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Mr. Juan Carlos De La Hoz Viñas  
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**CHRIST CHURCH**

Dear Sir,

**Inter-American Development Bank - Technical Cooperation –  
BA-T1070 – Roadmap for Skills Development in Strategic Sectors in Barbados**

During the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) Administration Mission held during October 23-25, 2019 for the Strengthening Human and Social Development in Barbados project, the matter of IDB's identification of Technical Cooperation (TC) grant resources to assist the Ministry of Labour and Social Partnership Relations (MLSP) was discussed.

The above captioned draft TC Abstract, submitted to the Government of Barbados in February 2020, formed the basis of ongoing discussions between the IDB, MLSP and the Public Investment Unit, which resulted in an updated document in May 2020. The objective of the proposed TC is to support the MLSP in its mandate to identify and analyse the most emerging shock resistant strategic sectors of the economy that could create the largest number of jobs in Barbados. Additionally, it would create a roadmap and action plan to generate the skills required to support these sectors.

In this regard, the Government of Barbados is hereby requesting the IDB's provision of non-reimbursable Technical Cooperation resources in the amount of US\$300,000.00 (BDS\$600,000.00) to implement the project titled: Roadmap for Skills Development in Strategic Sectors in Barbados over a twenty-four (24) month period. The Government is also requesting the Bank's execution of the TC on its behalf, in collaboration with the MLSP.

You are invited to note that this request was supported by the Cabinet of Barbados at its meeting held on July 02, 2020, following the consideration of Note (20) 610/MLSP 13.

Your kind consideration in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

  
**DALE FOSTER (MISS)**  
for Permanent Secretary  
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c.c.: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Social Partnership Relations