MESSAGE From THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY To THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

The Honourable the House of Assembly has the honour to inform the Honourable the Senate that on the 17th day of July, 2018, the Honourable the House of Assembly committed the following Bill:

Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2018

to a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses comprising seven members of the Honourable the House of Assembly and four members of the Honourable the Senate and has approved the following terms of reference for the committee:

Terms of Reference

- 1. To inquire into and determine whether the Bill as drafted effectively fulfills the expressed objects of promoting and maintaining the integrity of persons in public life and the prevention, detection and prosecution of acts of corruption;
- 2. To examine whether the Bill as drafted will upon effective implementation contribute to an ethos of fair dealings and compliance with the financial rules in government affairs, thereby combating corruption in public life;
- 3. To examine and analyse whether the provisions of the Bill which relate to financial disclosure will so deter citizens from offering themselves for public duty and service as to have a negative impact on the functioning of government;
- 4. To consider whether the Bill as drafted will be an effective and strong deterrent to corruption in public life in Barbados;
- 5. To make recommended changes, if deemed necessary, to the Bill as drafted for further consideration by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel.

The House of Assembly has appointed the following members to the Joint Select Committee:

Hon. Dale D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B, (Hons.), L.E.C. Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

Hon. Wilfred A. Abrahams, LL.B. Minister of Energy and Water Resources

Hon. Colin E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.)
Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations

Hon. Cynthia Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs

Hon. Charles McD. Griffith, B.Sc. Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development

Mr. Ralph A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology

Bishop Joseph J. S. Atherley, JP., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. Leader of the Opposition

The House of Assembly has the honour to invite the Honourable the Senate to appoint four members to the Joint Select Committee.

Dated the 17th day of July, 2018.

SPEAKER