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Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Hon. Ken Baugh

Hon. Ken Baugh to address Consular Corps of Jamaica Meeting.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Hon. Ken Baugh, will be the keynote speaker at the Consular Corps of Jamaica's monthly general meeting on 25th February, 2011 at the Pegasus Hotel, 4.30pm.

re-establishing Kingston as another tourist destination.

The members of the Diplomatic Corps will be special guests at the meeting and there will be a cocktail reception afterwards.

Included on the agenda with other matters will be the International Trade Expo 2011. The main objectives of the CCJ's annual International Trade Expo are to develop international cooperation through trade, and to assist in

The Minister congratulated the new Board of Directors and assured them of his full support of the Consular Corps of Jamaica.

Dean of the Diplomatic Corps Congratulates the Consular Corps of Jamaica



Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, H. E. Noel Martinez-Ochoa, Ambassador of Venezuela

with the Dean of the Consular Corps of Jamaica, The Hon. Arnold Foote, at the Venezuelan Embassy, was given an update of the new programmes of the Consular Corps of Jamaica.

the promotion of commercial links with these countries and Jamaica is of vital importance.

These programmes included the International Trade Expo 2011, the International Cultural Gala 2011 and the Consular Corps of Jamaica's Anniversary Programme.

The CCJ's International Trade Expo is the only expo in the world where the Sending State deals directly with the Receiving State.

In his presentation, Dean Arnold Foote stated that the International Trade Expo creates an environment for the countries with diplomatic representation in Jamaica to develop trade with Jamaican companies and to display products that their countries manufacture for export.

Our expo offers countries an excellent opportunity to do business without having to deal with large participation costs.

The Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, H.E. Noel Martinez-Ochoa, Ambassador of Venezuela, in a meeting held recently

There are 147 countries with diplomatic representation in Jamaica and our participation in

The Dean of the Diplomatic Corps congratulated and welcomed the new Directors of the Consular Corps of Jamaica. He praised the programmes of the CCJ as being beneficial to both the Sending and Receiving States, and assured the Dean of the Consular Corps of Jamaica of his full support.

Ambassadors endorse International Trade Expo - Consular Corps praised for initiative

In their presentations at the International Trade Expo 2005 press conference, several Ambassadors gave their support to the Consular Corps of Jamaica International Trade Expo. Excerpts of their remarks are printed below.



Ambassador of Brazil, His Excellency Cezar Amaral

The Consular Corps of Jamaica under the leadership of the Hon. Arnold Foote has organised a very important trade fair. Last year, my country participated in the fair in Jamaica for the first time. It was not easy to convince my government. But the results were excellent.

In the first three months of this year, our exports to Jamaica climbed to \$35 million, a 91 percent increase. So it was not at all difficult for me to ask to repeat the participation. It was immediately given. What is good for Brazil is good for Jamaica, because the prices are lower and Jamaica will save money. That is the role of trade.

My congratulations for the excellent performance of Arnold Foote and the Consular Corps of Jamaica.



Ambassador of Chile, His Excellency Alfonso Silva

I have been posted in diplomatic services for 30 years. Never in my experience have I seen an effort like the one that is made year after year for the International Trade Expo that Mr Foote and the Consular Corps organises in Jamaica. It is an effort that has enabled us to foster relationships, co-operation and trade.

We gladly support the effort of the Consular Corps of Jamaica in linking with our country in order to provide the basket of services and goods that will be presented to the Jamaican public. We thank the Dean for the effort and we are proud to be at the Expo this year.



Ambassador of Colombia, H.E. Dr. Kent Francis-James

Columbia

Ambassador of Colombia, H.E. Dr. Kent Francis-James in his address said:

Kingston has the potential to be the capital of the Caribbean again, as in 17th and 18th centuries, and the Consular Corps Trade Expo is giving back to Kingston a part of the attention that this centre of culture and commerce deserves and that should also be a centre of tourism for Jamaica. Colombia entails again to this noble purpose that interconnect us with all the countries in both commercial and cultural matters and especially with Jamaica. We augur greater successes than in previous years to the Expo 2006.



The Governor General of Jamaica, The Most Honorable Kenneth Hall, presents the G.G.'s trophy to the South African High Commissioner, Her Excellency Faith Radebe.

