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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

CONTRACTOR GENERAL CONCLUDES INVESTIGATIONS INTO CONTRACT AWARD ACTIVITIES OF FOUR PUBLIC BODIES

Contractor-General, Greg Christie, has announced that his Office has just concluded special investigations into the procurement activities of the Social Development Commission, the Sports Development Foundation, the Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation (KSAC) and the Portmore Municipality.

The investigations were commenced by the Office of the Contractor-General last year.

"In accordance with the provisions of the Contractor-General Act, I have submitted the investigation reports to the principal officers of the relevant Public Bodies which have been investigated and to the Ministers having responsibility therefor. The reports were delivered under cover of letter, dated April 25, 2006," Christie said.

The Contractor-General said that the reports for the Social Development Commission and the Sports Development Foundation were submitted to Prime Minister, the Hon. Portia Simpson-Miller, while the reports for the Kingston & St. Andrew Corporation (KSAC) and

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the Portmore Municipality were submitted to the Minister of Local Government and

Environment, the Hon. Dean Peart.

"In light of our findings, I have also formally conveyed copies of all four Investigation

Reports to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate,

and have asked for them to be laid before Parliament."

"A copy of one of the reports has also been forwarded to the Auditor General, Mr. Adrian

Strachan, with a recommendation for certain actions to be taken by the Auditor General's

Department," Mr. Christie stated.

The Contractor-General has confirmed that once the reports are laid before Parliament,

full Contractor-General's website they will be published in on the at

http://www.ocg.gov.jm/ocg/.

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