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Ambitious Student Meets Chief Minister



Petrena Ellis-Morgan, a Jamaican international student from The International Business School was recently invited to meet the Islands' Chief Minister, Donald Gelling.

Petrena is a student on the school's MBA programme and was delighted to receive the invite from the Chief Minister who had read her profile in a recent copy of "The Brief", The IBS newsletter. Petrena had stated in her profile that her ambition is to become the youngest Prime Minister of

Jamaica and it was this aspiration that inspired the Chief Minister to want to meet Petrena and give her an insight to how the Manx government works.

As well as enjoying an open discussion with the chief minister, Petrena was also invited to attend and observe the first parliamentary session in the newly refurbished 'Wedding Cake' as the guest of the Chief Minister. Petrena was especially interested in the presentation by Treasury Minister, Mr Alan Bell of the Budget for 2006-7.

Petrena was excited and bolstered by the experience and commented that,

"The Chief Minister and his team exhibit energy and foresight. It was fascinating to learn how he has implemented modern economic models to turn the Isle of Man into one of the leading offshore business sectors of the world. I was especially impressed by his active role in elevating women to senior level positions. I am now even more certain of my conviction to pursue my career goal."

Petrena chose the Isle of Man and the business school as her ideal choice of venue to study her MBA;

"...It provides and affordable education and opportunity to interact with students and staff from varied cultural and political backgrounds in an environment which affords close study of a unique and prosperous political structure."

Petrena enjoyed what was both an informative and memorable visit. The IBS looks forward to charting Petrena's career and has high hopes that she will become the first IBS alumnus to achieve high political office!

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