

By his non-confrontational approach to national issues and problems, he has created a new harmony in our society among all sectors. He has made a sustained effort to communicate directly with the people in a genuine desire to hear their concerns and opinions - and do something about them.

He has made us understand that each one of us is capable of playing a positive role in our nation's life. Jamaicans have welcomed his fresh, straightforward and hard-working approach to the task of leading the nation during this difficult time. He has truly demonstrated that each of us can make a difference and, by so doing, he has made a difference.

P. J. Patterson has demonstrated that he is indeed a man from the people, a man for the people.

P. J. Patterson P.C., Q.C., M.P.
 Attorney at Law
 President,
 People's National Party

- Born in 1935 to Henry Patterson, Farmer and Ina James, Primary School Teacher, both from Hanover.

- **Education:**
 - Somerton Primary School, St. James

- Calabar High School, Kingston
- University of the West Indies, Mona
- London School of Economics, London, England

- **Professional:**

- Called to the Bar, Middle Temple, London - 1963
- Admitted to the Jamaican Bar - 1963
- Called to the Inner Bar as Queen's Counsel - 1984

- **Service to the PNP:**

- Party Organiser - 1958 - 1960
- Member Constituency Executive
- Member National Executive Council
- Member Party Executive
- Vice President - 1969 - 1982
- Elected to the House of Representative as Member for South East Westmoreland - 1970, 1972, 1976, 1989
- Campaign Director for General Elections - 1972, 1976, 1989
- Party Chairman - 1983 - 1992
- Party President - 1992 -

- **Service to the State:**

- Senator - 1967 - 1970
- Leader of Opposition Business in the Senate - 1969 - 1970
- Minister of Industry and Tourism - 1972 - 1977
- Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade - 1978 - 1980
- Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Development, Planning and Production - 1989 - 1990
- Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning - 1990 - 1991
- Prime Minister - 1992 -
- Appointed Member of Queen's Privy Council - 1993

- **International Experience:**

- Student Representative at overseas conferences
- Member/Head of Delegation of innumerable international conferences including:
 - * United Nations General Assembly
 - * Member, UN Security Council
 - * UNDP
 - * UNCTAD
 - * GATT
 - * SELA
 - * ECLA
 - * Organisation of American States
 - * International Monetary Fund
 - * World Bank
 - * Inter-American Development Bank
 - * Paris Club
 - * Commonwealth Conferences
 - * CARICOM
 - * EEC - (he is acknowledged as one of the principal architects of LOME Convention)
 - * Group of 15
 - * Rio Group

- **Hobbies and interests:**
 Sports, Music, Reading

- **Personal:**
 Religion - Baptist
 Father of two children - a son and a daughter
 Marital status - divorced

