



Santo Domingo, May 31, 2019.- The Ministry of Tourism of the Dominican Republic (MITUR) is deeply saddened by the situation Mrs. Tammy Lawrence-Daley experienced. This was an isolated incident that occurred within a private complex, and in no way represents the demeanor of the Dominican people or the experience of the 6.6 million tourists who visit the Dominican Republic every year.

Both the hotel and the authorities followed all protocols for these types of situations. The Punta Cana Attorney General's Office has also confirmed that Mrs. Lawrence-Daley declined to press charges. While the hotel, the Tourist Police (CESTUR), the Public Ministry and consular representatives continue the investigation, we remain in constant communication with all parties involved, and await further updates.

The top priority for the Ministry of Tourism of the Dominican Republic, and that of the rest of the tourism industry in the country, is the wellbeing and safety of our visitors. Therefore, we will continue working closely with the corresponding authorities to maintain the highest levels of security for tourists in the country.

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About the Dominican Republic

Surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean on the north and the Caribbean Sea on the south, our lush tropical and paradisiacal country boasts nearly 1,000 miles (1,609 km) of coastline, 250 miles (402 km) of the world's top beaches, magnificent resorts and hotels, and a variety of sports, recreation and entertainment options. Here you can dance to the pulse pounding thrill of the merengue, renew in our luxurious and diverse accommodations, explore ancient relics of centuries past, delight in delicious Dominican gastronomy or enjoy ecotourism adventures in our magnificent national parks, mountain ranges, rivers and beaches. Known for our warm and hospitable people, Dominican Republic is a destination like no other, featuring astounding nature, intriguing history and rich cultural experiences like music, art and festivals, plus uniquely Dominican specialties such as cigars, rum, chocolate, coffee, merengue, amber and larimar. Dominican Republic features the best beaches, fascinating history and culture, and is a chosen escape for celebrities, couples and families alike. Visit Dominican Republic Ministry of Tourism's official website at: www.GoDominicanRepublic.com.