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Vendors get extension to January 2nd 2015 to ply their trade at Salvatori Site.

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Statement:

Dr. the Honourable Roodal Moonilal MP, Minister of Housing and Urban Development and Line Minister for UDeCOTT, announced on Tuesday 2nd September 2014 that Vendors who were granted temporary use of the Salvatori Project Site in Port of Spain have been granted an extension to ply their trade at the site until January 2nd 2015.

Minister Moonilal made the announcement at a Press Conference hosted by the Ministry at its South Quay Port of Spain Headquarters.

UDeCOTT will take possession of the Salvatori Site on January 2nd 2015 to commence geotechnical works in preparation for construction of what Honourable Minister Moonilal termed The Energy Tower for Energy Agencies in Trinidad and Tobago.

Dr. Moonilal and UDeCOTT's Chairman, Ms. Jearlean John, met with three Representatives of the Vendors to hear their concerns.

Speaking with Reporters after the meeting, Minister Moonilal said: "There are several processes to undertake again including full Cabinet approval for the project and approvals from statutory authorities and bodies, including Town and Country Planning, TTEC and WASA. Jearlean John has assured us that the design work and the technical work continues, but it will not be necessary to have possession of the site immediately. In those circumstances we have allowed the vendors to continue vending."

Dr. Moonilal clarified that after January 2nd 2015, there would not be any additional extensions because by then UDeCOTT would be prepared for the

"scientific and technical work that has to be done at the site".

Minister Moonilal stated that the months leading to the new deadline of January 2nd would allow the Port-of-Spain Regional Corporation and the Ministry of Local Government to work together to find an "adequate and alternative site," for the vendors to continue plying their trade.

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