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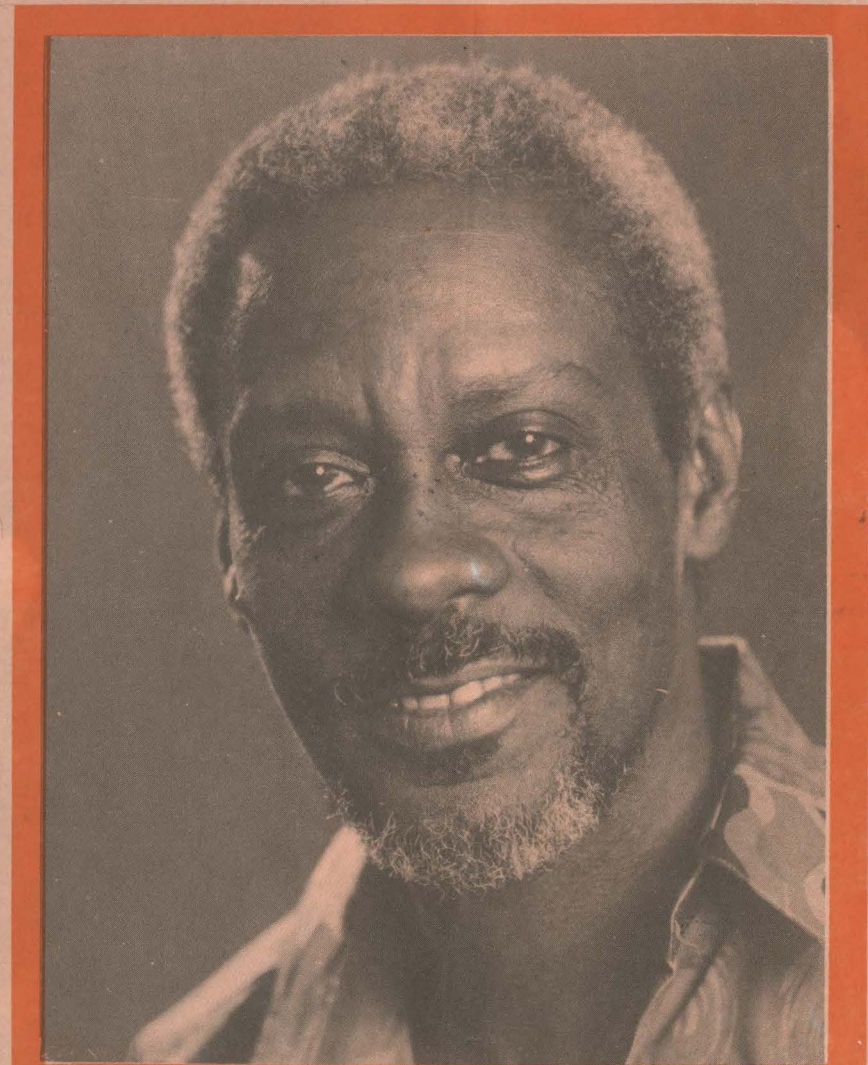
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B/N PATTERSON, P. J.



PEOPLE'S NATIONAL PARTY



P. J. Patterson P.C., Q.C., M.P.



FROM THE PEOPLE

A review of P. J. Patterson's first year as Prime Minister of Jamaica reveals a year of solid achievement, which can be measured in quantitative as well as qualitative terms.

He came to office by first being elected President of the People's National Party and then being appointed Prime Minister.

He brought to the position thirty solid years of experience in the law, politics and government; he also brought a firm conviction that he could, through the political process, make a difference to the quality of life of the people of the land of his birth, a cause to which he has dedicated his life.

In his own words:

"I committed myself, very early in life, to the cause of helping the political and social advancement of my country"

and

"...it is through the proper exercise of political power that one is able to achieve justice..."

During this first year, we have seen the dollar stabilised and a welcome environment of confidence prevails in the business and financial sectors as well as in the society as a whole.

He has provided exemplary leadership:

In this difficult period, during which we have liberalised the currency and embarked on transforming our economy, he has demonstrated that he truly understands the problems faced by the majority of the people as we go through this period of change. He has sought to encourage the nation to take heart in the fact that this is a temporary situation and that, once the period of transition is over, we will reap the benefits of the sacrifice which we are all making.

He is fully conscious of his role as the leader of a team of ministerial, parliamentary and political colleagues.

He has always sought consensus on all matters, always in consultation with the

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groups and sectors affected by the issues.

He has overseen:

- a legislative programme which has begun a systematic modernisation of our economic and social systems;
- a human resource development policy that has included a clearly articulated education policy and a meaningful increase in teachers' salaries, in order to encourage the best to enter and remain in the profession;
- a policy of making special provision for the young, the elderly and the disadvantaged;
- a policy of ensuring that funds are available at concessionary interest rates and with less stringent collateral requirements, to ensure that small and micro business persons can increase their earnings through investment;
- a policy of preservation of our environment;
- reform of the local government system so that people will be able to determine for themselves how best to develop their communities;
- the encouragement of professionalism and integrity in the security forces, one important aspect of dealing with the problem of crime;
- a charter to enable Jamaicans overseas to participate in the development of their country;
- an international relations policy that has strengthened our ties with the countries of the Caribbean and of the South, while maintaining relations with the developed countries.

He has served as a source of inspiration to our people, the majority of whom are of humble origin, and who see in him the reality of the possibility of personal achievement and success in our land. He has stressed the value of decency and morality and replaced the church as an important part of national life.