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TRINIDAD & TOBAGO FILM MAKES CANNES DEBUT

The film 'Trafficked' will make its European premier in April

PORT-OF-SPAIN, TRINIDAD– April 1, 2016 – As the Trinidad & Tobago film industry continues to thrive, the beautiful twin island Republic is thrilled to announce that *Trafficked*, the award winning film from Trinidad & Tobago will make its European Premiere at the 13th Festival International du Film PanAfricain de Cannes from April 16th - April 20th, 2016.

Trafficked, a 72-minute feature film, directed by Sean Hodgkinson and presented by Eye On Dependency and Quirky Films, centers around a trio of vacationing friends on a picture perfect Caribbean beach, who are seduced into a dangerous con when they become involved with a charismatic stranger.

Inspired by true events - as told to Garth and Natasha St. Clair on their award winning radio program, Eye on Dependency - the film seeks to raise awareness about the dangers of drug trafficking in the Caribbean. Executive Producer St. Clair adds, "The film captures almost perfectly the ills and dangers of Human and Drug Trafficking. *Trafficked* is not only a fantastic and hair raising film, but it is an important crime fighting tool and shows the darker side of what people believe is a tropical paradise."

Trafficked has been subtitled into both Spanish and English, and the team is diligently working on subtitling the film into French for the festival release.

Trafficked first premiered at the trinidad +tobago film festival in September 2015 and earned the title for Best Local Feature Film. The award winning film was also featured at the following film festivals:

- Bahamas International Film Festival 2015
- Festival Internacional del Nuevo Cine Latinoamericano 2015
- Festival del Global Cine Dominicano 2015
- Martinique International Film Festival 2015
- Pan African Film Festival 2016
- Festival International du Film PanAfricain de Cannes 2016
- New Voices in Black Cinema 2016

About Trinidad & Tobago

Home to the largest Carnival celebration in the Caribbean, Trinidad & Tobago is the southernmost Caribbean nation located seven miles east off the Venezuelan coast. Ranked the happiest nation in the Caribbean by the United Nations' [World Happiness Report](#), in 2013 and 2015, the destination's distinct and harmonious blend of cultures, eclectic cuisine and eco-adventure activities continue to attract travelers of all ages to its shores. Birthplace of the limbo and the world famous steelpan, the only-acoustic instrument invented in the 20th century, as well as a diverse mix of monthly [festivals and events](#), it's little wonder that Trinidad is known as the 'cultural capital of the Caribbean.' Sister island Tobago offers a quintessential Caribbean vibe with secluded beaches, quaint villages, private villas and award-winning environmental treasures. Tobago is home to the largest brain coral in the Western Hemisphere and the oldest protected reserve in the Western hemisphere, The Main Ridge Rainforest. Come explore Trinidad & Tobago - the true Caribbean. For more information on Trinidad & Tobago, visit www.goTrinidadandTobago.com or www.visit Tobago.gov.tt.