South Africa

High Commissioner of South Africa, H.E. Advocate Faith Radebe in her address said:

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Senator the Hon. Anthony Hylton, Dean of the Consular Corps, Mr. Arnold Foote, Deputy Dean of the Consular Corps, Executive Members of the Consular Corps, Members of the Consular Corps, Members of the Diplomatic Corps, Government Officials, Representative of the Government of Jamaica, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the South African High Commission's support to the launch of the International

Trade Expo in Jamaica on 8th, 9th and 10th October 2006.

Last year the South African High Commission participated in the International Trade Expo and we had an exciting experience. I would like to assure the Dean of the Consular Corps that the South African High Commission is ready to participate in a greater manner in 2006.

It is a fact that the International Trade Expo will create international trade links on import and export. It will also create an international commercial link between Jamaica and the rest of the world, including bilateral and multilateral trade opportunities between Jamaica and the international business sector.

Please allow me, Dean of the Consular Corps, to thank you for the past three successful International Trade Expos held in Jamaica, and on behalf of the South African High Commission I wish you success in your endeavours.

Thank you.

Minister of Culture of Jamaica, lauds the re-start of CCJ's International Cultural Gala 2011

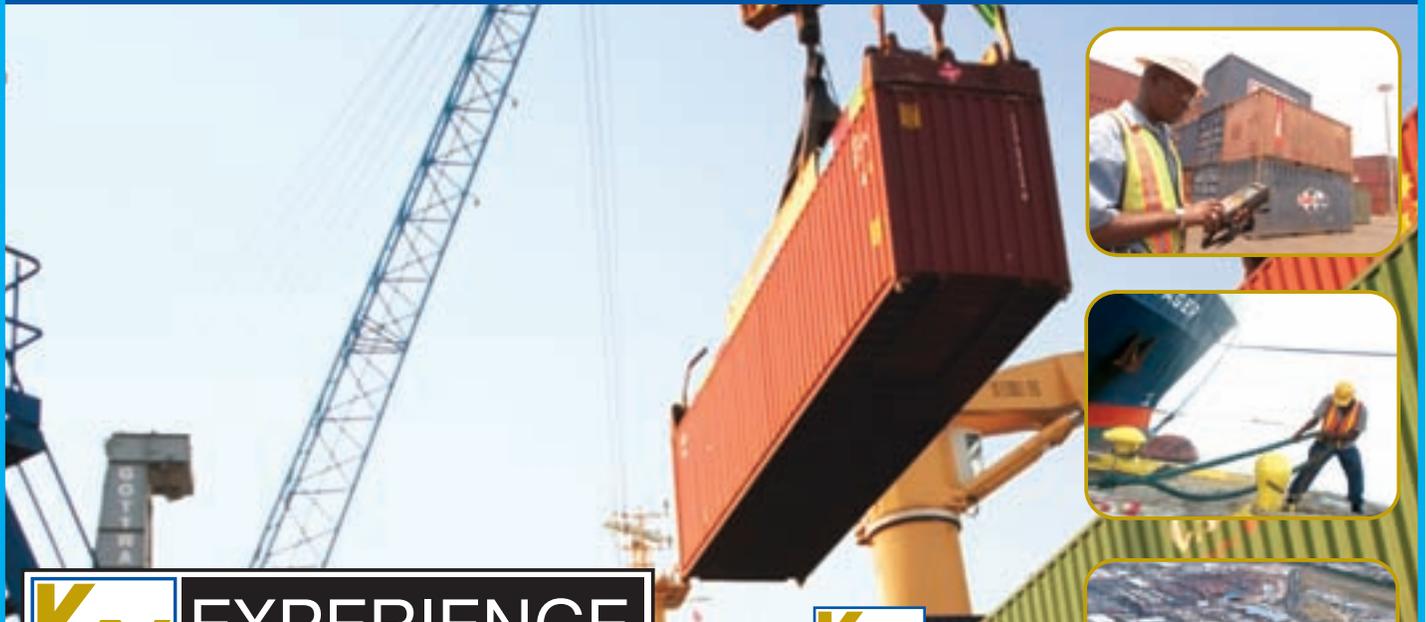


Minister of Culture, Hon. Olivia Grange

The Consular Corps of Jamaica, for several years, staged the International Cultural Gala at Emancipation Park. The show was a hit as thousands of Jamaicans turned out to sample the music and cultures of the countries with diplomatic relations with Jamaica.

Hon. Olivia Grange has given her full support to this annual event and will be meeting with the Directors of the Consular Corps of Jamaica to develop the programme further.

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