

## ***PNM RETURNS WITH STRONGER MAJORITY***



***Political Leader of the People’s National Movement (PNM) Patrick Manning (r) is sworn in by President George Maxwell Richards for a third successive term as Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago.***

The People’s National Movement (PNM) emerged victorious once again in the General Elections held in Trinidad and Tobago on Monday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The PNM won twenty-six (26) of the forty-one (41) seats contested with the United National Congress (UNC) capturing the remaining fifteen (15) seats. The Congress of the People (COP), the other major party contesting the Elections failed to win a single seat.

***“As Prime Minister, I give the solemn assurance that, in word and deed, mine will continue to be an Administration for all the people of our beloved country. (Excerpt from the swearing in address of the Hon. Patrick Manning, Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, Nov. 07, 2007)***

On the night of the Elections amidst widespread celebration, PNM Political Leader, Mr. Patrick Manning thanked the voting population for giving his party a renewed and strengthened mandate to govern the affairs of Trinidad and Tobago for yet another five (5)-year term. He also advised the thousands gathered that for the first time in the history of the country, the official swearing-in ceremony would be held at Woodford Square on Wednesday November 7, 2007 in order that members of the public could be an integral part of the proceedings.

At the ceremony, Prime Minister Patrick Manning, in the presence of all the contesting PNM candidates, dignitaries and an attentive and hugely partisan crowd, hastened to reassure the population that victimization was not on the agenda of the victorious PNM.

He reaffirmed the commitment of his newly sworn-in Government to continue aggressively with its policies and programs as outlined in their manifesto in the quest to achieve developed nation status by the year 2020. The Prime Minister also invited the population to work assiduously and in harmony with the Government, to realize this aspiration for a better society for all.