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TEN-ROUND GUN SALUTE FOR SIR FLORIZEL

KINGSTON, Dec. 1 (JIS):

The Jamaica Defence Force (JDF) will fire a ten-round gun salute on Tuesday, December 5, the day of the State funeral for former Governor General, Sir Florizel Glasspole.

Each round of gunfire signals one decade in the life of Sir Florizel, who died at the age of 91 on November 25. Sir Florizel served as Governor-General from 1973 to 1990.

The first gun salute will be fired as the bearer party exits the Coke Methodist Church on Church Street in downtown Kingston, where the funeral service will be held beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Thereafter nine other rounds will be fired at equal intervals, with the last one occurring as the bearer party arrives at the graveside at the Providence Methodist Church at Liguanea, Old Hope Road.

Members of the public should not be alarmed at the sound of the gunfire as this is only a salute to the late Governor-General.

The guns will be mounted at the Sts. Peter and Paul Preparatory School on Munroe Road, near the Providence Methodist Church.

Gun salutes are customarily observed at State or Official funerals and State visits.

In addition, 96 members of the JDF will mount a Guard of Honour in front of the Coke Methodist Church. An Honour guard will be formed at each side of the entrance to the Providence Methodist Church ending at the approach to the cemetery.

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