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## PRIME MINISTER DR ROWLEY HOSTS THE 2016 TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO OLYMPIC TEAM

Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Dr. the Honourable Keith Rowley, hosted the 2016 Trinidad and Tobago Olympics Team at the Prime Minister's Residence today (Sunday 4th September, 2016).

Dr. Rowley took the opportunity to express his appreciation to the group of athletes who represented Trinidad and Tobago at the Rio Olympic Games last month as well as on other world stages. He noted that Trinidad and Tobago has had a tremendous record in sport dating back to the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo.

Dr. Rowley also articulated his disappointment at the untoward comments directed at the athletes in recent times and instead commended them for making the sacrifices required to get their talent on the world stage. Prime Minister Rowley urged the athletes to always do their best and to marry talent with attitude.

Additionally, Dr Rowley expressed the Government's intention to nurture sports from the primary school level with proper coaching and competitions and even up to university level with a view to promote careers in sport.

Dr. Rowley also thanked the corporate sponsors who were also present including BPTT, ScotiaBank, Tribal Connections, Guardian Group of Companies and the National Lotteries Control Board (NLCB).

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