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SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS GENERATES FIERY RESPONSES

Following a public demonstration and finger-pointing media statements between the Government and the Opposition, the proposal for legislators to get supplemental insurance coverage was halted.

The situation stems from the fact that an RFP (Request For Proposals) was issued to seek insurance coverage to provide supplemental medical coverage for past and present legislators. However, the matter drew public scrutiny and resulted in two private citizens doing a public protest throughout the streets of Tortola during the weekend. This protest, which was aired on social media attracted public interest on the matter and resulted in the Opposition issuing a statement explaining that they were not a party to the decision to put the RFP out.



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However, the Opposition's stance has been criticised by the Government who said that it was the opposition members that were pushing the extra insurance matter. Acting Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley in his effort to discredit the statement that was issued by Leader of the Opposition Hon. Marlon Penn took a swipe at the Opposition labelling their position on the matter as opportunistic.

Hon. Wheatley announced that Government has decided to halt the unpopular plan to get supplemental insurance said that he is astonished at the way the Opposition is positioning itself. "Notwithstanding the political pandering and flip-flopping from the Opposition... your Government has taken a decision to halt the tender for the insurance service for current and former HOA Members, so that we can have further deliberations among the Members of the HOA and also to consider the views of the public on the matter."

"It is your Government's position that an important matter such as how we care for our former Legislators in their golden years and

on their passing, should not be shrouded in discord and controversy. To re-emphasize the assurance given by the Hon. Premier on this matter, whatever is in the best interest of the people of the Virgin Islands will be the only course of action," Hon. Wheatley added. A commentator said that quite a few community members struggle to pay the stiff expenditure for a funeral and bury their dear departed relatives and family members.

In addition to announcing that the supplemental insurance matter is halted, Hon. Wheatley ventured onto giving a detailed account of how the matter came into being. In doing so, he further lashed out at the Opposition accusing them of twisting the facts.

Going further in his attempt to set the record straight, Hon. Wheatley pointed the finger at Second District Representative, Hon. Melvin Mitch Turnbull, who was also one of the Opposition members to cry foul at the RFP in the media. However, Hon. Wheatley announced that Hon. Turnbull who sits on the HOA's Privileges Committee, was lead on this supplemental insurance project.

The Acting Premier said, "... Members of the Opposition have been involved in this matter from its inception – and this includes the Honourable Member for the Second District, who is a part of the Privileges Committee of the House of Assembly, which first raised the matter. Given his background in insurance, he was selected as the lead Member on this matter."

The comments about Hon. Turnbull as the lead of the insurance project was also done in an 8 June statement from Junior Minister for Tourism Hon. Sharie De Castro, who is also Member of the Privileges Committee. Hon. De Castro said, "The Privileges Committee of the House of Assembly (HOA), of which I am a member, was assigned the responsibility of reviewing a proposal on supplemental health insurance for current and former HOA Members. The objective of the committee was to explore the feasibility of the recommendation made. It should also be noted that this recommendation was brought forward by the Member for the 2nd District who was also appointed as the lead on this initiative due to his expertise in the field."

Hon. De Castro mentioned the fact that Hon. Turnbull issued a letter to the House of Assembly which was then made public; the letter expressed his dissatisfaction with the matter being put to tender at this time. However, Hon. De Castro purports that Hon. Turnbull was aware that the matter was going out to tender. "What is extremely disappointing and what took me by surprise, was the blatant disregard for the facts by the Member for the 2nd District when he, seemingly motivated by the public's response, attempted to distort the facts in order to deceptively excuse himself from a collective decision of which he was the architect," Ms. De Castro said.

"In his letter, the Member for the 2nd District stated that he "made it clear" to the Speaker and the team at the Procurement Unit that he would have to write a report based on his findings as an "experienced professional in the insurance field." It should be noted, that in actuality, at no point did the Member express reservations regarding the publication of the tender document. In fact, the said Member met with the Ministry of Finance to make additional recommendations to the tender document after the document was presented to Members and prior to it being made public. Most importantly, the Member was

copied on and in some instances addressed directly in electronic correspondences at every stage during the process. Based on such circumstances, for the Member to assert that the document was finalized without his involvement and subsequently made public is grossly and maliciously mendacious," she added.

In the statement on behalf of the Opposition on 6 June Hon. Penn said that his side did not agree to the RFP. "Members of her Majesty's Loyal Opposition have expressed their disappointment and concern regarding the Request For Proposals (RFP) for private health insurance coverage for members of the House of Assembly ("HOA"), as advertised in the media, despite there being no consensus by all members of HOA to issue such notice," the Leader of the Opposition said.

However, this statement was rubbished by Hon. De Castro who said, "It is my belief, that the Leader of the Opposition also saw this as an opportunity to pose as a bystander to the process. However, the Leader of the Opposition in this instance is being disingenuous, as he too was copied on correspondence regarding the RFP and could have indicated his Opposition at any point during the process."

Labour Minister is Very Concerned about Local Economy

The dire financial situation caused by the treacherous COVID 19 pandemic has even reduced prominent businesspersons to seek financial assistance from Government to carry on; and Minister for Natural Resources Labour and Immigration Hon. Vincent Wheatley says that this is concerning, The Minister, who once again lamented how bad things are for people says he fears that persons might feel there is no hope and take drastic steps.

The Minister who prefaced his comment by stating that Virgin Islanders are proud people who do not like to beg explained that it is a clear sign that things have gotten to a very critical level when persons who would never

normally seek help are asking for money to pay for basic necessities. In fact, some once upon a time prosperous businesses are said to be an inch from receivership.

In an interview on JTV on 7 June the Minister said "BV Islanders are dignified people, we don't like to beg. Certain persons I have seen here requesting money I have seen it in my lifetime before. It tells me the economy and things are really, really bad. If it was the average person coming and say so and so is the case, but these are some established persons in the community. When they are saying I need help a red flag goes up."

While noting his worry that unspeakable actions might be taken as persons continue to feel hopeless, Hon. Wheatley stated, "My biggest concern is persons buckling under their financial pressure right now. I met with the Minister (clergy) some time back and I told the Minister we have to change the message in church because persons are hurting. The only hope they have left right now, many persons is Jesus Christ and if you take that away, if you don't preach hope in the churches and hope in the House of Assembly, and hope everywhere we are going to start losing persons. Some through stress, and some through suicide, that's my biggest concern that persons might see no end to this and decide to end it."

As he further commented on the fact that persons who would never ask for help are coming forward, the Minister said.

"When you see those persons come forward and have to face the humility, people look up to me as an established persons, and for the public to hear I am losing my property, my light is being cut, my water is shut off; that concerns me."

Hon. Wheatley said that the Government is not in a position financially to help with these areas of hurt. "The Government is not making that kind of money to really carry the country like that for much longer...I have some financial requests; they tell the story of what the state of the economy is in the BVI. A lot of persons are hurting really, really badly. I am from the Ninth District

mainly tourism - here it is over a million dollars of request from persons not just to pay bills but to buy food, buy things for their children to go to school and so forth. ...It is a very challenging time. COVID is still wreaking havoc on the entire world...The hurt is real, the story is right in front of me. I see it every day."

"The requests come to my office everyday seeking money to buy food. They are not trying to buy cellphones or jewelry they are trying to buy phones. They are trying to pay rent. They are trying to pay bills. I see it every single day. The requests come in every single day over a million dollars in requests right here now. I don't have the money," he further added.

"We should be preparing for the merciless domino effects," a commentator said.

“Take Vaccination Seriously”: UK Health Ambassador Says

As Government continues its drive to get more persons vaccinated, Minister for Health Hon. Carvin Malone has turned to the social media community to determine whether vaccination should be incentivised in the BVI.

As June moves forward and the COVID 19 vaccination effort becomes urgent Hon. Malone gave the teaser on his Facebook page in an effort to get members of the public to weigh in on whether incentivisation might be a way to get more persons to take the vaccine.

The Minister also noted that the USVI has already

commenced a similar campaign and he alluded to the fact that there was a previous lunch voucher initiative that received some criticisms. The Minister said, “\$20.00 lunch vouchers in BVI are peanuts compared to USVI’S \$1,000,000 in raffle prizes and free land distribution in other jurisdictions.”

Hon. Malone explained that some private entities in the Territory have expressed interest in giving an incentive to help to motivate persons to get vaccinated. “A number of BVI businesses are seeking permission to hold private intra company give-aways to

employees being vaccinated during the month of June. What do you think? Should the BVI Government offer monetary incentives to encourage individuals to vaccinate? It is a global challenge,” the Health Minister asked.

