Tribute

A True Champion for Integrity

RICHARD JOSEPH
The sudden and untimely passing of Richard Joseph is a major shock to all of us. Naturally our first thoughts are for his wife, Christine, and his children. We at TTTI certainly share their grief.

To say that he will be missed is an understatement. The many tributes that have poured in bear testimony to the high esteem in which his work and his engaging personality were held throughout the Transparency International movement. This national chapter is immensely proud of his contribution.

In his personal life, Richard upheld the highest standards of integrity and he brought that zeal and enthusiasm to his work at TTTI. He was totally dedicated and committed to the vision and goals of the organization and never shirked the responsibilities asked of him. Richard served as an officer of TTTI from 2009, first as Treasurer then as Chair from 2010. After stepping down as Chair in May 2012, he continued to be a Director to the time of his death.

We at TTTI recommit to the fight against corruption in Trinidad & Tobago and, in extending condolences, we thank his family for lending him to us as part of our continuing struggle in the service of our country.

Deryck Murray, Chair, TTTI
A True Champion for Integrity

The Tobago AIDS Society extends our deepest condolences on the passing of Mr. Joseph

Richard has been a good friend for many years and this news saddens me greatly.

Nicole Grant

Oh no! Accept my heartfelt condolences. We spoke with him last week, was not aware that he was ill. It always concerns me when so many of my peers are dying. Does that say something about work/life balance? May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in the mercy of God.

Dianne Wells
Couva South
Children’s Home

CSO Toolkit Consultation - August 2010

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What a shock to hear of Richard Joseph’s sudden death. All of us at TGN MEDIA extend our deepest condolences to you and all at TTTI at the passing of your leader. As people of faith we commend him to Jesus and to eternal rest and joy with His Creator. And we accompany you in the loss of his presence, his guidance and example of integrity. We salute him. May God Bless you all... sincerely and in sympathy

Maureen Arneaud,
President - Social Justice Foundation and Director/Producer TGN MEDIA

I am in total shock at this news.... Please extend my deepest condolences to his family on behalf of the First Up team and by extension Caribbean New Media Group (CNMG).

Kadisha Munroe
Producer, First Up
Caribbean New Media Group
I am of course shocked and extremely sad. I can’t believe that just a few weeks ago we were in Jamaica laughing and having a good time at the regional meeting. Richard was first a friend and then an excellent colleague. My period as regional director and him as chairman of the TTTI coincided, that made us share many things, successes, worries, challenges, plans and ideas. I had the pleasure of sharing good moments with him and he was kind enough to introduce me to part of his family. I will miss Richard.

I have informed the management team here at Berlin and the chair of the international board of directors, Huguette Labelle. I have also informed the national chapters in the Americas region. The link below takes you to a press released issue by the international movement. Also attached a letter from Huguette, that we will be grateful if you can share with the TTTI members and Richard’s family. http://www.transparency.org/news/pressrelease/20120603_transparency_international_mourns_loss_of_richard_joseph

Thank you, and please don’t hesitate to contact me or anyone from the team in case you need support from our side.

Alejandro Salas,
Regional Director for the Americas, Transparency International, Germany
I have just learned about the sudden death of Mr Joseph. Our condolences to you and your colleagues.

Kevin Donegan
Campaign Manager
Global Outreach and Campaigns Department,
Transparency International Secretariat

Richard’s passing comes to me as a total shock and I wish to convey my deepest sympathy to all colleagues, friends and family.

At 58 Richard was just starting on a journey with TTTI and he is sadly missed!

Lennox D. Lampkin
St. Vincent & the Grenadines

I am in Canada and just saw this email! I am shocked to hear of Richard’s passing. Please convey my deepest condolences to all at TTTI and to his family. I am extending these thoughts on behalf of the entire staff at the Arthur Lok Jack Graduate School of Business.

Kamla Mungal
TTTI Integrity Support Committee Member

How utterly unexpected and shocking. He seemed in great health when I saw him in Jamaica with his daughter. Please can you give my condolences to his family.

Mark Pyman
Programme Director
Defence and Security Counter-corruption Programme

On behalf of members of TTTI, and on behalf of right thinking citizens I offer my deep condolences to all who have known and who have loved Richard.

Gary Aboud

Regional Conference 2010

With current TTTI Chair - Deryck Murray at Regional Conference 2010

I am profoundly shocked, deeply distressed and very saddened at Richard’s sudden passing. It’s hard to believe that just a few weeks ago we were having breakfast together at Breeze’s Runaway Bay the end of the Americas meeting and talking about the conference’s success. He, in his jocular style was recalling his cross-country ‘dash’, driven by our Finance Director, Mitzi, from Kingston to Runaway Bay on the eve of the AME.

We in NIA shall always remember his advice and encouragement as we were setting our organisation and I personally shall always recall his personal support for my Individual Membership at TI. Sincere condolences to his family and friends as well as his colleagues in TTTI.

Professor Trevor Munroe,
Executive Director,
NIAL Jamaica
A True Champion for Integrity

Presenting a gift to Boyd Reid

A TRIBUTE to Richard Joseph

Tuesday 3rd July 2012
Mr Deryck Murray
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Laventille

Dear Deryck,

It was a great shock to read today of Richard Joseph’s death over the weekend. Having only had the opportunity to meet him a couple of times I was always impressed with his commitment, professionalism and quiet integrity. He clearly brought a lot to the Transparency Institute and I offer my sincere condolences to you and all the team at TTI at this difficult time. As I do not know the Joseph family personally I would be very grateful if you could pass on my condolences to them also.

