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CPO Leads Dialogue with Amalgamated Workers' Union

November 26 2024 – The Chief Personnel Officer (CPO), Commander Dr. Daryl Dindial, held discussions with the Executive and President, Mr. Michael Prentice, of the Amalgamated Workers' Union (AWU) to discuss and negotiate on improved terms and conditions.

During the last round of negotiations, Amalgamated accepted the government's 4% percent offer as the best option to balance the immediate needs of their membership. The CPO noted that the Union's decision reflected a pragmatic approach while also understanding the broader economic realities the nation faced at that time.

Commander Dindial took a moment to express his gratitude to Mr. Prentice for his exceptional leadership, recognising the thoughtful and strategic approach he had taken in guiding the Union through those complex negotiations.

The CPO indicated that discussions were cordial and informative with the AWU, covering several topics including the Job Evaluation Exercise (JEE) for the Corporation, allowances for daily-rated workers, overtime clauses, personal protective equipment (PPE), challenges with materials and equipment and continued training and development for their members.

Discussions are expected to continue in December.

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