



SAVING LIVES... PRESERVING LIFESTYLES

Response to Minister Imbert's comments on the breathalyzer at the post cabinet press conference on Thursday 12th November, 2009.

ARRIVE ALIVE maintains that anything short of implementation, meaning anything short of Law Enforcement agents on the roads with breathalyzer units conducting routine breathalyzer tests (RBTs) with the support of the appropriate legal framework to charge, detain and, ultimately prosecute those who would so callously endanger lives on our Nation's roadways by driving under the influence of alcohol, remains unacceptable, and would unfortunately represent similar, well documented, past statements of repeated rhetoric.

It was reported in August of 2007 that Minister Imbert, made a statement to a daily newspaper that Law Enforcement should be on the roads with breath test devices by October of that year (2007). In December of 2007 he stated that the new breathalyzer legislation should be proclaimed by January of the following year (2008).

On August 26th, 2009, in a Meeting with ARRIVE ALIVE, Minister Imbert promised that breathalyzer legislation among other things (radar gun and seatbelt legislation) would become law by October 31st, 2009.

The Lives of the population of Trinidad and Tobago are our most valuable National resource. Every available step must be immediately taken to protect and preserve the Lives of Trinbagonians through effective measures that have been proven the world over in the past three decades. We remain available to assist in realizing the implementation of any and all measures that will save and preserve Life within our beloved Nation.

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