UK Vaccination Help

Meanwhile Government is getting some visiting help with the vaccination message as UK Health Ambassador to the Overseas Territories, Ian Cummings arrived in the Territory. One of Cummings’ main tasks during his visit was to help to dispel vaccine myths and rumors.

Cummings who did various media interviews disclosed while speaking on 284 media on 8 June that the Astra Zeneca vaccine is safe and that persons should not hesitate to become vaccinated.

The Ambassador, while commenting on the Territory’s current inoculation drive said, “There is some brilliant work being done here in the Virgin Islands to ensure that as many people take the vaccine but as you know there is more that we can do; there is definitely a degree of vaccine hesitancy. I think that’s down to the fact that people have a low perceived risk of COVID, the actual disease and a high

perceived risks of the vaccine. Unfortunately neither of those are correct. I have been present in many countries where tragically people have been dying in hospitals and nursing homes from the effects of this.”

“There is a tiny risk with the vaccine but there is a much, much greater risk of actually dying if you contract COVID... We don’t want there to be an outbreak in the Virgin Islands such as we have recently seen in Anguilla or Bermuda... where tragically people have been in intensive care and lost their lives for people to realize that they need to take this vaccine seriously,” he added.

Police To Focus On Organised Crime: Governor Says

Is organised crime a major issue in our Territory and is it to be blamed for various murders and drug busts the Territory recorded in recent times? His Excellency Governor John Rankin under whose portfolio Territorial security falls is of the opinion that it is. As such the Governor is confident that plans afoot by the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force will be able to combat any organised crime proponents in the BVI.

The Governor made the comment during an interview on 284 Media while noting some recent criminal activities. His Excellency particularly mentioned the fatal shooting of Catherine Pickering and the resulting arrest of multiple persons following allegations of a planned crime.

His Excellency said that he is aware that members of the public are anxious to see crime

combatting strides and also justice for past incidents. He said that while actions are being taken to deliver, he as a member of the Security Council has things he would like to see done as well. “My priority first of all is to tackle crime on the island; organised crime in particular and the transshipment of illicit drugs which can be corroding... to the society which we live in.”

The Governor emphasised his belief that some of the incidents that occur are planned criminal activities. “I am particularly aware of the murders which have occurred in recent months, the majority of which may well have been related to that organised crime of which I have spoken. So I welcome the steps that the Police Commissioner has taken. With UK support...we are planning to tackle that organised crime,” he said.

Prison Stabbing Incident

Speaking further on the matter of crime the Governor said that he is also concerned about the incident that occurred at Her Majesty’s Prison recently. The Queen’s Representative said that he has seen photos and heard of situations where prisoners were not acting like persons serving reformatory time.

“I saw those pictures on social media like everybody else and it was deeply worrying in terms of what appears to be alcohol, illicit drugs, gang chains being worn what was some form of party being associated at the prison. Tragically the results at the end of that weekend resulted in a number of prisoners being stabbed... loss of life is completely unacceptable,” the Queen’s Representative declared.

Following the stabbing a few days ago the Governor said that he requested an emergency NSC meeting to discuss the

matter. “I called immediately an emergency National Security Council meeting on the Monday following the events on the Sunday evening and we took a number of early decisions. First of all, to have a lock down at the prison, increase the number of prison officers supervising prisoners and secondly to launch an investigation into the events to go along with current police investigations into those events,” the Governor said.

Following the incident it was announced that two officers who were in charge when the particular events occurred have been placed on administrative leave. Nonetheless, the Governor said a deeper look into what transpired needs to be taken.

“We need that investigation to continue. The police have already made some arrests in relation to the crime which appears to have occurred, but we also more widely need to have, I believe, an external

review of security at the prison and arrangements at the prison to make sure – not just for these particular set of dreadful incidents but in longer term we can ensure better security and safety at the prison. Safety for prisoners, safety for prison officers and to give the public confidence that the prison is running properly is very high priority for me given the dreadful events of two weeks ago.”

Additionally, the Governor mentioned that there are currently 106 prisoners at Her Majesty’s Prison and there is a great need for more prison officers. “We do need to improve training for Prison Officers. We do need to improve security.” He also noted that a UK trainer will be coming to the Territory shortly to assist the Prison Superintendent and staff in that particular area.

TRC Encourages the Public to Have Their Voices Heard

The Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (Commission) has received two applications for licence renewal from CCT and Flow. The licence renewal process is governed by section 24 of the Telecommunications Act 2006 and Article 3 of the Licence. In deciding whether or not to renew a licence, the Commission must decide whether the Licensee in question has complied with its various obligations under the Act, the Telecommunications Code, the Licence, and any Commission instructions, and on whether the Licensee has been in persistent breach of any of those obligations.

The Commission is presently revising the terms and conditions of the Licence, focusing on the development of the industry and ensuring that the public's interest is protected.

Additionally, the Commission strongly encourages any interested

third party with a legitimate concern to comment on or object to the application as they believe that everyone has the right to have their voice heard. All comments on or objections to the application must be filed with the Commission on or before 30 July 2021.

All responses should be captioned 'Application for Renewal of CCT/Flow's Licence' (specify applicable Licensee) – and sent to the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission, P.O. Box 4401 or 27 Fish Lock Road, 3rd Floor Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110.

Under Article 3.3(a) of the Licence, the Commission must send to CCT and Flow an Evaluation Report (Report) within ninety (90) working days from the date of receipt of the application, which will be a matter of public record at the Commission. Accordingly, the Commission will send



the Report to CCT and Flow on 30 September 2021.

On 12th and 13th October 2021, a public hearing will be held at Maria's by the Sea for Flow and CCT, respectively, during which the licensee and any third party with a legitimate interest may make comments or objections to the application.

Participation in this hearing will be limited to those persons who submitted a relevant comment or objection to the application by the specified deadline. The Commission will publish a notice with additional details on the public hearing at a later date.

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New Toastmasters Club For Public Officers

In a first for the Virgin Islands, public officers will form a Public Service Toastmasters Club to help foster public speaking and leadership skills within the Public Service.

The Public Service Toastmasters Club has been realised through the partnership of the Deputy Governor's Office, the Department of Human Resources and the Tortola

Toastmasters Club.

Deputy Governor Mr. David D. Archer, Jr is encouraging public officers to take advantage of the opportunities Toastmasters provides.

"The science tells us that good communicators are likely to be better leaders, and every organisation needs staff with leadership potential," Mr. Archer said, adding, "This

is where Toastmasters can help. Toastmasters provides a practical framework for the development and preparation of public officers in the areas of communication, leadership and public speaking."

President Portia Stoutt said the Tortola Toastmasters Club is proud to support the Government of the Virgin

Islands with the chartering of the Public Service Toastmasters Club, which is expected to be fully operational in July 2021. Ms. Stoutt in a statement said, "We are looking forward to extending a warm welcome to public officers who are passionate about becoming better in leading and communicating, to log in to the upcoming virtual registration drive on Monday, June 7, at 10:00 a.m. on the Cisco Webex platform."

The non-profit Toastmasters International has helped more than four million people around the world become more confident public speakers by boosting their self-esteem and helping groom them for leadership since 1924.

Globally, Toastmasters recently launched a learning platform where members can select from 11 different areas of focus such as Persuasive Influence, Effective Coaching and Motivational Strategies. Each focus area guides members through a series of hands-on activities designed to challenge the members to expand and

develop their skills and abilities.

Director of Human Resources, Mrs. Michelle Donovan-Stevens, added that she welcomes the Public Service Toastmasters Club as a new and different option for public officers to acquire the practical experience and exposure needed to enhance their communication and leadership skills. She is encouraging public officers to take full advantage of this learning and development option to upskill and expand their professional repertoire.

The Deputy Governor, the Director of Human Resources and the President of the Tortola Toastmasters club will host online information sessions and a registration drive via Webex on Monday, June 7, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Potential members are invited to join the virtual drive at <https://bvigov.webex.com/bvigov/j.php?MTID=mcade793a3e57bd37e35a349aea9133c7> where they can also witness a taste of Toastmasters through presentations scheduled for 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 3:00 p.m.



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Acting in accordance with Section 5 of the Public Holidays Act (Cap 199), as amended, Cabinet has approved the following public holidays for 2021:

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BVI One Of The First Destinations To Receive Cruise Ships

Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Andrew A. Fahie met with Florida Caribbean Cruise Association (FCCA) President Ms. Michelle Paige on June 3 to discuss a safe return of the cruise industry to the British Virgin Islands.

Premier Fahie said he was pleased to have had a thorough discussion with the FCCA to fine tune what the cruising experience in the Virgin Islands will be like post COVID-19.

The Premier said, "We are not just looking at the return of the ships to the Virgin Islands. But, also about how Virgin Islanders and residents have a stake in the industry through employment with cruise liners and potential entrepreneurial ventures."



Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Andrew A. Fahie and Florida Caribbean Cruise Association President, Ms. Michelle Paige.

Meanwhile, President of the FCCA, Ms. Paige said that she was pleased to work diligently with Premier Fahie to be able to have the people of the BVI reap the full benefits of cruise tourism.

She said that the FCCA has acknowledged the commitment made by the Premier to put the necessary protocols in place to have the safe resumption of cruise ships to the BVI.

As a result, Ms. Paige said the BVI will be one of the first destinations to receive cruise ships. She added that ships will be staying in territories longer to allow passengers to have a more in depth stay in the Virgin Islands.

Ms. Paige challenged Virgin Islanders to seize the benefits that will be derived from this decision. Additionally, she advised locals to give the tourist an experience that underlines what is unique and special about the BVI including its culture, customs and foods.

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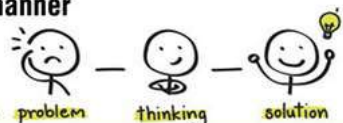
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Public Works Increases Road Maintenance And Safety Works

Acting Director of the Public Works Department, Mr. Jeremy Hodge has said that the Public Works Department (PWD) is engaged in heightened road maintenance activities in preparation for the hurricane season and to

ensure continued public safety. Mr. Hodge said the Atlantic Hurricane Season began on June 1, and will officially end on November 30. He said as the Territory works to develop its collective disaster readiness and security during this time

of increased risk, the Public Works Department plans to ensure the soundness of the Territory's infrastructure as best as possible.

"Prior to and as we officially enter the 2021 Atlantic Hurricane Season, we continue

to clear drains and gullies throughout the Territory," the Acting Director said, adding, "Road asphalt patching and some bush cutting will be more apparent as we continue to experience increased rain showers heading into the season; along with speed bump placements where safety is of concern."

Mr. Hodge indicated that while most remedial road works are initiated by the Public Works Department, the placement of speed bumps are a collaborative effort, as they are only placed in communities throughout the Territory at the request of District Representatives on behalf of the community members in an effort to mitigate concerns for safety.

The public is asked to be mindful of the movement of heavy equipment along road ways from Virgin Gorda to Jost Van Dyke and be patient with workers as they carry out the necessary road works.



Mr. Jeremy Hodge

The Department of Public Works remains committed to providing a safe, practical, efficient, economically and environmentally sound infrastructure that is well designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with recognised regional and international codes and standards and is in harmony with the Territory's social and economic goals.

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OLEANVINE MAYNARD APPOINTED MANAGING DIRECTOR OF BVI PORTS AUTHORITY

Road Town, June 04, 2021 Mrs Oleanvine Maynard is the new Managing Director of the British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA), effective 18th March 2021.

Her appointment was approved by the Cabinet of the Virgin Islands for an initial two (2) year period, in accordance with the BVI Ports Authority Board's Resolution N0. 37 of 2021

As Managing Director, Oleanvine Maynard will direct and



*Mrs. Oleanvine Maynard,
(Photo Credit: GIS)*

oversee the overall operations of Port facilities. Ports Authority Board Chairman, Mr Kelvin Hodge said, "Mrs Maynard is a dedicated, and committed professional who brings a wealth of business management and organizational experience."

"She takes over at a pivotal time in the port's

history, as we navigate out of a global health pandemic. She has demonstrated her commitment to service excellence during her time as Acting Managing Director. We are confident she will be up to the challenge of positioning the Ports for the future"

Oleanvine Maynard joined the Ports Authority in August of 2019 after serving 33 years in the public service at various senior levels. She holds a certification in Ports Security Management and Ports Management CPE. Since starting at the Ports, she has served as Deputy Managing Director and spent the last seven (7) months as Acting Managing Director, playing a vital role in coordinating and developing the Port's transformation plan and reopening during the pandemic.

Mrs Maynard takes on her new role at the Ports during a period of significant challenges due to the global pandemic, resulting in tremendous revenue loss for the Ports. Her charge is to increase efficiencies through technological implementation and facility upgrades, while forging tighter partnerships with stakeholders, joining together to expand the Ports' capabilities to meet anticipated growth and demands.



British Virgin Islands

SENIOR FIDUCIARY OFFICER May 2021

Trident Trust is a leading independent provider of corporate, trust and fund services to the financial services sector worldwide, employing 800 staff across a global footprint that spans Africa, the Americas, Asia, the Caribbean, Europe and the Middle East. We are seeking an experienced Senior Fiduciary Officer to join the Fiduciary team in the British Virgin Islands. Client-focused and service-oriented, we only employ individuals who are professionally minded, committed and able to demonstrate good interpersonal skills.

The Role

To execute, direct and coordinate all corporate and trust administration functions in the Fiduciary division. Manage a large portfolio of companies and trusts, including handling compliance, economic substance and risk matters to meet regulatory and internal requirements. Act as the principal point of contact for clients, lawyers, banks and other intermediaries. Assisting the Head of Fiduciary & Private Clients in all functions relative to the division.

Key Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will be responsible for leading, directing and co-ordinating activities within the Fiduciary division not limited to the following:

1. Coordinate and attend to all activities relating to private company structures and trust services function from formation to termination, including reviewing records and assisting with reporting obligations related to FATCA/CRS and Economic Substance matters.
2. Perform supervisory responsibilities in accordance with the organisation's needs, policies and applicable laws, including executing, planning, assigning and directing work to Fiduciary Officers, and other junior personnel within the division.
3. Prepare weekly reports and any other ad hoc reports that are requested from time to time by the Head of the Department and Directors.

Skills and Experiences

- Bachelor of Science Degree in a business-related field or equivalent qualification, professional qualification such as TEP, ACA, CPA, ICSA or ACCA.
- Minimum of 5 years' experience in the Financial Services Industry.
- Strong knowledge and understanding of trusts and managed companies and of the responsibilities and duties associated to fiduciary services.
- A sound knowledge of the BVI Financial Services Industry and the workings of the Registry of Corporate Affairs.
- Proven ability to work under pressure, work independently, to be organised and the ability to supervise a diverse team.
- Strong and proven problem solving, computer and relationship skills.
- Excellent in English verbal, telephone and written communication skills.
- The ability to communicate in Spanish would be a plus.

Compensation

Competitive compensation will be offered, based on the successful candidate's relevant experience and overall suitability for the position.

How to Apply

Applications should include a complete C.V. and will be treated in the strictest of confidence. Please clearly outline the skills and attributes you would bring to the role, your availability and salary expectations. Applications should be submitted to msmith@tridenttrust.com.

VP Bank (BVI) Ltd – Security and Innovation in private banking

Statement of comprehensive income

in USD 1,000	Notes	2020	2019
Interest income		11,080	13,196
Interest expenses		-2,344	-5,019
Net interest income	4	8,736	8,177
Fees and commission income		1,744	1,682
Fees and commission expenses		-121	-114
Net fees and commission income	5	1,623	1,568
Net trading income	6	99	99
Net operating income		10,458	9,844
Personnel expenses	7	-1,864	-1,999
General and administrative expenses	8	-1,450	-1,422
Gross income		7,144	6,423
Depreciation and impairment losses	14, 15	-306	-308
Credit loss expenses / income	9	2,409	4,778
Provisions and losses	9	3	-68
Net profit for the year		9,250	10,825
Other comprehensive income for the year			
Total comprehensive income for the year		9,250	10,825

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of financial position

in USD 1,000	Notes	31.12.2020	31.12.2019
Assets			
Cash		57	88
Due from banks	10	245,722	190,103
Due from customers	11	23,453	26,446
Mortgages	11	162,265	152,761
Derivative financial instruments	13	15	52
Property and equipment	14, 15	508	814
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	18	395	1,045
Other assets	16	509	521
Total assets		432,924	371,830
Liabilities			
Due to banks	17	755	502
Due to customers	17	365,437	307,861
Derivative financial instruments	13	14	51
Accrued expenses and deferred income	18	675	1,497
Other liabilities	15	447	597
Provisions	12	158	134
Total liabilities		367,486	310,642
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	19	10,000	10,000
General reserves	19	22,393	22,393
Retained earnings		33,045	28,795
Total shareholders' equity		65,438	61,188
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		432,924	371,830

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 27th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:


Paul H. Arni
Chairman


Nicholas Clark
Member

Figures shown audited by independent auditors.

