



BARBADOS TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING SOCIETY

Date: 23 October 2012
From: President - Barbados Town and Country Planning Society
To: The Director – Caribbean Network for Urban and Land Management
RE: **Letter of Support for CNULM / APA / ICOMOS Project on Historic Preservation**

Dear Dr. Mohammed,

The Barbados Town and Country Planning Society is pleased to learn of the CNULM interest in conducting an analysis of historic preservation in the city of Bridgetown, as part of a comparative research on built heritage preservation and UNESCO world heritage sites in the Caribbean. The stated objectives of the CNULM / APA / ICOMOS project are in keeping with the existing development thrust of reducing the carbon footprint, building a green economy, and resource efficiency by promoting greater accessibility and connectivity within the city of Bridgetown.

The outputs of this timely project will provide the Barbados Town and Country Planning Society with baseline data on Bridgetown's built heritage which would be shared with the appropriate regulatory planning agencies. It will also promote a greater understanding of the issues involved in effectively managing and integrating the city's heritage sites into the overall sustainable development of Bridgetown. This will allow for constructive inputs and recommendations on how Bridgetown's historic core can be strengthened and promoted as a model for sustainable development, which can be replicated in the historic regional centres within Barbados such as Holetown and Speightstown.

The Barbados Town and Country Planning Society is open to facilitating the CNULM /APA / ICOMOS research team in conducting research related activities in the city of Bridgetown. We would be pleased to assist in providing contact information for the key local stakeholders, who in turn would be able to secure existing policy documents and legislation for review by the research team. The Barbados Town and Country Planning Society welcomes the opportunity to work with the CNULM/ APA/ ICOMOS research team on this project in an effort to promote a more sustainable city of Bridgetown.

Sincerely yours

Barbados Town and Country Planning Society