



### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **Honoring the Life and Legacy of Maurice Bishop Institute of the Black World Leads Delegation to Grenada**

**Dr. Ron Daniels**, President of the Institute of the Black World 21st Century (IBW), and **Don Rojas**, IBW's **Director of Communications and International Relations**, will lead a delegation of distinguished civil and human rights leaders, scholars, activists and journalists on a solidarity visit to Grenada to participate in the **commemorative** activities honoring the life and legacy of former **Prime Minister Maurice Bishop** who was murdered, along with several of his colleagues, in a bloody military coup on Oct. 19th, 1983. For the first time since **Bishop's** assassination, the Grenada government has declared Oct. 19th a public holiday and a day of mourning and reflection.

The IBW delegation is a follow-up to the historic State of the Black World Conference V, convened in Baltimore in April of this year where **Prime Minister Dickon Mitchell** delivered an inspiring tribute to **Maurice Bishop** as one of the highlights of the proceedings. "I am thrilled that **PM Mitchell** has taken the lead in resurrecting the legacy of **Maurice Bishop**, Prime Minister of the People's Revolutionary Government as a powerful model of people-based, participatory engagement in the affairs of the state," **Dr. Daniels** said. "It is an example which can and will inspire a new generation of leaders in the Caribbean and the Pan Africa World. We in IBW look forward to working with **PM Mitchell** and civil society organizations in advancing this process," he concluded.

### **Institute of the Black World 21st Century Delegation to Grenada**

List of Participants

- **Dr. Ron Daniels**, President, Institute of the Black World 21st Century (IBW), Convenor, Pan-African Unity Dialogue (PAUD), Convener, National African American Reparations Commission (NAARC)
- **Mr. Don Rojas**, IBW's Director of Communications and International Relations, former Director of Communications, National Association of Colored People (NAACP) USA, Press Secretary, PM Maurice Bishop and the People's Revolutionary Government of Grenada
- **Ms. Mary France-Daniels**, Retired Educator, Secretary and First Lady of IBW
- **Dr. Claire Nelson**, Black Futurist, President of the Institute of Caribbean Studies, Founder of Caribbean American Heritage Month, USA
- **Mr. James Early**, Former Smithsonian Institution Assistant Secretary for Education and Public Service, Expert and Advocate for Afro-Descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, International Affairs Analyst
- **Mr. Herb Boyd**, Journalist, Senior Staff Writer, New York Amsterdam News, Award Winner Author, Political Commentator
- **Rev. Dr. Herbert Daughtry**, Bishop Emeritus, House of the Lord Churches, USA, Co-Founder, National Black United Front, Author, Noted Civil Rights, Human Rights Leader
- **Mr. Milton Allimadi**, Editor/Publisher, The Black Star News, Assistant Professor of Journalism, Columbia University, Charter Member, Pan African Unity Dialogue (PAUD)
- **David Abdulah**, Economist, Founder and Leader, Movement for Social Justice, Political Commentator, a Leader of Federation of Independent Trade Unions and NGO, Trinidad and Tobago

**Dr. Daniels** will be available for media interviews prior to his departure for Grenada on Friday, Oct. 13 and Saturday, Oct. 14. To arrange an interview, contact [editors@ibw21.org](mailto:editors@ibw21.org) or call 410-844-1031