Key figures of VP Bank Group

	2020	2019	Variance in %
Key income statement data in CHF million^{1,2}			
Total net interest income	113.6	115.1	-1.3
Total net income from commission business and services	140.0	137.2	2.1
Income from trading activities	56.6	61.0	-7.1
Income from financial instruments	7.9	14.3	-44.6
Total operating income	319.0	327.8	-2.7
Operating expenses	269.5	244.8	10.1
Group net income	41.6	73.5	-43.4
Key balance-sheet data in CHF million^{1,2}			
Total assets	13,523.4	13,399.9	0.9
Due from banks	1,784.3	735.0	142.8
Due from customers	6,281.5	6,797.3	-7.6
Due to customers	11,511.7	11,137.5	3.4
Total shareholders' equity	1,025.1	1,026.3	-0.1
Equity ratio (in %)	7.6	7.7	-1.0
Tier 1 ratio in accordance with Basel III (in %)	20.8	20.1	3.5
Leverage ratio in accordance with Basel III (in %)	7.1	7.1	0.0
Liquidity coverage ratio in accordance with Basel III (in %)	179.4	213.1	-15.8
Total client assets under management in CHF million			
On-balance-sheet customer deposits (excluding custody assets)	11,539.1	11,146.1	3.5
Fiduciary deposits (excluding custody assets)	401.1	908.6	-55.9
Client securities accounts	35,496.9	34,722.3	2.2
Custody assets in CHF million	7,442.6	7,772.2	-4.2
Total client assets in CHF million	54,879.7	54,549.2	0.6
Business volumes in CHF million¹⁰			
Net new money in CHF million	1,382.5	2,054.7	-32.7
Key operating indicators²			
Return on equity (in %) ^{1,3}	4.1	7.4	
Cost/income ratio (in %) ⁴	69.3	67.6	
Total operating expenses / total net operating income (in %)	84.5	74.7	
Headcount (expressed as full-time equivalents, excluding student apprentices) ⁵	917.1	873.7	
Total operating income per employee (in CHF 1,000)	347.9	375.2	
Total operating expenses per employee (in CHF 1,000) ⁶	241.0	253.7	
Group net income per employee (in CHF 1,000)	45.4	84.2	
Key indicators related to shares of VP Bank in CHF¹			
Group net income per registered share A ⁷	6.90	12.28	
Group net income per registered share B ⁷	0.69	1.23	
Dividend per registered share A ⁸	4.00	5.50	
Dividend per registered share B ⁸	0.40	0.55	
Dividend yield (in %)	3.6	3.5	
Payout ratio (in %)	58.0	44.8	
Total shareholders' return on registered shares A (in %) ¹¹	-24.19	13.51	
Shareholders' equity per registered share A on the balance-sheet date	169.93	172.26	
Shareholders' equity per registered share B on the balance-sheet date	16.44	16.41	
Quoted price per registered share A	112.00	155.00	
Quoted price per registered share B	11.20	15.50	
Highest quoted price per registered share A	167.20	165.40	
Lowest quoted price per registered share A	99.00	130.20	
Market capitalisation (in CHF million) ⁹	741	1,025	
Price/earnings ratio per registered share A	16.23	12.62	
Price/earnings ratio per registered share B	16.23	12.62	
Rating Standard & Poor's	A/Negative/A-1	A/Stable/A-1	

¹ The reported key data and operating indicators are computed and reported on the basis of the share of the net profit and shareholders' equity attributable to the shareholders of VP Bank Ltd, Vaduz.

² Details in the notes on the consolidated income statement and consolidated balance sheet.

³ Net income / average shareholders' equity less dividend.

⁴ Total operating expenses (without depreciation and amortisation, valuation allowances, provisions and losses) / total operating income.

⁵ In accordance with legal requirements, apprentices are to be included in headcount statistics as 50 per cent of equivalent full-time employees.

⁶ Operating expenses excluding depreciation and amortisation, valuation allowances, provisions and losses / gross income less other income and income from financial instruments.

⁷ Based on the weighted average number of shares (registered share A) (Annual Report 2020, note 11).

⁸ Subject to approval by the annual general meeting.

⁹ Including registered shares B.

¹⁰ Assets under management and due from customers.

¹¹ Price change compared to previous year closing price plus dividend / closing price previous year.



Job Description

Position Title: Marina & Watersports Manager

Location: Resort, British Virgin Islands

Reports to: General Manager/Owner's Representative

Directly Supervises: Quarterdeck Marina, Mooring Field, Fuel Dock, Watersports Program

Position Description:

Responsible for day-to-day operation of the Marina and Watersports BEYC 2.0 Program ensuring an efficient, well organized operation as it relates to Dock Reservations, Mooring Reservations, Quarterdeck Club Memberships, Charter Boat Industry and relationships, Launch Drivers, Revenue Generation and Cost Controls.

Must possess a strong hospitality background and knowledge of the marine industry. As Marina & Watersports Manager you will work closely with the General Manager in budgeting and forecasting, and with the stateside Sales and Marketing team to promote and enhance sales and grow revenues for the business. You will be required to fully understand the labor code and employee handbook ensuring proper employee relations and world-class customer service for our guests. A hands on approach is essential in working with the staff and assisting guests. No task too small or too big, accomplished in a friendly and efficient manner.

Specific Technical/General:

- Previous Caribbean/International Experience helpful, but not mandatory
- Should have at least five-year's experience in a watersports and marina business
- Self-starter, energetic and motivated
- Team player who enjoys challenges and working with others
- Proficiency with POS & PMS Systems, Word, Excel, and other tracking tools required.

Job

Qualifications:

- U.S. Coast Guard 100 Ton Master Certificate (would be an asset, but not mandatory) or Boat Masters Licenses equivalent
- Valid Seafarers medical certificate
- STCW Basic, Crowd Control and Crisis Management
- Current CPR and First Aid
- Ship Security endorsement (SSO)
- Valid Radio Operations License

Experience:

- 5+ years' experience in marina and/or marine hospitality industry a must
- Ideal candidate will have Caribbean or remote locale experience
- Strong proven record of leadership ability
- Strong IT skills in PMS management systems, plus Outlook, Word, Excel

Responsibilities:

- Responsible for maintaining all docks and moorings with assigned support.
- Responsible for ensuring that all personnel in the above AORs are properly managed.
- Responsible for always controlling the boat traffic in the mooring field and monitoring VHF radio.
- Engaging marina guests prior to arrival and stewarding the pre-stay experience with a goal of advanced bookings and ancillary revenue centers (provisions, restaurants, etc.)
- Establish customer service standards for all waterfront personnel.
- Responsible for marketing effort in North Sound in accordance with the marketing plan.
- Responsible for maintaining a professional launch service.
- Review Quarterdeck Club program and assist in developing future rates, amenities, and marketing strategy for the Club.
- Own and enhance the relationship between BEYC and the charter boat companies and crewed yachts.
- Responsible for the staff evaluations and all disciplinary actions related to staff. Work closely with General Manager and the Director of Human Resources in all BEYC Policies and Procedures.
- Responsible for developing and adhering to annual budget. Develop and implement financial controls while maintaining daily, weekly, and monthly payroll reports.
- Lead department with a mentoring style including staff training and development.
- Ensure all inventory levels and monthly inventory is completed in each AOR.
- Implement effective controls in all areas and capital planning ensuring full operation of the fleet.
- Completes the weekly staffing schedules, vacation schedules and maintains proper staffing levels year-round.
- Supervises, trains, and evaluates Watersports team and ensures job duties and responsibilities are fulfilled.
- Ensure that all equipment is being maintained and is seaworthy. Establish equipment requirements and seek out the best prices for the best products. Work with Purchasing manager to ensure necessary equipment is on hand on time.
- Motivate, coach, train and assist Watersports team to develop efficient, effective staff performance.
- Pursue improvements in guest activities and watersports, increase sales, efficiency and profitability and constantly look for ways for Water sports and activities to develop and grow.
- Coordinate the use of all assigned Watersports vessels.

THE BITTER END YACHT CLUB is seeking to fill the following positions. Only serious applicants need apply. Qualified Virgin Islanders/Belongers preferred but all applicants are welcome to apply. Send resume to:
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GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

STORIES SELECTED BY GIORGIO MIGLIAVACCA

SANTO DOMINGO - The Ministry of Labor says the department has not ruled on whether businesses can obligate its staff to be vaccinated or if staff can be suspended for not getting the vaccine. The Ministry recently issued a resolution asking companies to give their staff time off to get vaccinated.

As in the rest of the world, in the Dominican Republic legal and academic experts are participating in the debate on whether vaccinating can be made obligatory here. While the Dominican government has secured sufficient vaccines and has in place the logistics to vaccinate upwards of 100,000 a day, hundreds of thousands of locals are reticent to getting the vaccine. The country is vaccinating those who can show a Dominican ID or at least a legal passport.

