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GROUNDBREAKING INTIMATE CONVICTION VOLUME DEMONSTRATES COMMITMENT OF GLOBAL FAITH LEADERS TO LGBTQ RIGHTS

Examining the role of the church and anti-sodomy laws across the Commonwealth

KINGSTON, Jamaica October 2, 2018 — One year after the groundbreaking "Intimate Conviction" conference, which examined the role of the church in establishing and maintaining anti-gay laws in Commonwealth countries, an edited volume of some of the conference presentations is now available. Being launched in Kingston, the volume will serve as an important tool to assist in the repeal of anti-LGBTQ laws across the Commonwealth.

WHO: Maurice Tomlinson, Senior Policy Analyst, Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network

Very Rev. Fr. Sean Major-Campbell, Rural Dean of Kingston

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- **WHAT:** Launch of *Intimate Conviction* volume, analysing the church and anti-sodomy laws across the Commonwealth.
- WHEN: Thursday, October 4, 2018. 6:00-8:00 p.m. Remarks to begin at 6:15 p.m.
- WHERE: Courtleigh Hotel and Suites (Blue Mahoe Suite), 85 Knutsford Boulevard, Kingston 5, Jamaica

The event is free of charge and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Interviews with panelists are available on request.

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