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MEDIA RELEASE

The Trinidad and Tobago Racing Authority hereby advises of the decisions of the Board taken at its meeting held on Tuesday 13th November 2018:

MEETING WITH APPRENTICE JOCKEY DARCELLE RODRIGO RE: SUSPENSION IMPOSED BY THE STEWARDS FOR THE NEXT TEN (10) DAYS OF RACING IN RACE 1/DAY 32 OF THE 2018 RACING SEASON, HELD ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 13TH 2018, FOR BREACH OF RULE 51 (2)

The Board, having given careful consideration to the evidence submitted by Apprentice Jockey Darcelle Rodrigo, Mr. David Loregnard – Steward and Mr. Brian Harding -Tutor, Apprentice Jockey Training Programme and after viewing the footage of Race1/Day 32 held on Saturday 13th October 2018, found that Apprentice Jockey Rodrigo failed to take all reasonable measures to ensure that 'BIG CUT' was given the full opportunity to obtain the best placing possible in the race. As such, the Board upheld the Stewards' decision to suspend Apprentice Jockey Rodrigo for the next ten (10) days of racing for breach of Rule 51 (2) of the Rules of Racing.

MEETING WITH APPRENTICE JOCKEY BRANDON PAHAL RE: SUSPENSION IMPOSED BY STEWARDS FOR THE NEXT FIVE (5) DAYS OF RACING FOR HAVING STRUCK JOCKEY YOSENYER SERRANO WITH HIS SKULL CAP IN THE WEIGHING ROOM AFTER RACE 4/DAY 34 – FRIDAY NOVEMBER 2ND 2018

The Board, having given careful consideration to the evidence submitted by Apprentice Jockey Brandon Pahal, Jockey Yosenyer Serrano, Mr. Brian Harding – Tutor Apprentice Jockey Training Programme, Mr. David Loregnard – Steward, Mr. Michael Gomez – Clerk of Scales and Mr. Venice Richards – Consultant, has determined that Apprentice Jockey Pahal was

guilty of improper behavior and in breach of Rules 69 (2) and (3) of the Rules of Racing.

As such, the Board upheld the decision of the Stewards to suspend Apprentice Jockey Pahal for the next five (5) days of racing and imposed an extension of the suspension until the last racing day in January 2019.

Apprentice Jockey Brandon Pahal was further referred for anger management counselling.

**JOSETTE MC DAVID
SECRETARY**

NOVEMBER 14, 2018