



Profile

Hon. Phillip Paulwell, M.P.
Minister of Industry, Technology, Energy, & Commerce
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Hon. Phillip Paulwell has been Member of Parliament for East Kingston and Port Royal constituency, and a member of the Cabinet since 1997 election. He is currently the Minister of Industry, Technology, Energy & Commerce.

Prior to this, Mr. Paulwell served as Minister of State in the Ministry of Industry, Investment and Commerce before being promoted to Minister of Commerce and Technology. His major achievements include the liberalization of Jamaica's telecommunications sector and the promotion of information and communication technologies as the engine of growth for sustainable development.

He was the recipient of the 2000 Gleaner Honour Award for implementing historic measures to break the 25-year telecommunications monopoly and introduce competition in the telecommunications sector. The liberalization of the sector has so far resulted in significant investments in wireless telephony and the generation of tremendous opportunities in the Information Technology and telecommunications sectors.

He was also recognized by the editors of US Black Engineer and Information Technology Magazine as one of the 50 Most Important Blacks in Technology, 2005.

Other major achievements of the Minister are:

- Increased consumer advocacy and protection
- The liberalization of the motor vehicle trade and the licensing of Used Car Dealers
- Promotion of CARICOM Trade
- Attraction of increased Foreign Direct Investments
- Enhanced Information Technology training, and
- The continued building of a national information infrastructure