever on any Referrals that were made in the previous 2022-2023 Reporting Year, when 6 Parliamentarians were referred for Illicit Enrichment.

When the 2 Reporting Periods are taken together, this therefore means that an aggregate of 8 Parliamentarians have been referred to the Commission’s Investigation Division for Illicit Enrichment over the period April 2022 to March 2024.

The Integrity Commission has made no comment on the status of any investigation that may be related to any specific Illicit Enrichment Referral. It has no power in law to do so.

Media Reports which have concluded that the ‘Illicit 6 is now down to 2’ (Jamaica Gleaner; July 10, 2024), or that ‘only two Parliamentarians are now under investigation for Illicit Enrichment’ (Nationwide90FM; July 9, 2024), are therefore patently inaccurate, misguided and without any foundation whatsoever in fact or in law.

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