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### TONY WALCOTT RETIRES FROM BEC

The Barbados Employer's Confederation has announced the retirement of Executive Director, Tony Walcott who has served the organisation in this capacity since May 18, 2009.

During his tenure as Executive Director, Walcott had the distinction of serving on the ACP-EU Follow-Up Committee of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) from 2010 and will continue until October 2017. He was elected to the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) as a Deputy Member for the Employers' Group for the period 2014-2017.

Walcott is retiring from the BEC on June 30 2017 following a distinguished career in the private sector with major international corporations in both Human Resources and General Management roles. His association with the BEC dates back to the 1980s when he served on the Council, rising to the position of Second Vice President (1999 and 2008/2009). He has also served as the Employers' Representative on the Severance Payments Tribunal #4 and formerly on the Employment Rights Tribunal.

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President of the BEC, Marguerite Estwick commenting on the retirement of the Executive Director, lauded Walcott for his sterling contribution to the organization: “Tony has been a conscientious and committed leader within the BEC for four decades. A skillful industrial relations negotiator and knowledgeable advocate for employers, Tony has played a major role in the Social Partnership and the development of new labour legislation. He has also sought to promote professional human resource management practices within the private sector.

The BEC has benefitted from his extensive experience and strong administrative skills during his tenure as Executive Director and he has also represented Barbados admirably in the international arena.” Estwick added.

Estwick disclosed that the BEC would be advertising to fill the position of Executive Director.

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