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CCJ PRESIDENT TO LEAVE OFFICE IN 2018

Port of Spain, Trinidad. President of the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), the Rt. Hon. Sir Dennis Bryon, is set to leave office in 2018, having attained his 7th year of stewardship at the CCJ. The tenure of President is for a non-renewable term of 7 years. The process of seeking his replacement has already commenced with the post being advertised extensively. Communication has also been sent directly to regional and international stakeholders giving them notice of the start of this process. Applications for the post of the next CCJ President are due on the 18th of September 2017 and full details, including guidelines, are available on the CCJ's website at www.ccj.org.

Sir Dennis reflected, "it has been an honour to serve the region as the President of the CCJ. I am particularly proud of what has been accomplished by the Judges and the rest of the Court's team during my tenure. It is now time for me to take on other challenges but I will look back at the 6 years I have spent at the Court, with pride and with a great deal of fondness." Sir Dennis has been a jurist for over 50 years and was first appointed as a judge in 1982.

Sir Dennis was sworn in as President of the CCJ in 2011 in St. Kitts as the second President of the CCJ. His predecessor was the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Michael de la Bastide TC, a Trinidadian.

Sir Dennis was appointed by the Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) on the recommendation of the Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission. (RJLSC). The RJLSC is similarly responsible for the recruitment of the next President. Applications are invited from those persons who have been a judge for over 5 years or have practised, or taught, law for at least 15 years. Among the criteria that will be assessed by the RJLSC include: "high moral character, intellectual and analytical ability, sound judgment, integrity and understanding of people and society". Interested persons can apply for the position of CCJ President using the Court's website at www.ccj.org.

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