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A COMMITTEE has been appointed by Cabinet to develop a comprehensive data bank and to document the history of the steelpan in a properly structured form with the aim of eventually engaging in the manufacture of steel-pans, a news release stated.

Chairman of the National Steelpan Research and Development Co-ordinating committee is Dr Stephan Gift, head of the Trinidad and Tobago Telephone Company's Research and Development Unit.

Other members of the committee are: Brian Copeland, Researcher; Richard Mc David, Cariri; Brent Maundy, UWI; Michael Cupidore, Pan Trinbago; Phillip Rochford, Managing Director, National Commercial Bank; Leon Edwards, Steelband Development

Officer, Culture Ministry and Douglas Barzey, Secretary.

The Minister of

Youth, Sport, Culture and Creative Arts Jennifer Johnson, to whom the committee will sub-

mit proposals, has been given the authority by Cabinet to co-opt members to the committee.