The most available vaccine in the country is the Sinovac/Coronovac from China that recently received World Health Organization emergency approval. [DR1]

CARIBBEAN - The White House has announced that it will be donating six million doses of COVID-19 vaccines to countries in South and Central America and the Caribbean, including those that have been hit hard by the pandemic, such as Brazil and Haiti.

The doses are part of the 80-million vaccine donations that

U.S. President Joe Biden has pledged to send out worldwide by the end of June.

"This vaccine strategy is a vital component of our overall global strategy to lead the world in the fight to defeat COVID-19, including emergency public health assistance and aid to stop the spread and building global public health capacity and readiness to beat not just this pandemic, but the next one," said the White House in a statement.

The Biden-Harris administration is slated to dispatch its first wave of 25 million doses of Covid-19 vaccines in the coming weeks. As to whether when the vaccines will arrive to their respective countries remain unclear since there is no timeline that has been released by the office.

"Specific vaccines and amounts will be determined and shared as the administration works through the logistical, regulatory and other parameters particular to each region and country," the White House said.

The international aid organization COVAX will receive 19 million vaccines from the U.S. Another 7 million will go to Asian nations, including India, while 5 million will be sent to the African Union.

The U.S. will send another 6 million doses directly to governments that have requested doses, are experiencing surges or are immediate neighbors. These

countries include Canada, Egypt, Georgia, Iraq, Jordan, Korea, Kosovo, Mexico, the West Bank and Gaza, Ukraine, and Yemen. The U.S. will also provide vaccines to United Nations front-line workers. [CaribbeanNewsNow]

PORT OF SPAIN - Trinidad (CMC) — Trinidad and Tobago registered 19 deaths and 529 new cases linked to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic over the last 24 hours.

TRINIDAD - The Ministry of Health said that the 19 deaths, which included nine males and 10 females, all with co-morbidities, bring to 556, the number of people who have succumbed to the virus since the first case was detected in March last year.

The new positive cases were for the period May 28 to June 3.

The figures show that the number of positive cases now stands at 25,801 with 10,049 being active cases. There are 428 patients in hospitals across the island, 88 in state-sanctioned quarantine facilities and 8,947 in home isolation. There have been 217 recovered cases. [nycaribnews]

GERMANY - Armin Laschet boosted his chances of succeeding Angela Merkel as German chancellor by securing a decisive victory in the country's poorest state.

In the final electoral contest before the national vote in September, the 60-year-old party leader showed he can successfully guide the Christian Democrats in a tight campaign. The outcome will help ease doubts about his suitability to lead Germany's conservatives.

The CDU halted its slide in recent elections on Sunday, winning

37% of the ballots in Saxony-Anhalt to improve on its last result, according to projections from public broadcaster ARD. The far-right Alternative for Germany, which was pushing for the lead in recent polls, slumped to a distant second in the former communist region with 22%. [Bloomberg]

BARI - A letter written by an Italian soldier on the Russian Front in World War Two has arrived 78 years after his death there in 1943. The letter ended up by chance in the possession of a Mantua woman, Olga Rosa Davini, who on Friday delivered it to the granddaughter of the late Lieutenant Vincenzo Fugalli from Barletta in Puglia, Serena Fugalli. Barletta Mayor Cosimo Cannito called Davini's work to bring back soldiers' bodies and personal effects "a mission charged with humanity, a lesson of sensitivity which I deem a privilege to have heard from the voice of the person responsible".

Davini said "I inherited this work from my family and it has been an honour to hand over the letter to Ms Fugalli". (ANSA).

LONDON - A spokesperson for Prince Harry and Meghan said Sunday the couple welcomed their child Lilibet "Lili" Diana Mountbatten-Windsor. Their daughter weighed in at 7 lbs, 11 oz.

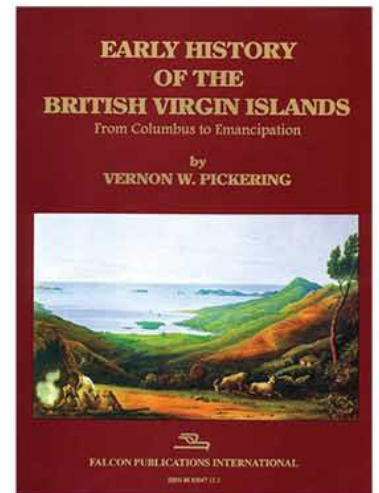
Her first name, Lilibet, is a nod to Her Majesty The Queen's nickname. Her middle name is in honor of her grandmother and Harry's mother. The baby is the eighth in line to the British throne.

"The Queen, The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall, and The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge have been informed and are delighted with the news of the birth of a daughter for The Duke and Duchess of Sussex," a Buckingham Palace spokeswoman said in a statement Sunday. No photos of the newborn or the Sussexes accompanied the announcement. [France24]

SPAIN - The Spanish job market is steadily recovering from the economic fallout of the coronavirus crisis, according to data presented on Wednesday by the Labor and Social Security ministries. These figures showed that the number of people registered as unemployed in Spain fell to 3,781,250 in May – a drop of 129,378 since April. This is the largest monthly fall ever recorded in the statistical series, which dates back to 1996. The last time a similar drop was seen was in 2017. [El Pais]

CANADA - Pope Francis was responding to the discovery of a mass grave at a former Catholic-run school for indigenous children in Canada. Prime Minister Justin

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Trudeau demanded the Vatican apologize for its role in the scandal.

His words follow the recent discovery of a mass grave with the bodies of 215 children, some as young as three years old, at the site of the former Kamloops Residential School in British Columbia, Canada.

It is still unknown what the cause of death is.

What words of healing did Pope Francis offer?

At the traditional Angelus prayer in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican Sunday, Pope Francis described receiving the news from Canada "with horror" and feeling a closeness to "the Canadian people, who have been traumatized by the shocking news." "The sad discovery further increases the understanding of the pain and suffering of the past," Pope Francis said.

The pope did not offer an apology and did not call for greater transparency over the Church's role in the scandal. [Deutsche Welle]

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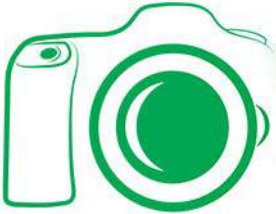
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Volunteer Fair

held at the Noel Lloyd Park



Minister for Health and Social Development Hon. Carvin Malone referred to the volunteer fair that was held at the Noel Lloyd Park on 5 June as a good service and he admonished the organizers to keep up the good work.

The Fair which was hosted by Volunteer Connect group and spearheaded by Kimberly Parker-Fraser was part of this year's observance of Volunteer Week; which was celebrated in the BVI from the 1-7 June. Parker-Fraser explained that the impact of international Volunteer Week and what it involves motivated the group to bring the annual observance to the Territory.

During the volunteer event a few days ago Parker-Fraser explained that the fair is aimed at promoting the importance of giving back. "We are having this volunteer fair its our second one. It is an opportunity for non-profit organizations and corporate businesses to introduce themselves to the community, saw what they are doing and pick up new members or network with each other or collaborate to impact the community on a larger scale," she explained.

While the observation is a week-long initiative the organization pointed out that this year the fair was the only event planned.



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Ladyburd Talks

Dear Readers: Every third Sunday in June, we honor fathers across the world who work tirelessly to give their families the best life possible. The first recorded Father's Day occurred in 1908 after the Monongah mining disaster in West Virginia. This horrible accident killed 361 men, leaving nearly 1,000 children without a father, so the community gathered at their local church to honor those who were lost. Other early accounts of the first Father's Day celebrations date back to 1910 in Spokane, Wash. The Spokane YMCA took the initiative to recruit clergymen willing to help honor fathers in the city. Harry C. Meek also claimed he was the originator of Father's Day in 1915. Meek, a member of the Lions Club International, claimed the third Sunday in June became the date of celebration because it was his birthday.

Origin aside, it wasn't until 1966 at the first presidential proclamation that honoring fathers became a national talking point in the USA. Half a century after Mother's Day became a national holiday, President Nixon signed a law in 1972 making Father's Day a permanent national holiday, set to be celebrated every third Sunday in June.

There are thousands of gifts and activities you can use to celebrate your father, grandfather and even great-grandfather.

Simple ways to honor dad this Father's Day include:

- Share your favorite stories with your dad
- Spend the day with him
- Make a handmade card
- Print your best pictures together
- Offer to help him around the house
- Serve him breakfast in bed
- Have a movie night
- Make his favorite meal
- Wash his car
- Participate in his favorite hobbies
- Tell him you love him



Source: <https://www.jerseystbest.com/family/fathers-day-2020-how-to-honor-and-celebrate-the-dads-who-do-so-much/>

Ladyburd's Mail Box

delseitaliburd@msn.com

Dear Ladyburd: I have a Pet Peeve with some Offices I have to call. There is no telephone etiquette whatsoever. They have no manners, they are abrupt, they do not identify the Company and if they are transferring you to someone else, they do not let you know. Should I have reported it to the Manager?...**Mrs. D.**

Ladyburd: *Dear Mrs. D.* I understand what you are talking about, if you are speaking to someone and you suddenly hear another voice on the line, without the individual letting you know she/he was transferring you it could be frustrating.

