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CCJ Congratulates Mr Justice Winston Anderson on Reappointment to Court of Arbitration for Sports

Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. The Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) extends congratulations to CCJ Judge, the Honourable Mr Justice Winston Anderson, on his reappointment as a Member of the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS) by the International Council of Arbitration for Sports. CAS is a global body headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland. Mr Justice Anderson will serve an additional three-year term on the Court until 2026. Mr Justice Anderson, who has been a Judge of the CCJ since 2010 and is also the Chair of the CCJ Academy for Law was first appointed to CAS in 2021.

The CAS was established in 1984 following its ratification under the leadership of then President Kéba Mbaye and Secretary General Mr Gilbert Schwaar, to treat and settle disputes related to sports through arbitration. The CAS primarily determines two types of disputes, the first being 'commercial' disputes concerning issues such as contracts and sponsorship and the second being disciplinary matters.

Mr Justice Anderson's experience in sports law is quite extensive. This Jamaican national is the author of the "Governance by International Sports Bodies: Time to Call Time -Out?" published by the 2023 Sports Law Review. He was also appointed as the Chairman of the Disciplinary and Ethics Committees of Cricket West Indies in 2017 and a Member of the International Cricket Council Code of Conduct Commission (ICC) in 2018. In January 2023, his appointment as a Member of the ICC Dispute Resolution Committee was renewed.

The CCJ commends Mr Justice Anderson on his sterling achievement as he continues to represent the Caribbean in his various roles.

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The Honourable Mr Justice Winstn Anderson, CCJ Judge

About the Caribbean Court of Justice

The Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) was inaugurated in Port of Spain, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on 16 April 2005 and presently has a Bench of seven judges presided over by CCJ President, the Honourable Mr Justice Adrian Saunders. The CCJ has an Original and an Appellate Jurisdiction and is effectively, therefore, two courts in one. In its Original Jurisdiction, it is an international court with exclusive jurisdiction to interpret and apply the rules set out in the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas (RTC) and to decide disputes arising under it. The RTC established the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME). In its Original Jurisdiction, the CCJ is critical to the CSME and all 12 Member States which belong to the CSME (including their citizens, businesses, and governments) can access the Court's Original Jurisdiction to protect their rights under the RTC. In its Appellate Jurisdiction, the CCJ is the final court of appeal for criminal and civil matters for those countries in the Caribbean that alter their national Constitutions to enable the CCJ to perform that role. At present, fivestates access the Court in its Appellate Jurisdiction, these being Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Guyana and Saint LuciaGuyana. However, by signing and ratifying the Agreement Establishing the Caribbean Court of Justice, Member States of the Community have demonstrated a commitment to making the CCJ their final court of appeal. The Court is the realisation of a vision of our ancestors, an expression of independence and a signal of the region's coming of age.

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