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**Hon. Soodesh Callichurn**

Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Training  
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**Sir,**

As you may be aware, hundreds of employees of **Courts Mtius Ltd (Iframac Group)** have gathered yesterday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2015 at the Seat of the C.T.S.P. in Rose Hill and all employees of **Courts Rodrigues** are mobilizing.

Since the scandal of the B.A.I Empire, employees of the group are in great psychological turmoil, profitable companies like Courts Mtius Ltd and others are not performing business as usual.

Instead, Managers from same are telling the employees that wages for the month of May could be delayed and that eventually there will be lost of jobs.

In Courts Mtius Ltd and other companies like former Quincaillerie Centrale which today forms part under the Dawood Rawat Claws were performing well and still have promising business potential. Since the group is under administration by the government nominated conservator Mr Bonieux, no funds are being injected in the above referred companies for purchase of goods to support the business. Courts Mtius Ltd is missing the opportunity of making good business on the occasion of the celebration of the mother's day which has never been the case since its existence.

Is it a deliberate action to render Courts Mtius Ltd non profitable and to justify its closure? Or is it a strategic manoeuvre to deliberately decrease its market value and consequently handing it to a potential buyer who could eventually justify the downsizing of the business with closure of showrooms and cut of jobs?

As you can see many questions remain unanswered and until this confusion continues the blame and whole responsibility will remain on the shoulders of your government.

In a recent press conference, even the Leader of Opposition was querying about the source of funds that will support the pay back of the "Super Cash Gold Scheme" of the B.A.I. Ltd and the implication of the companies of the group in same.

The employees of Courts Mtius Ltd and other employees of companies in the group have no other alternative that request for your personal intervention in this turmoil as Minister of Labour responsible for employment and employee protection.

We are requesting for a “**Tripartite MOST URGENT MEETING**” on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of May** where we insist that the conservator Mr Bonieux to be present. Many attempts by the employees to meet the Minister of Finance Hon. Vishnu Luchmeenaraidoo and the Minister of Good Governance and Financial Sector Hon. Roshni Bhadain have so far remained unacknowledged.

More than ever the employees are determined to claim for their rights to information and the preservation of their employment with all their acquired rights.

It seems that the priority of the government was to save the jobs of employees of Bramer Bank and B.A.I Ltd in order to stop thousands of policy holders and clients of Bramer Bank from demonstrating in the streets.

For your kind information a unanimous resolution to demonstrate in the streets and to engage in visibility actions against the doubtful silence of this government was voted yesterday.

We rely on your full support to convince other policy makers of your government to give all due consideration to all the employees of the B.A.I Group.

Furthermore, we wish to inform you that presently the employees of **Apollo Bramwell** Hospital are under the threat that 100 jobs will be terminated without giving any further information on the concerned employees.

As you may be aware employees of Appollo Bramwell Hospital are subjected to a contract of employment (*which will be tabled in the requested meeting of Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of May*) which contains abusive clauses.

One of which is that if the employment of an employee is terminated for “ANY REASON” which implies even if the employer terminates the employment, the employee will have to pay a sum of Rs 252,000 for the first year and eventually decreasing by Rs 50,000 ever year until the fifth year.

Using these abusive clauses, employees of Appollo Bramwell Hospital were warned if they attend the meeting organised by the CTSP or any organization, they will be among those who will lose their job and will have to pay all cash penalties in accordance to their contract of employment.

Once again we hope you will positively entertain our request for a most urgent tripartite meeting on this Friday.

Yours truly



**Jane Ragoo**  
**President**



**Reez Chuttoo**  
**General Secretary**

**c.c: To the Press**

**(posted to C.T.S.P website and facebook)**