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NEW VISA APPOINTMENT SYSTEM

The United States Embassy in Trinidad & Tobago is transitioning to a new and improved appointment system for applicants applying for a visa to come to the United States. As of Thursday, February 28, we will transition away from our current appointment system and will stop accepting fee payments at TT Post. One week later, on Thursday, March 7, 2013, a new appointment system and fee collection procedure will be in place. The U.S. Embassy strongly advises all visa applicants who have already paid the U.S. visa application fee to schedule an appointment before February 28. Please note the visa application fee will **not** increase with the coming changes.

Visa applicants who do not have an immediate need to travel should wait until after March 7th to pay the visa application fee and schedule an appointment. Specific details on this new and more convenient way for applicants to pay and schedule a visa appointment will be announced closer to the launch of the new services. The implementation of this new system is part of our efforts to continually improve our services for our visa applicants.

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