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PRESS RELEASE

Jamaica Customs Secures Court Resolution Supporting Modernisation and Efficiency in Trade

KINGSTON, Jamaica – October 22, 2025:

The Jamaica Customs Agency (JCA) welcomes the resolution of court proceedings before the Honourable Chief Justice, which **confirms the continued implementation of the Customs Contactless Clearance Process (CCCP)**, a key initiative in Jamaica's modernisation and trade facilitation agenda.

Significantly, the injunction previously granted against the Agency has been fully discharged, allowing the JCA to continue its modernisation drive.

The outcome is a positive and constructive step forward, which maintains the essential elements of the CCCP, encourages modernisation, and strengthens the legal and procedural framework for Customs operations.

The Court's order confirms the continued implementation of the CCCP, giving importers the option to continue to have consignments valued at US\$5,000.00 or less, inspected in their absence. This reflects the JCA's commitment to improving trade facilitation, increasing efficiency, and reducing transaction costs for importers and the Jamaican people.

In alignment with the Court's guidance, the JCA will continue to refine and strengthen its inspection procedures to enhance transparency and operational efficiency, while preserving the integrity of its modernisation initiatives.

Commissioner of Customs, Dr. Velma Ricketts Walker, CD, JP, stated: "The resolution ensures that the core features of the CCCP remains in place, and enables the CCCP to continue to deliver fast, fair, and more efficient trade for all Jamaicans. The JCA remains committed to modernisation, transparency, and strong governance."

The JCA is unwavering in its mandate to **facilitate trade**, **protect Jamaica's borders**, **and secure government revenue**, while delivering efficient and modern service to the business community and the people of Jamaica.

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