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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Media Houses

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DATE: December 15, 2011

SUBJECT: 2011 ASAJ Christmas Open Swimming Championships

The Annual ASAJ Christmas Open Swimming Championships will be held at the National Stadium Swimming Pool over the weekend of Friday, December 16th to Sunday December 18th, 2011. The Meet will be run over three (3) Sessions with the Friday evening Session starting at 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday there will be two (2) morning Sessions only commencing at 9:00 a.m. both days.

One hundred and sixty (160) swimmers from five (5) local Swim Clubs have entered the Meet. Overseas based swimmers including National Senior Record Holder in more than one event, Brad Hamilton, multiple CCCAN Gold medalists, Timothy Wynter and 2011 Youth Commonwealth Games finalist Matthew Chen will be participating in this Championship.

Also participating will be locally based swimmers such as 2011 Youth Commonwealth Games finalist, Breanna Roman along with National Age Group representatives, Kevauhn Campbell, Sidrell Williams, D'Agaene Clarke, Xavier Philips and Angara Sinclair.

Keen competition is expected as this Meet is the first official Qualifying Meet for swimmers hoping to gain a place on the 2012 National Age Group CARIFTA Swimming Championships Team to the CARIFTA Swimming Championships to be held in Nassau, Bahamas over the Easter weekend and also the 2012 Caribbean Islands Swimming Championships (CISC) in July of this year.

Swimmers will also be attempting to establish new Age Group Records in their current Age Group ahead of moving up to a higher Age Group effective January 1, 2012. Fifteen (15) Records were broken at last year's staging of the Meet.

The Defending Champions are Tornadoes Swim Club and they should receive stiff competition from the 'Y' Speedos and Marlins Swim Clubs, both of whom are hoping to close out the year on a high note.

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