It must be very difficult to have lost a colleague and key team member. But maybe it is more difficult to have lost a friend. In either case, as I said to Richard at the TTI AGM in May, the British High Commission remains interested in supporting the work of TTI. With this sad news I feel it is all the more important that we do so to help ensure that the legacy of his efforts on behalf of the people of Trinidad and Tobago is a lasting one.

I hope that we get the chance to meet and discuss such support in the near future.

With very best wishes,

Arthur Stovell

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO TRANSPARENCY INSTITUTE

PRESS RELEASE: TTTI Mourns sudden death of former Chair and director Richard Joseph

Monday 9 July 2012

FOR EDITORIAL RELEASE

RICHARD JOSEPH DIES OF MASSIVE HEART ATTACK ON SUNDAY 1st JULY 2012

Trinidad & Tobago Transparency Institute (TTTI) announces with deep sorrow the death of its Director and outgoing Chair, Richard Andre Joseph, born 10 November 1953.

Mr Joseph was totally dedicated and committed to the work of TTTI and to the fight against corruption in Trinidad and Tobago. He served TTTI before becoming Chair of TTTI for the period 2010 to 2012. In this capacity, he was instrumental in providing advice and encouragement to the region’s anti-corruption initiatives in Jamaica (Regional Integrity Action Limited) and in Guyana (Transparency Institute of Guyana).

Mr Joseph’s sudden demise leaves TTTI with a massive void to fill but his work will also prove a great loss for the organization. Our thoughts are with his family, friends, colleagues and the wider community.

For more information please contact us at 626-5700 or E-mail asia@transparency-tt.org

JTT CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

9th July 2012

Trinidad and Tobago Transparency Institute
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Dear Sir,

The JCC is saddened by the sudden death of Richard Joseph, our immediate Past Chair of the JCC.

Richard was a valued colleague who was fully committed to the common causes of Transparency, Good Governance and the proper conduct of Public Business. We extend our deepest condolences to Richard’s family, friends and to all his colleagues in the Transparency Movement.

TTTI was important in advancing the respect with which our organization is viewed and the JCC would like to convey to Richard’s family, colleagues and friends our deepest condolences.

Yours sincerely,

Barbara Reid, SEC, Chair

President
We at Syntegra are very saddened and shocked to learn of Richard’s sudden death. Our sympathy goes out to his family as well as the board and staff of the TTTI. His loss will certainly be felt by many.

Reshma Bissessar
TTTI Corporate Member Representative

This is indeed very sad and tragic!! OMG are the first thing that came to my mind and I am still in shock. God, may he rest in peace. Richard was such a gem of a human being. We have really lost one of the few people that care to make a difference and who gave their lives to others. Please convey my family’s sincere and deepest condolences to his family.

Sheree Welch
TTTI Integrity Support Committee Member

We at TI-USA are so incredibly sorry and saddened to hear of Richard’s untimely passing. Richard was a great guy and very good colleague to all of us in the TI Americas network. Please pass on our condolences (both on behalf of TI-USA and me personally) to his family. We will be thinking of all of you and his family in our prayers.

Shruti Shah
Senior Policy Director Transparency International-USA

I wanted to add my condolences to those of my colleague Shruti. I met Richard in Miami last year and then saw him again in Berlin in October and had many opportunities to talk to him. He was a great person and very loved in the movement; he will be missed. Our thoughts are with his family.

Francesco De Simone
Senior Policy Director - International Development, Transparency International-USA
On behalf of Sharda Ganga and the rest of the Projekta-team, I hereby express our deepest sympathy at the sudden passing of Richard Joseph. He was very committed to promoting transparency and encouraging other civil society organizations in the Caribbean to be more active for the cause, and his enthusiasm for Projekta’s work has definitely been an encouragement for us. His passing is a loss to civil society in the wider Caribbean. Our condolences to the TTTI-team, and Richard’s friends and family.

Rayah Bhattacharji - PROJEKTA
TI Suriname

Meeting with Minister of Housing, Dr Roolal Moonilal – March 2012

On behalf of the Board of TI-Canada and myself, personally, I would like to take this opportunity to let you know how deeply shocked we are to hear of the death of our dear Richard.

As an English speaking member of the TI Americas National Chapters, I have worked closely with Richard, both in person and electronically. We have shared many desires re. the workings of TI, as well as many laughs. We have shared our lives, too, as I met both his son in Miami and his daughter, when she was in Jamaica, at the time of our recent meetings, to which my husband and mother also came along.

I am so thankful I had the opportunity to know Richard. He was dedicated to the cause of anti-corruption, and we shall miss him more than I can say.

Bronwyn Best
Executive Director
TI Canada

Caribbean Regional SME Business Ethics Conference 2012
I only had the fortune to meet Richard on the occasion of my coming to T&T. However, it was obvious that he was a gentleman (in the true meaning of the word), well known and well liked. I am certain that both of you will miss him and his friendship. Please convey my condolences to his family.

Allan Cutler, Whistleblower and Presenter at TTTI 2011 Anti-Corruption Conference
Mr Joseph was someone we could call on anytime for guidance and direction. He took a vested interest in the well-being and safety of the staff and he fully supported every project undertaken by the secretariat.

He ensured that everything was in place for the smooth running of the office, particularly its finances. He also encouraged the professional development of his staff. We will miss his invaluable input at the secretariat and we will continue to fight the good fight.

Cindy Paul and Alana Wheeler
TTTI Secretariat
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