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REMARKS

at the

De La Rue Scholarship Award Ceremony

by

Ewart S. Williams
Governor, Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago
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Salutations:

**Mr. Damian Kwiatkowski, Regional Manager, Caribbean, De La Rue
Currency**

Representative of the University of the West Indies

Representatives of the Senior Management and Management Team

Our Guest of Honour

Representatives of the Media

I am delighted to be taking part in this third De La Rue Scholarship award ceremony and I thank all those who have made this possible.

My sincere appreciation to Thomas De La Rue and company, our long-time currency suppliers for being good corporate citizens; and thanks to Mr. Kwiatkowski for making the trip to be present for this award ceremony.

Thanks to the University of the West Indies, and in particular, the Social Sciences faculty, for their continued support and endorsement of this scholarship initiative and to the university staff who took the time to formulate and participate in a rigorous selection process.

Congratulations to Mr. Kester Guy, a most deserving winner of the third De La Rue Scholarship. We are confident that you will continue to work as hard as you have been in the past.

And thanks to the Central Bank staff for all the work you have done to make this possible.

We at the Bank are proud to be a part of this scholarship initiative. We consider it an honour to be able to contribute to the academic development of the nation's finest scholars, and we believe that this type of investment will be long-term one as regards the government's vision for 2020.

Over the years, we have seen some of the best and brightest minds migrate to other countries in search of employment and other opportunities because what they were looking for was lacking in our country. But thanks to the cooperation of De La Rue and the University of the West Indies, we can come together to make the idea of remaining in our twin-island republic a more lucrative one.

This is why the Bank believes that it is in its own, as well as in the national interest to do what it can to promote the expansion to tertiary education and specifically, graduate studies.

Other points:

Kester is the first male to receive such an award. This in light of the fact that not many men excel academically.

Kester is from Tobago (use stuff from his bio here).

Mention a few facts from last year's speech about the particulars of the De La Rue Scholarship.