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Media Statement from the Chairman of the Integrity Commission

November 3, 2021 – The following is a Statement from the Chairman of the Integrity Commission, the Hon. Mr. Justice (Ret'd) Seymour Panton, OJ, CD., concerning a statement that was reportedly made in the House of Representatives on Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

“STATEMENT RE ANNOUNCEMENT IN PARLIAMENT

Yesterday, it was announced in the House of Representatives that the Integrity Commission was conducting a probe in a specified matter. Since then, there have been queries as to the accuracy or otherwise of the statement.

The Integrity Commission wishes to remind the public that Section 53 (3) of the Integrity Commission Act forbids “**the Commission or any other person**” from making a report or public statement in relation to the initiation or conduct of an investigation until the tabling in Parliament of a report.

This means that neither the Commission nor any other person can publicly confirm or deny the initiation or conduct of an investigation until a report has been tabled in Parliament.

The term “any other person” applies to and includes Parliamentarians.

No such report has been tabled.

Seymour Panton
Chairman, Integrity Commission”

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