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Statement of the Chairman and Commissioners of the Integrity Commission

On Thursday, September 5, 2024, the Integrity Commission submitted an Investigation Report, Ruling and Special Report to Parliament. That Report, Ruling and Special Report have not yet been tabled. Since the submission to Parliament, there has, however, been extensive public commentary in relation to the purported contents of the Report and Ruling.

The Integrity Commission wishes to remind the public, including media houses, that it is a breach of Section 53 (3) of the Integrity Commission Act to report or make any public statement on an un-tabled Investigation Report. Section 53 (3) reads as follows:

"Until the tabling in Parliament of a report under section 36, all matters under investigation by the Director of Investigation or any other person involved in such an investigation shall be kept confidential and no report or public statement shall be made by the Commission or any other person in relation to the initiation or conduct of an investigation under this Act."

The Integrity Commission is committed to fair and accurate reporting of facts and has no agenda to suit any individual or entity. Accordingly, it has not divulged and will never, in any way, divulge information that is contrary to the requirements of the law.

The Integrity Commission is committed to transparency, Jamaica and the Rule of Law. It, therefore, urges the public to await Parliament's tabling of all Reports, inclusive of the Report in question. When the Commission's Reports are tabled, it is hoped that they will be read and digested in their entirety.

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