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Bogle's death is a tragedy of immense proportion - Chang

“**There is too much violence in Jamaica**”, were the words of a disheartened Minister of National Security, the Hon. Dr. Horace Chang, who visited the community of August Town, where Susan Bogle was shot and killed on Wednesday, May 27.

“**Ms. Bogle's death is a tragedy of immense proportion**”, said Minister Chang as he expressed condolences to the family of the deceased.

He added that the Government is deeply concerned about the level of violence in August Town, owing to a resurgence of major violence in the community.

While condemning the tendency to settle differences with violence, the Minister reiterated that the Ministry of National Security will be taking a new strategic approach to social intervention in communities. He added that even though a lot is being done by the Commissioner of Police to make adjustments to improve the efficiency of the police, “**it is a matter of refocusing social intervention in a very specific way, as we gain the confidence of the community, disrupt the activities of gangs and criminals who are on a road of disruption, mayhem and killing**”.

He pointed out that the Ministry will be engaging the law abiding citizens in communities to assist in reversing the trend of violence, prevent fear and ensure safety and security of residents. The minister said this move will effectively “**weed out more guns, prosecute criminals and get them out of the community**”.

Amid allegations concerning the involvement of the Jamaica Defence Force in the shooting death of Susan Bogle, the Independent Commission of Investigations (INDECOM) continues to investigate and urges anyone with information to contact their offices.

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