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MEDIA RELEASE

Successful Full Scale Emergency Exercise at ANR Robinson International Airport

On Monday 17th March, 2025, Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago (“the Authority”) collaborated with several emergency response agencies to stage a Full Scale Emergency Exercise at the ANR Robinson International Airport in Tobago.

This Exercise, which is conducted every two years, ensures compliance with the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), and regulations as promulgated by the Trinidad and Tobago Civil Aviation Authority, for renewal of aerodrome certification. The activity tests emergency response capabilities and evaluates preparedness of the Authority and all stakeholders to respond adequately to an airport accident.

Deputy General Manager at the ANR Robinson International Airport, Mrs Pamela Scotland-Benjamin, commended the mass coordination of all response teams. She stated that, “an Exercise such as this is not only a regulatory requirement, but also allows us to satisfy our mandate to provide a safe and secure airport environment. This Exercise is critical to our operations, as it allows us to be in a state of readiness for any incident”.

General Manager of the Authority, Mr Hayden Newton, expressed his gratitude to all organisations that partnered with the Authority to ensure the successful execution of the Exercise. He stated “this is a wonderful example of collaboration among multiple agencies. The unified effort, coordination and teamwork demonstrated by all involved, highlight our shared dedication to ensuring the safety and security of our airports.

The Authority thanks the Ministry of Works and Transport, Trinidad and Tobago Fire Service, the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service, the Tobago Emergency Management Agency, the Division of Health, Wellness and Social Protection, the Tobago House of Assembly, the Trinidad and Tobago Air Guard, Caribbean Airlines, the Immigration Division, the Customs and Excise Division and all other emergency response agencies, who were part of the planning and successful execution of this Emergency Exercise.

We also wish to thank members of the general public for their kind cooperation. The Authority remains committed to working with all stakeholders to provide the highest standards of safe and secure aviation services for the benefit of all travellers and airport users.

