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NEWS RELEASE:

MINISTER MEETS WITH PTA REPRESENTATIVES

Today, Senator the Honourable Hazel Manning, Mrs. Marlene Juman, Deputy Permanent Secretary and a team of Ministry officials from the Education Facilities Management Division (EFMD) met with Mr. Sterling Bailey, Mrs. Cheryl Lacroix and Ms Joanne Chadee-Lewis, representatives of the Parent-Teacher Association for St Finbar Girls' R.C School.

The subject for discussion was the physical condition of the annex, which houses students of St Finbar Girls' R.C School.

*After hearing the plight of the parents, a decision was made that the Ministry's team would hold a further meeting with officials of the Catholic Board, NIPDEC, PTA representatives, the School Principal and School Supervisors from the Ministry of Education.

The construction project for this school is being managed by NIPDEC. The steel frame for the building is being fabricated off-site and will be erected on-site in approximately two weeks.

The project is scheduled to be completed within four months.



At the meeting today, Minister Manning expressed her disappointment at the use of Primary School students in the protest and asked that parents set a better example for their children.

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Note: Details of the next meeting is still being worked out.

