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MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS & INVESTMENT

Press Release

For Immediate Release

29 November 2019

Barbados announces results of its Exchange Offer for its US Dollar-Denominated Commercial Debt

Bridgetown, Barbados:

The Government of Barbados (the "**Government**") announced today the results of the relevant invitations and consent solicitations announced on 5 November 2019 in respect (a) three series of English law-governed U.S. dollar bonds issued by the Government in an aggregate principal amount of U.S.\$540 million, (b) certain Barbados law-governed U.S. dollar bonds issued by the Barbados Transport Board, Barbados Agricultural Management Co. Ltd and the Government and (c) a U.S.\$225 million credit agreement.

The English Law Bond Invitation

The 2021 Eurobonds

The Government has received consents or tenders for exchange from holders of approximately U.S.\$133,072,000.00 face amount of English law-governed 7.25% bonds due 2021 issued by the Government, representing 88.71% of the outstanding bonds. At the bondholder meeting, 99.20% of the votes cast thereon approved the relevant extraordinary resolutions. The Government has confirmed that it intends to accept the consents received and the extraordinary resolutions have therefore become binding on all holders of such bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019, subject to the

pending distribution arrangement as described in the invitation memorandum relating to such bonds.

The 2022 Eurobonds

The Government has received consents or tenders for exchange from holders of approximately U.S.\$186,331,000.00 face amount of English law-governed 7.00% bonds due 2022 issued by the Government, representing 93.17% of the outstanding bonds. At the bondholder meeting, 100% of the votes cast thereon approved the relevant extraordinary resolutions. The Government has confirmed that it intends to accept the consents received and the extraordinary resolutions have therefore become binding on all holders of such bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019, subject to the pending distribution arrangement as described in the invitation memorandum relating to such bonds.

The 2035 Eurobonds

The Government has received consents or tenders for exchange from holders of approximately U.S.\$183,198,000.00 face amount of English law-governed 6.625% bonds due 2035 issued by the Government, representing 96.42% of the outstanding face amount of these bonds. At the bondholder meeting, 100% of the votes cast thereon approved the relevant extraordinary resolutions. The Government has confirmed that it intends to accept the consents received and the extraordinary resolutions have therefore become binding on all holders of such bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019, subject to the pending distribution arrangement as described in the invitation memorandum relating to such bonds.

Total Consideration for the Eurobonds

The consideration to be delivered in relation to the English law bond invitations is as follows:

Old bonds	Aggregate principal amount of 2029 Bonds	Aggregate principal amount of PDI Bonds	Cash consideration
7.25% bonds due 2021	U.S.\$116,238,200.00	U.S.\$7,112,900.00	U.S.\$1,078,950.00
7.00% bonds due 2022	U.S.\$153,068,600.00	U.S.\$9,370,600.00	U.S.\$1,420,800.00
6.625% bonds due 2035	U.S.\$146,021,400.00	U.S.\$8,940,500.00	U.S.\$1,355,270.00

The Barbados Law Bond Invitations

The Barbados Transport Board Bonds

The Government has received tenders for exchange from holders of approximately U.S.\$11,000,000.00 face amount of Barbados law-governed Fixed Rate Non-Callable Guaranteed Bonds 2007-2022 issued by the Barbados Transport Board (the "**Transport Board Bonds**"), representing 100% of the outstanding face amount of these bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019.

The Barbados Agricultural Management Company Bonds

The Government has received tenders for exchange from holders of approximately U.S.\$25,000,000.00 face amount of Barbados law-governed Fixed Rate Non-Callable Guaranteed Bonds 2007-2022 issued by Barbados Agricultural Management Co. Ltd (the "**BAMC Bonds**"), representing 100% of the outstanding face amount of these bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019.

The 2019 Barbados Law Bonds

The Government has received tenders for exchange of approximately U.S.\$34,170,000.00 face amount of Barbados law-governed Barbados law-governed Class B Fixed Rate Bonds due 2019 issued by the Government (the "**2019 Bonds**"), representing 85.43% of the outstanding face amount of these bonds. At the bondholder meeting, 100% of the votes cast thereon approved the relevant extraordinary resolutions. The Government has confirmed that it intends to accept the consents received and the extraordinary resolutions have therefore become binding on all holders of such bonds. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019, subject to the pending distribution arrangement as described in the invitation memorandum relating to such bonds.

Total Consideration for the Barbados Law Bond Invitations

Old bonds	Aggregate principal amount of 2029 Bonds	Aggregate principal amount of PDI Bonds	Cash consideration
Transport Board Bonds	U.S.\$8,333,900.00	U.S.\$510,400.00	U.S.\$77,352.00
BAMC Bonds	U.S.\$18,979,000.00	U.S.\$1,162,500.00	U.S.\$176,150.00
2019 Bonds	U.S.\$6,639,900.00	U.S.\$405,500.00	U.S.\$61,638.00

The consideration to be delivered in relation to the Barbados law bond invitations is as follows:

The Loan Invitation

Barbados has also received tenders for exchange and consents to the proposed amendments of approximately U.S.\$92,125,000.00 aggregate face amount, or 100%, of its loans under a U.S.\$225 million credit agreement dated 13 December 2013 between, among others, the Government and Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch as administrative agent.

As a result, the requisite level of consents have been obtained pursuant to the terms of the credit agreement and the Government has confirmed that it intends to accept the proposed consents and waivers to the credit agreement. The settlement of the new bonds and delivery of cash consideration is scheduled to occur on 11 December 2019.

The consideration to be delivered in relation to the loan invitation is as follows:

Aggregate principal amount of 2029 Bonds	Aggregate principal amount of PDI Bonds	Cash consideration
U.S.\$81,314,100.00	U.S.\$4,979,100.00	U.S.\$754,780.13

Total New Issuances and Cash Consideration

In respect of the various exchanges referred to above, the aggregate principal amount of 2029 Bonds to be delivered on closing will be approximately U.S.\$530,595,100.00, the aggregate principal amount of PDI Bonds to be delivered on closing will be approximately U.S.\$32,481,500.00 and the total net cash consideration (after deduction of U.S.\$2,575,000.00

by the settlement facility agent to pay the costs and expenses of the external creditors committee) to be delivered on closing will be approximately U.S.\$4,924,940.12.

In the event the settlement dates referred to above change, the Government will notify the relevant creditors accordingly.

Further information

Information concerning the invitations may be obtained from the Exchange and Information Agent:

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