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National Minority Business Council signs cooperative agreement with the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce, West Indies

NEW YORK, NY January 19, 2018 – The National Minority Business Council Inc. and the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce recently signed an agreement of cooperation with the vision of supporting and expanding economic cooperation between the United States of America and Jamaica. Guided by the goal of establishing closer contacts between companies, organizations and educational institutions, the two organizations will promote and strengthen expansion of trade, economic ties and contacts between the business communities. The United States of America and Jamaica have a long history of business-trade and people exchange. Therefore, in the spirit of cooperation and for the mutual benefit for its respective membership base, NMBC will endeavor to make this a successful venture.

The NMBC and JCC agree to exchange information about relevant international fairs, exhibitions and other business focused events to be held in the United States and Jamaica and will encourage the attendance of their respective enterprises and entities in the events of their interest.

According to John F. Robinson, President and CEO of the NMBC, *“This agreement of cooperation between the JCC and the NMBC will expand global business opportunities for Jamaican based companies as well as American based minority business enterprises brought about through joint ventures as well as mutual trade agreements between member companies. The NMBC has had a long relationship of cooperation with the Jamaican business community going back to the mid-1980s when the NMBC did its first trade mission of 50 NMBC members to Montego Bay, Jamaica, West Indies which resulted in both short term and long term business relations with Jamaican based enterprises. The NMBC is excited about this renewed business relationship with the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce and its membership.”*

Mr. Loyston Smith, NMBC’s Vice President for Business Development and Technology will manage this new relationship with the JCC on behalf of the NMBC, Inc. The goal of this new cooperative agreement is to have trade mission of NMBC members to Jamaica and a trade mission of JCC members to the United States within 2018.

Any company wishing to take advantage of this cooperative agreement between the NMBC and the JCC, should contact the NMBC at info@nmbc.org, or call the office at 347-289-7620 or contact Mr. Loyston Smith at loyston.smith@nmbc.org, or call him at 917-226-0331.

The **National Minority Business Council, Inc.** is a New York based, 46 year old global business membership organization of small, minority, women and veteran owned businesses providing services in the areas of procurement, education and training, advocacy, global business trading and women business development growth services and programs.