

# 3M Wins Contract to Supply Identity Document Issuance Systems to the Caribbean Community

- Exclusive 3M Technologies Aid Agencies with Secure Visa Issuance Procedure -

3M today announced it has won a contract to supply the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) with a visa issuance system using the 3M Identity Document Issuance Systems (IDIS). The 3M IDIS software for producing ICAO-compliant passports and visas, drivers' licenses and other identity cards is a highly secure, sophisticated identity document issuance system.

As the Caribbean readies itself to host the world for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2007, consulates of Barbados, Jamaica, and Trinidad and Tobago will use the 3M IDIS to improve visa security and issuance efficiency. As many as 100,000 machine readable visas will be issued in the months leading up to the tournament. Exclusive 3M technologies help ensure that travel visas are issued only by authorized sources to only those who are entitled. Once issued, security features within the travel document help prevent alteration or tampering.

"CARICOM needed to quickly put into place procedures and technologies that would improve visa security and ease the congestion anticipated at consulates," said Lancelot Selman, director, CARICOM IMPACS. "We are confident 3M can rapidly deploy a comprehensive, turnkey issuance system for our multiple sites around the world. This will have a positive impact on the security of our countries and those who visit them."

"With its flexible architecture, full auditing capabilities, including duplicate issuance prevention and biometric capabilities, 3M IDIS is an ideal solution," said Rich Sanders, business manager, 3M Security Systems Division. "A user interface with a methodical workflow ensures all the proper checks have been performed, yet is friendly enough to allow novice users to be rapidly trained. 3M is pleased to support CARICOM in its efforts to ensure that the Cricket World Cup is a successful and peaceful international sporting competition."

3M brings more than 30 years of experience, a global presence, technical innovation and a strong customer focus to the secure document marketplace. Our solutions cover a broad spectrum of enhanced travel and border security, including document issuance and border management.

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