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Galleons Passage to boost domestic tourism

Tourism Minister the Hon. Randall Mitchell says domestic tourism got a big boost today with the official introduction of the Galleons Passage on the inter-island ferry service.

The Ministry of Tourism expects a resurgence in inter-island tourism to result from a service that is affordable, convenient, comfortable and reliable. Minister Mitchell states, "The attractions of each island are once again more accessible to residents of the other. Those of us in Trinidad can better enjoy Tobago's world class leisure offerings and those in Tobago can more easily visit Trinidad for business or other reasons."

The passengers on the maiden commercial voyage of the Galleons Passage expressed their gratitude for the introduction of the new vessel. They added that the four hour sailing from Port of Spain to Scarborough was smooth and the service was professional. Officials from the National Infrastructure Development Company Ltd. (NIDCO) and Media accompanied Minister of Works and Transport, Sen. the Hon. Rohan Sinanan on the voyage.

The Galleons passage can accommodate seven hundred passengers and one hundred vehicles per trip. The vessel sails on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays departing 6:00 a.m. from Port of Spain and 4:00 p.m. from Scarborough. The return fare is \$100 per adult and \$75.00 per cargo trip.

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