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## **MSC CHAIRMAN TO DELIVER PRESENTATION TO TRINIDAD MARITIME INDUSTRY ORGANIZATION**

CHARLOTTE, NC (October 2009) – Mr. Philip J. Murray - Chairman, President and CEO of the Maritime Security Council has been invited by the Maritime Industry Development Committee of Trinidad & Tobago (MIDC) to address its membership, and selected invitees, at past of its Maritime Industry Seminar Series.

The Maritime Industry Development Committee (MIDC) is a government appointed committee established to oversee the implementation of Trinidad & Tobago's merchant marine industry's strategic plan, and the long term development of industry members of that country's maritime and supporting global supply chain sectors. The MIDC's strategic goals include legislative, regulatory, and institutional reform within government and participating public and private sector business entities to build ensure protective measures appropriate to the evolving security environment and regulatory imperatives, are maintained.

Members of the MIDC include: Couva/Point Lisas Chamber of Industry and Commerce; Ministry of National Security; Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard; Ministry of Trade and Industry; Ministry of Works and Transport; National Energy Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Ltd; Point Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation Ltd; Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago; Seamen and Waterfront Workers Trade Union; Shipping Association of Trinidad and Tobago; South Trinidad Chamber of Industry and Commerce; and Tobago House of Assembly and University of Trinidad and Tobago.

Mr. Murray's presentation will be: 'Maritime and Supply Chain Security in a Post 9/11 World', and address: The impact of the ISPS Code five years after implementation; the future of the ISPS Code, the US Maritime Transportation Security Act, and other maritime & trade related security initiatives; Creative approaches to implementing cost and operationally effective maritime security challenges in the Caribbean Basin; and, the business case for optimum return on investment through proactive security planning.

### **About the Maritime Security Council (MSC)**

The Maritime Security Council is the world's premier organization dedicated solely to the security of the maritime industry, and is a leading advocate for the security and policy interests of the global maritime and supply chain communities. Founded in 1988, the MSC is a not-for-profit organization that has played a pioneering role in developing the US Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA), and associated security 'best practice' programs such as the Carrier Initiative Program, the Supercarrier Initiative, Business Alliance for Secure Commerce (BASC), and the Customs-Trade partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT).

### **About Philip J. Murray**

Philip J. Murray is a founding governor and now Chairman, President and CEO of the Maritime Security Council, and has been involved in maritime transportation and international trade for more than 40 years. Mr. Murray previously served as an Executive with one of the world's largest ocean carrier and terminal operators, and was responsible for successfully leading their global effort in the areas of Security, Safety, Cargo Loss Prevention and Hazardous Materials Handling. Mr. Murray is a strong supporter of industry assistance to government efforts in the areas of anti-piracy, anti-terrorism, anti-smuggling and drug interdiction, and enhancing maritime and supply chain security worldwide.

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