Telephone etiquette is very important to any business, because the way one answers the phone can make or break a Company and if you are going to be transferred at least you should be told and the person you are being transferred to should be briefed on why you are calling and not let you repeat the same thing to ten people. If it happens again, you don't have to be rude, just mention it to the person, whom you are speaking to and let him/her know it does not say well for the company and leave it at that. They will get the message.



Light Bulb Moments

"The older I get, the smarter my father seems to get."

—Tim Russert

"A father is someone you look up to no matter how tall you grow."

—Unknown

"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection."

—Sigmund Freud

"My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person: he believed in me."

—Jim Valvano

Poetry Corner

Life Lessons

*You may have thought I didn't see,
Or that I hadn't heard,
Life lessons that you taught to me,
But I got every word.*

*Perhaps you thought I missed it all,
And that we'd grow apart,
But Dad, I picked up everything,
It's written on my heart.*

*Without you, Dad, I wouldn't be
The person I am today;
You built a strong foundation
No one can take away.*

*I've grown up with your values,
And I'm very glad I did;
So here's to you, dear father,
From your forever grateful kid.*

By Joanna Fuchs

Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



Shopping In A Hurry

My wife rushed into the supermarket to pick up a few items. She headed for the express line where the clerk was talking on the phone with his back turned to her. "Excuse me," she said, "I'm in a hurry. Could you check me out, please?" The clerk turned, stared at her for a second, looked her up and down, smiled and said, "Not Looking bad."

source: <http://www.jokes4us.com/classicadult/checkmeoutjoke.html>

That's Not What You Think It Is

A drunk gets up from the bar and heads for the bathroom. A few minutes later, a loud, scream is heard from the bathroom. A few minutes after that, another loud scream reverberates through the bar. The bartender goes into the bathroom to investigate why the drunk is screaming. "What's all the screaming about in there? You're scaring the customers!" "I'm just sitting here on the toilet and every time I try to flush, something comes up and squeezes me." With that, the bartender opens the door, looks in and says... "You idiot!" "You're sitting on the mop bucket!"

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"A cop just knocked on my door and told me that my dogs were chasing people on bikes.

My dogs don't even own bikes..."

BVIOC to host Olympic Day runs and inaugural BVI Beach Games

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, June 9, 2021 - The BVI Olympic Committee (BVIOC), in collaboration with member national federations will host the first community BVI Beach Games at Brandywine Bay Beach from 10:00am - 4:00pm on Sunday, June 27, 2021.

The BVI Beach Games is an initiative that was first introduced at the BVIOC AGM by the BVI Rugby Football Union as a potential community event following the successful beach rugby and CrossFit fundraiser they organised in November last year.

Working with the national federations for rugby, volleyball, football, sailing and triathlon as well as Castaways CrossFit,

the BVIOC is facilitating a community-oriented event aimed at encouraging residents of all ages to try a sport and get active. The day will feature mini tournaments, pick-up games and an opportunity for anyone to try the aforementioned sports.

"These inaugural games will feature sports that already have a beach version so we know that the land based events are suited to be played in sand," said Ephraim Penn, President of the BVIOC. "We are excited to have a fun, healthy and physically active family-oriented event in a safe, outdoor space where the community can get together while maintaining their social distance in keeping with current protocols."

The BVI Beach Games will include music entertainment, bouncy castles, food and ice cream for sale by Brandywine Estate Restaurant and Icy Treats as well as a bar. Recycling of disposables will be in effect and managed by Green & Clean VI Ltd. A collection table for the donation of non-perishable items for the Family Support Network will be set up as a charitable community out-reach element of the day.

The event will be the first of two annual beach games planned with the second beach games to be hosted in November 2021.

"The long term goal is to develop these disciplines that are already played as beach

sports competitively at regional and international level with a view to inviting

(registration at 6:30am) from the A.O. Shirley Grounds, Tortola and a 3-mile walk/run managed



our neighbours in the USVI, St Maarten and Puerto Rico in the winter of 2022 and hosting the first Regional Beach Games possibly in the winter of 2023 provided COVID-19 travel protocols make it viable," said Penn.

This event will take place the weekend after the traditional 1 or 2-mile Olympic Day

by the Road Runners' Club and starting at 6:00am from the H. Lavity Stoutt Community College in Virgin Gorda. Cyclists are also welcome to join an Olympic Day ride in VG which will depart from the college at 6:00am.

Attendees at both the Olympic Day events and the BVI Beach Games will be required to



run/walk on Saturday, June 19 in collaboration with the BVI Athletics Association and starting at 7:00am

observe the protocols of social distancing, wearing a mask and frequent hand sanitising while at the event.

Manager and Chef with a passion to deliver excellent customer service and sales results.

Requirements: Excellent people management and interpersonal skills. The ability to provide leadership for the team and to complete planning, scheduling and organizing team and store including inventory management. As candidate have to perform the role of Chef, culinary skills and the ability to create sumptuous menus including costings are a must.

The successful candidate must have at least 2 years experience in a supervisory role as well as in preparing healthy gourmet meals including soups, salads, sandwiches, vegan and gluten free recipes to appeal to residents and visitors alike.

British Virgin Islanders/Belongers preferred.

Interested persons can send their resumes to: camdemvi@gmail.com or call 340 2802

2. Store Assistant

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The successful candidate must have the ability to deliver excellent customer service. Excellent communication skills, a positive attitude and a willingness to learn are essential. At least 1 year experience is essential in a Delicatessen, and as a Cashier and merchandiser.

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COMMENTARY

THE INFLATION BEAST RETURNS: BUT DON'T PANIC JUST YET

By Dickson Igwe



Dickson Igwe

June 4, 2021

Now the challenge with inflation is that it increases the cost of living. Inflation when uncontrolled can be very damaging. And if economics is primarily about human behavior, then uncontrolled inflation damages consumer and business confidence which are the platforms upon which economics rests.

And inflation- according to the USA Federal Reserve – is back. The reason for the return of inflation has been put down to many years of QE Stimulus: the pumping of cash into the global marketplace by Central Banks in an effort to prevent financial collapse in 2008, to today's pandemic driven stimulus. The present QE is an effort to avoid recession and even depression from a world terrified by COVID 19.

A depression would lead to business shutdowns, bankruptcies, and millions of job losses. Hence policymakers use the instrument of QE- increasing the quantity of cash in the marketplace- through the selling of government bonds

and various treasury instruments to investors, in an effort to drive greater consumer spending and prevent business insolvency. Government Bonds are the most secure investment in the global marketplace.

In the Virgin Islands, the idea of government stimulus is an analogy of what the US Federal Reserve attempts to achieve in activating the instrument of Quantitative Easing to prevent a US Depression.

Today, there is an imbalance in the cash in the western marketplace: more cash than the goods and services the cash buys; hence rising prices. This is what is driving inflation.

Can consumers protect themselves against inflation? The preceding is not a simple question with a simple answer.

Any income increase that matches the cost of living increases that inflation generates does the job of protecting the consumer. But for those on incomes that cannot be adjusted for inflation which means the majority of consumers, inflations means higher prices and higher costs of living.

For residents on fixed budgets- retirees, employees on fixed wages, and so on- inflation means life gets more expensive. For residents who can push the increase in inflation on others such as their customers, clients, tenants, home buyers, hotel guests, travelers, these people can cushion the effects of

inflation.

Investors have ways they can protect their wealth from inflation; such as moving their wealth into more secure investments: established index funds, government bonds, treasury notes, and such.

Historically land prices rise with inflation and landowners may be protected from inflation.

However interest rate rises frequently accompany the Inflation Beast. Home and business owners with mortgages and commercial loans that are not fixed may get a shock increase in their interest payments. The preceding is negative fallout from inflation for consumers.

Who wins and who loses in the inflationary environment? If the Federal Reserve increases interest rates, then rates worldwide may go up. That means all of us who borrow on car loans, home and commercial mortgages, bank loans, and credit cards, may see life getting more expensive.

Savers on the other hand may see their cash in the bank receive greater returns as rates rise.

There is a catch 22: Savers may see their rate of returns rise only to spend that extra cash on more expensive goods and services.

Inflation is a complex beast.

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New Social Policy Role In Health Ministry

Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Health and Social Development, Ms. Petrona Davies began a special assignment as Policy Specialist for the Social Sector this week.

