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**March 6, 2023**

Mr. Tariq Alli  
General Manager  
Country Department, Caribbean Group  
Inter-American Development Bank  
6 Montrose Road  
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Dear Mr. Alli,

**Re: The Government of Jamaica's Letter of Request for Technical Cooperation from the Inter-American Development Bank towards Developing Skills Strategies for an Enhanced Skills Ecosystem for Strategic Jamaican Industries (JA-T1215)**

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Reference is made to email correspondence dated January 13, 2023 from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) advising the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) of the Bank's proposed Technical Cooperation (TC) in the amount of **Three Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (US\$300,000.00)** towards *Developing Skills Strategies for an Enhanced Skills Ecosystem for Strategic Jamaican Industries (JA-T1215)*.

The GOJ notes that the objective of the TC is to support Jamaica's post COVID-19 economic recovery efforts to promote the growth of strategic sectors and incentivise employment. In this regard, the TC will support the coordination of private sector partners and facilitate the drafting of strategies that will lead to increased private sector participation in the training ecosystem based on a matching of market demand with an improved supply of skills in these strategic sectors.

Given that the TC intends to apply a targeted and coordinated approach to other strategic sectors, the GOJ is of the view that this will support the Government's efforts to accelerate employment and growth in the post COVID-19 environment.

The Ministry of Finance and the Public Service (MOFPS), on behalf of the GOJ, hereby formally requests the captioned TC in the amount of US\$300,000 and asks that the Project be Bank executed. Please be advised that the Jamaica Promotions Corporation (JAMPRO) will be the Government's focal point.

The GOJ anticipates a favourable response from the Bank to this request.

Yours sincerely,

Dian Black (Ms.)  
for Financial Secretary

**cc: Ms. Barbara Scott – Deputy Director General | External Cooperation Management Division,  
Planning Institute of Jamaica**

**Mrs. Shullette Cox – President | Jamaica Promotions Corporation**