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30<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear friends,

## Extension of validity of Barrister's Card and related matters

It has been brought to the attention of the Bar Council that some Barristers have been denied access to their clients in the absence of their Barrister's Card or due to the fact that the card had expired. This practice is unacceptable. The Bar Council has both written and spoken to the Ag.Commissioner of Police to inform him that the card was devised for practical purposes only having no bearing on the standing or status of a Barrister and to take corrective measures to prevent such occurrences in the future.

Further, the Bar Council is pleased to inform all members of the Mauritius Bar Association that the validity of the Barrister's Card has been extended from 2 to 5 years. This would mean that when your card is renewed next it will be renewed for a period of 5 years.

Yours faithfully

Mayuri Bunwaree-Ramlackhan Secretary of the Bar Council