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FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY SADDENED BY THE PASSING OF FORMER HONORARY CONSUL AND ADVERTISING PIONEER HONOURABLE ARNOLD J. FOOTE, JNR.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade and its Missions overseas are expressing sadness at the passing of former Honorary Consul and advertising pioneer, Honourable Arnold J. Foote, Jnr., OJ.

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Senator the Honourable Kamina Johnson Smith in expressing deep regret at Mr. Foote's passing, reflected in particular on his dedicated service as Dean of the Consular Corps and as Honorary Consul for Turkey in Jamaica. She said, "Mr. Foote was a true patriot and a visionary. He was responsible for the elevation of the visibility and public recognition of the value of Honorary Consuls as important interlocutors in the promotion of relationships with Jamaica's bilateral partners."

Minister Johnson Smith noted that Mr. Foote also contributed significantly to the field of consular relations when he was elected President of the World Federation of Consuls in 2006, explaining "This move saw his continued advocacy for appropriate recognition of the critical role that Consuls played in the strengthening of cooperation among countries and the conduct of diplomacy".

Johnson Smith added that Mr. Foote was truly an outstanding Jamaican, who dedicated his life to the pursuit of excellence in the field of advertising. His efforts in that industry laid the foundation for the professional and ethical standards that shaped the development of the field in Jamaica.

The Foreign Minister concluded, "On behalf of the Government of Jamaica, I take this opportunity to extend our sincere condolences to Mrs. Foote, his children and the rest of the family as you grieve the loss of a husband, father and grandfather."