

Caribbean Human Development Report on Citizen Security



UNDP MISQUOTED IN RELATION TO THE CARIBBEAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Port of Spain, 13 September 2011 – The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) wishes to advise, through this press release, that the organization was misquoted in the Trinidad Sunday Express Special Report entitled “POS murder rate comparable to that of Baghdad” published on Sunday 11 of September 2011.

The information quoted in the news article by the Trinidad Sunday Express **is not part of a UNDP report neither is the information part of the first Caribbean Human Development Report on Citizen Security to be released this year.** The data cited in the news article was part of the first draft of Chapter 3 of the background research paper for Trinidad and Tobago entitled “*Gangs in Trinidad and Tobago.*” Subsequent to the submission of the first draft of chapter 3 in March 2011, and based on comments from the National Technical Committee, the reference to Baghdad mentioned in the Sunday Express news article was removed from the background research paper for Trinidad and Tobago.

This background research paper for Trinidad and Tobago was one of seven independent research papers that provided background information to inform the Caribbean Human Development Report. These background research papers were prepared by national researchers and were used to draw comparable experiences and analysis for the purpose of preparing the final Caribbean Human Development Report. The independent research papers are unpublished documents commissioned by the UNDP.

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