The appointment, which is for two years in the first instance, will see Ms. Davies focus on providing direct support for the development of policies and core legislation within the Ministry of Health and Social Development.

Minister of Health and Social Development Honourable Carvin Malone said that Ms. Davies' assignment is aligned with the ministry's strategic priorities and operational plans, and with Government's agenda for continued advancement in healthcare and social services.

"Ms. Davies is a very knowledgeable advisor, and I look forward to her expertise and guidance as we work to modernise legislation as well as internal policies to improve the Territory's social services sector," Honourable Malone said.

While Ms. Davies is assigned as Policy Specialist, Ms. Tasha Bertie will return to act in the post of Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Health and Social Development, a post which she recently took up for the period November 2020 to February 2021.

Deputy Governor, Mr. David D. Archer, Jr welcomed both assignments as further development of the transformation of the Public Service.

Mr. Archer said, "Sector-specific policy specialists lend greater sophistication and efficiency to the services provided by our public officers. This is a significant contribution to the overall effectiveness of the Public Service."

His Excellency the Governor, John J. Rankin, CMG agreed to the assignment of Ms. Davies as Policy Specialist for the Social Sector on the advice of the Public Service Commission in accordance with section 92 of the Virgin Islands Constitution.

Ms. Davies was appointed as Permanent Secretary with effect from June 2008, and previously served as Deputy Secretary in the Premier's Office; Coordinator, Public Sector Development Programme; and Executive Director, National Drug Advisory Council under the then-Ministry of Health and Welfare.

Ms. Bertie has served as the Ministry's Deputy Secretary since October 2013, and on occasion has served as Acting Permanent Secretary. Prior to her appointment to the ministry, Ms. Bertie has also served as Acting Deputy Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Private Secretary in the then-Ministry of Education and Culture.

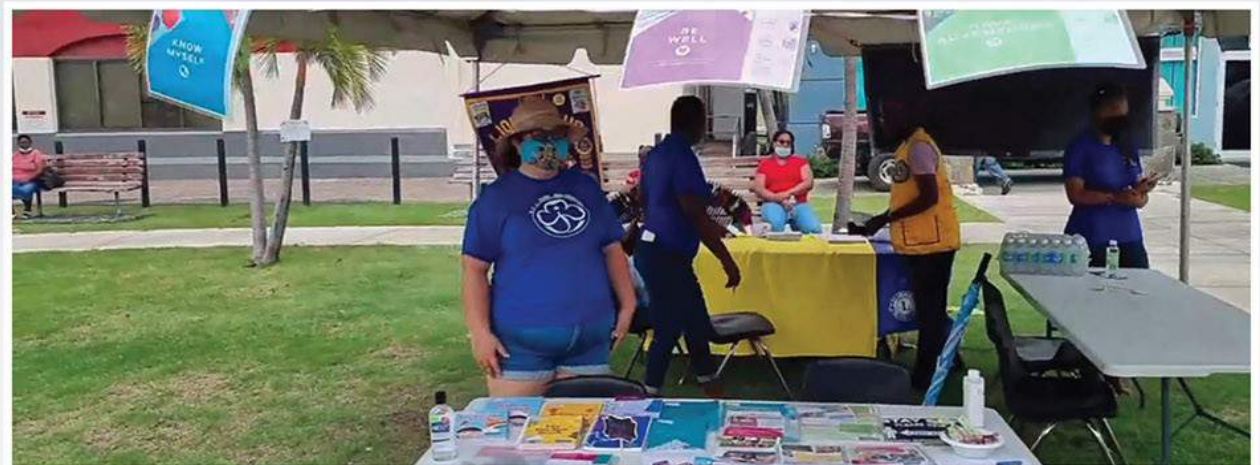
Marine And Cruise Industry Meeting On June 12

The public is invited to a Public Transportation Industry, Taxi and Livery, Marine Industry and Cruise Industry meeting at Maria's by the Sea Conference Room on Saturday, June 12 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss COVID-19 vaccines with special guest speaker Professor Ian Cumming, UK Healthcare Ambassador to the Overseas Territory. Persons are invited to make a special effort to attend the meeting and have their questions answered.

Volunteer Fair

held at the Noel Lloyd Park

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The fair, which was a very informative activity featured non-profit organizations such as the Tortola Toastmasters Club, LIONS Club, ACT, and the BVI Red Cross. Each organization had its own booth with information for those interested.

Nonetheless, persons who visited the Volunteer Connect booth were able to get a copy of the volunteer passport which is a guide to staying connected and a guide to some of the organizations

that were represented at the event; including information of what they do and some contact information.

The Volunteer Connect booth also included treats for the volunteers in attendance.

Hon. Malone lauded the efforts of the organizers of the event and said that he hoped many persons in the community would volunteer. "We encourage volunteers throughout the different organizations and so forth and I think that as a society...It is a great initiative," the Minister added.

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

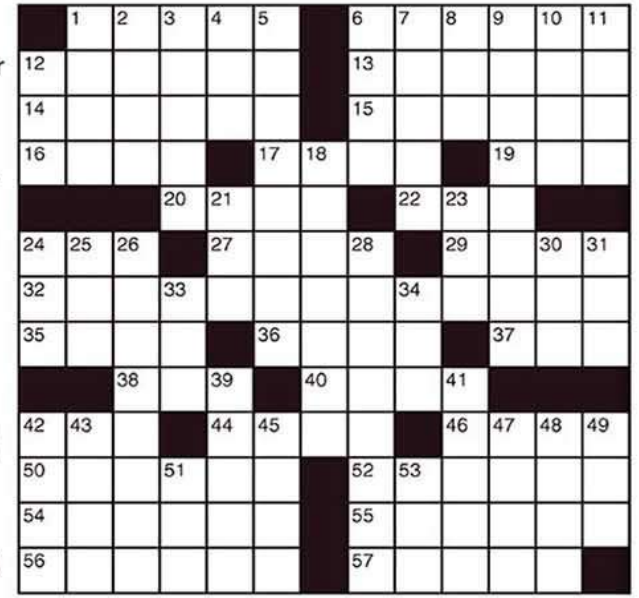
by Jeff Pickering



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Lingo
- 6 Slopes regular
- 12 Tenant
- 13 Sheathe
- 14 Schedules
- 15 Pumpkin relatives
- 16 Appointment
- 17 Spring melt-down
- 19 Cooking fuel
- 20 Libertine
- 22 Poseidon's home
- 24 Satisfied sigh
- 27 La Scala solo
- 29 Fine spray
- 32 Fruity rum cocktail
- 35 Author Wiesel
- 36 Eve's third son
- 37 That girl
- 38 "Awesome, dude!"
- 40 Pop
- 42 Trojans' sch.
- 44 Org.
- 46 Forget-me- (flowers)
- 50 Paris art museum
- 52 Athlete's woe
- 54 Tempt
- 55 Point maker
- 56 Op-ed pieces
- 57 Dwelling



DOWN

- 1 Actress Ward
- 2 Aspiring atty.'s exam
- 3 Fall bloom
- 4 Formerly called
- 5 Hand signals
- 6 Video game giant
- 7 Recognizes
- 8 Hosp. section
- 9 Haggles
- 10 Fed. food inspector
- 11 GI dining hall
- 12 Leary's drug
- 18 Patty Hearst, for one
- 21 Feed-bag morsel
- 23 Outback bird
- 24 Mimic
- 25 100 percent offerings
- 26 Barber's offerings
- 28 Flabbergast
- 30 Learning ctr.
- 31 Common title start
- 33 Museum-funding org.
- 34 Prof's degree
- 39 "Pride and Prejudice" suitor
- 41 Pear variety
- 42 Peter Fonda's beekeeper role
- 43 Male deliveries?
- 45 Beholds
- 47 Partially mine
- 48 Genealogy chart
- 49 Neighbor of Leb.
- 51 By way of
- 53 Sgt., e.g.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Plate is missing. 2. Elbow patch is added. 3. Tree limb is shorter. 4. Car is moved. 5. Pants are different. 6. Bell is missing.

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

MORE READERS: THE ISLAND SUN

- 1. "The Breakfast Club"; 2. Green; 3. Belize; 4. Brian;
- 5. Tennis elbow; 6. Harbor wave; 7. 1994; 8. Giraffe; 9. Maine;
- 10. Science based on observation and experiment

Trivia Test Answers



A STICKY JOB! A few lines are needed to complete this do-it-yourself disaster scene. Add them quickly from dot to dot.

NAIL POLISH! Hiram Ballpeene has laid out 12 nails in the form of an equation using Roman numerals. The equation is wrong. Can you correct it by moving just one nail to a new location?

