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Honorable Terry Lister
Minister
Ministry of Energy,
Telecommunications
& E-Commerce
Bermuda

Subject: Follow-up of the 5th Caribbean Ministerial
Strategic seminar in Bermuda

Sir,

It was a real pleasure for me to visit Bermuda for the recent CTU Ministerial meeting. This was my first time in your beautiful country and I wish to thank you personally as well as the Government of Bermuda and all those who ensured that I had an enjoyable and successful visit. I am really pleased that Bermuda was able to host this meeting and I could see that this important meeting was well organized and was indeed a success.

As discussed at the meeting, there are important ICT events which will take place soon involving the CTU and its members as well as CANTO and its members and other ICT stake holders. These are the *Harmonization Project* and the *Connect the Americas Project*, including the *Connect the Caribbean* activities. I trust that Bermuda will be able to benefit from these activities and you will continue to reap significant benefits from the development of ICTs. The ITU will continue to work closely with the CTU, CANTO, other regional stakeholders and regional governments in the development of ICTs as well as the use of ICTs for development.

I understand that your portfolio is a relatively new one and I would like to wish you a successful tenure.

Please be kind enough to express my sincere appreciation to the other Ministers, government representatives and private sector representatives in Bermuda for their warm hospitality during my visit. I look forward to meeting with you again so that we can continue discussing important ICT matters which are of interest to the Caribbean.

Finally, I appreciated your availability to be with me on my last day along with Mrs. Eudora Brown-Zuil. I enjoyed the tour of the Island very much.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Dr Hamadoun I. Touré