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MEDIA RELEASE

CPO maintains 5% offer with Fire Associations

March 3, 2026 – Chief Personnel Officer Commander Dr. Daryl Dindial convened a focused discussion today with the Executives of the 1st and 2nd Division Fire Service Associations at the Personnel Department, aiming to address pressing concerns affecting Trinidad and Tobago Fire Officers.

The CPO advised the Association that the offer on salary and Cost of Living Allowance (COLA), which was extended prior to the 2025 elections, continues to stand. Notwithstanding, the Associations have sought a review on several existing allowances and have committed to submitting a response on salary and COLA.

Representing the 2nd Division, President Keon Guy raised concerns relating to salary negotiations, time-off arrangements and eligibility for the EMT allowance, among other issues impacting officers. His contribution highlighted the need for continued dialogue and timely resolution to promote stability, morale and operational efficiency within the Fire Service.

Commander Dindial noted that the discussions were marked by openness and mutual respect, providing an opportunity for both Divisions to clearly articulate their positions and expectations. The CPO reaffirmed his commitment to careful consideration of the matters raised and to ongoing engagement with the Associations.

The meeting concluded on a constructive and positive note, with all parties agreeing to sustain meaningful communication and collaborative efforts aimed at advancing the welfare of Fire Officers.

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