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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE ISSUES UPDATE #2 FOLLOWING THE
RESCUE OF ST. VINCENT VII CREW**

The Ministry of Defence wishes to advise that the surviving five of the six-member crew of the fishing vessel ST VINCENT VII were retrieved from the MV MARVEL KITE by members of the Vincentian Coast Guard at a rendezvous point at around 10:22 PM on 22nd July instant and transported to the Kingstown Cruise Ship Terminal, St Vincent.

Upon arrival in St. Vincent, the surviving crewmen had their vitals checked and were thereafter taken by ambulance to the Milton Cato Memorial Hospital for further examination and treatment.

At around 11:23 PM last night, Mr. Anthony Murray was formally pronounced dead by Dr. Snaggs and his body taken to the morgue of the aforementioned hospital.

The Ministry wishes to advise that upon discharge from hospital, arrangements have been made by the Fisheries Department to have the surviving crewmen to be accommodated at the Cobblestone Hotel in Kingstown.

The Prime Minister, the Honorable Kamla Persad Bissessar SC and the Government of Trinidad and Tobago wishes to express its gratitude to the

Government and people of St. Vincent for providing yeoman service and for all courtesies and considerations graciously extended to us at this difficult time.

The Ministry of Defence will provide further updates regarding the return of the surviving crewmen and the body of Mr. Anthony Murray in the coming hours.

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