23rd September, 2014

To:- All Media Houses, Jamaica
From:- The Jamaican Bar Association

Attention:- The Editors

Dear Sirs,

Re:- The Murder of Constable James Grant on 22nd September, 2014.

The members of the Jamaican Bar Association are horrified by the murder of Constable James Grant while on duty in the August Town Community of St. Andrew on 22nd September. We offer our deepest condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Constable Grant, who at age 35 was in the prime of his life.

All right thinking Jamaicans must collectively condemn this senseless and vicious act against those in our society who are called upon to serve, protect and reassure. Constable Grant has laid down his life in service to his country and community and we call upon the Jamaica Constabulary Force to investigate, detain, arrest, charge and bring his killer(s) to justice.

The Jamaican Bar Association categorically denounces and condemns any acts of violence in any form against officers of the security forces. We view any murder wherever and by whomever as an attack on the Rule of Law.

Finally, we encourage the members of the Jamaican Constabulary Force not to be distracted or discouraged in the carrying out of their sworn duties by this vicious and cowardly murder of their colleague and friend. The legacy and memory of Constable Grant and all other officers who lost their lives in the line of duty demand no less.

Yours sincerely,

JAMAICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
DONOVAN C. WALKER-PRESIDENT