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**Minister in the Ministry and Blind Welfare Association Discuss
Housing Allocation**

Port-of-Spain – Today, Senator the Honourable Phillip Alexander, Minister in the Ministry of Housing, met with representatives from the Trinidad and Tobago Blind Welfare Association (TTBWA) to discuss matters related to the allocation of Government housing units to members of the visually impaired community.

Led by the Association's Executive Officer, Mr. Kenneth Suratt, TTBWA's delegation outlined several pressing concerns faced by the organisation's members. These include access to affordable housing units, appropriate accommodation based on their mobility and accessibility needs, and the inclusion of the visually impaired in ongoing national housing programmes.

Minister Alexander outlined the Ministry's housing policy and reaffirmed the Ministry's unwavering commitment to inclusivity in the delivery of its housing mandate, particularly for vulnerable and marginalised groups such as persons with disabilities.

This engagement, forms part of a broader commitment by the Ministry to engage with civil society organisations to better tailor the housing and programmes, to meet the needs of the nation's diverse population.

The Ministry of Housing looks forward to continuing its dialogue with the TTBWA and other advocacy groups to ensure that accessible, inclusive, and affordable housing remains a reality for all citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.

Also in attendance at the Ministry were: Permanent Secretary, Shanmatee Singh Ng Sang and other Ministry officials. Mr. Neil Ramcharan – First Vice President, Ms. Allana John and Mrs. Cindy Ramcharan also represented the TTBWA at this meeting.

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Left to right: Mr. Neil Ramcharan, First Vice President of the TTBWA; Senator the Honourable Phillip Alexander, Minister in the Ministry of Housing; and Mr. Kenneth Suratt, Executive Officer of the TTBWA.