$VI - IV = IX$

One way: Move the single nail from "IX" and place it over the minus sign to make a plus sign. You now have "VI + IV = 10".

DISPLAY PROBLEM! At right we see one of Sam Bolt's fastener display boards. The compartments contain nails (N), screws (S), washers (W) and bolts (B). Sam wants to move the items so that the compartments in each row, column and both diagonals contain nails, screws, washers and bolts. How would you rearrange the fasteners? Each compartment must contain only one type of fastener.



1.	N	N	N	N
2.	S	S	S	S
3.	W	W	W	W
4.	B	B	B	B

Illustrated by David Coulson

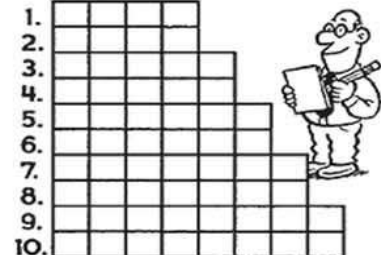
One answer: Row 1--N,S,W,B. Row 2--W,B,N,S. Row 3--B,W,S,N. Row 4--S,N,B,W.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



INVENTORY PROBLEM! Sam Bolt is trying to take inventory of his stock, but everything got scrambled up in his warehouse. Can you help him figure out what these hardware items are? Just unscramble the letters.



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| 1. LUGE | 6. RSLDIL |
| 2. EWRI | 7. HVSAIRN |
| 3. ASREK | 8. SEHLOS |
| 4. NSIAL | 9. DRNIGESR |
| 5. ERHSSA | 10. CHRWESNE |
1. Glue, 2. Wire, 3. Rakes, 4. Nails, 5. Shears, 6. Drills, 7. Varnish, 8. Shovels, 9. Grinders, 10. Wrenches.

Top Ten

General Entertainment TV Networks

1. USA
2. FX
3. AMC
4. A&E
5. Hallmark
6. Freeform
7. TNT
8. Adult Swim
9. Lifetime
10. TBS



Source: Harris Poll/EquiTrend

IN THE FUTURE

ALL THE CARS WILL BE ELECTRIC

HUMANS WILL INHABIT OTHER PLANETS

AND REPUBLICANS WILL CONTINUE TO RECOUNT THE 2020 ELECTION

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A heads-up alert to all free-spirited Ewes and Rams: Be wary of a deal that could result in compromising your independence. Check every detail before making a commitment.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) New facts emerge that help put an irksome workplace situation in perspective. Meanwhile, pay more attention to a family member who needs your wisdom and strength.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A slight setback in plans is nothing to worry about. Use this delay to deal with a number of matters you might have ignored for too long. Expect news from someone in your past.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're entering a period of stability. Use it to straighten out any outstanding problems related to a very personal situation. Also, pay closer attention to financial matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As much as you love being a social Lion, you might well benefit from staying out of the spotlight for a while. You need time to reflect on some upcoming decisions.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A difficult family situation improves, thanks to your timely intervention. You can now start to focus more of your attention on preparing for a possible career change.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An on-the-job change works to your benefit by offering new opportunities. It's up to you to check them out. Meanwhile, a stalled romantic situation starts up again.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That flare-up of Scorpion temperament cools down, leaving you more receptive to suggestions about changes that might need to be made in your personal life.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unusual period of indecisiveness is a mite frustrating. But things soon clear up, allowing the sage Sagittarian to make those wise pronouncements again.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might feel that you know best, but it's not a good idea at this time to try to force your opinions on others. Best advice: Inspire change by example, not by intimidation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some setbacks could affect your plans to fortify your financial situation. But things start moving again by early next week. Meanwhile, enjoy your resurgent social life.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show that often-hidden steely spine of yours as you once again stand up to an emotional bully. You've got the strength to do it, especially as friends rally to your side.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your ruling planet, Mercury, endows you with a gift for writing. Have you considered penning the world's greatest novel?

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

To keep you from the evil woman, from the flattering tongue of a seductress. Do not lust after her beauty in your heart, nor let her allure you with her eyelids.

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"Mädchen" by Alexej von Jawlensky (1912)



A Patriotic Potato Dish

Do you love potatoes but think they're fattening? Potatoes are good for you and have one of the highest nutritional values in the produce department. At just 25 cents per serving, a medium potato (5.3 ounces), eaten with its skin on, has just 110 calories. Potatoes provide nearly half your daily value of vitamin C and are one of the best sources of potassium, which helps to maintain normal blood pressure. Potatoes also are naturally fat- and sodium-free and contain many of the nutrients that are recommended as part of a healthy diet.

To create a festive dish in honor of Flag Day, try using red, white and blue potatoes! Here's some more information about these colorful tubers.

RED POTATOES: Rosy-red skin and white flesh. Firm, smooth, moist texture; well-suited for salads, roasting, boiling and steaming. Round reds are often referred to as "new potatoes," but the term "new" technically refers to any variety of potato that is harvested before reaching maturity.

Tip: Roast Reds for Salads -- Instead of boiling red potatoes for salads, try roasting them, whole or cut up, to intensify their flavor and bring out their sweetness. Then add vinaigrette or a mayo-based dressing.



Patriotic Grilled Potato Kabobs

WHITE POTATOES: Round and long, whites are medium in starch level with a creamy texture. They hold their shape well after cooking. The ultra-versatile round white can be used in most potato preparations.

Tip: Potato Salads -- To create signature potato salads, just toss cooked white potatoes with dressings and ingredients "borrowed" from other salads, e.g., Caesar dressing and grated Parmesan, or Ranch dressing, chopped egg and bacon crumbles.

BLUE/PURPLE POTATOES: Blue/purple potatoes originated in South America and have now become popular in the U.S. They have a subtle, nutty flavor and flesh ranging from dark blue or lavender to white. Microwaving best preserves color, but steaming and baking also are recommended.

Tip: Red, White and Blues -- Combine blue potatoes with whites and reds in salads or roasted medleys to make all three colors "pop."

GRILLED POTATO KABOBS WITH LEMON-HERB DRIZZLE

Red, white and blue potatoes add flavor and eye-appeal to these delicious kabobs. You also might substitute your favorite protein for the chicken sausage or try an all-vegetarian version of this dish.

Lemon-Herb Drizzle:

- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs (such as basil, rosemary, marjoram and sage)
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
- Juice of 1 fresh lemon
- Freshly ground pepper to taste
- 12 to 16 wooden or metal skewers

Potato Kabobs:

- 1 pound (total) red, white and blue potatoes, scrubbed
 - 1 (12-ounce) package pre-cooked chicken sausage, sliced 1/4-inch thick on the diagonal
 - 2 ears fresh corn, cut into 1-inch pieces
 - 1 zucchini, sliced 1/4-inch thick on the diagonal
1. If using wooden skewers, soak them in a pan of cold water for 30 minutes to prevent them from burning. Heat olive oil in a small saucepan until very hot; remove from heat and stir in garlic. Let cool, then stir in herbs, salt, lemon juice and pepper; set aside.
 2. Place potatoes in a medium-size microwave-safe bowl and cover with a lid or plastic wrap. (Note: If using plastic wrap, make sure wrap is not touching any ingredients, and poke one small hole in cover to vent.)
 3. Microwave on high for 10 to 12 minutes or until the potatoes are tender (cooking time may vary depending on microwave). Use oven mitts to carefully remove the potatoes from the microwave.
 4. When cool enough to handle, cut the potatoes into large chunks. Thread potatoes, sausage and vegetables onto skewers. Wrap the exposed ends of the skewers with foil to prevent them from burning.
 5. Grill over medium-high heat for about 10 minutes, turning frequently and brushing with a little of the herb mixture during the last few minutes of cooking. Remove from grill, discard the foil and place the skewers on a platter; drizzle with remaining herb mixture. Serves 6.

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Be more strategic, press on urgently with CARICOM Single Market and Economy – Trade Ministers advised

CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana - Wednesday, 2 June 2021) - The Organs of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) must move with a greater sense of urgency and clarity of purpose if the Region is to successfully navigate the current difficult circumstances.

Prime Minister of Barbados, the Hon. Mia Mottley made the call Tuesday at the opening of the Fifty-Second Meeting of the COTED.

Prime Minister Mottley, who is Lead Head of Government with responsibility for the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME) in the CARICOM Quasi Cabinet, said that if ever the Region needed to see progress, it was now, and that the Region needed to rely heavily on integration and cooperation.

"If ever there was a time that the Region needs to rely on regional cooperation and regional integration, it is absolutely now within the context of what we are going to face in the post-pandemic period, and we are not yet there but we can begin to see already what it is looking like," she said, as she highlighted the possibility of emerging debt and financial crises "if we are not careful".

She drew to the attention of delegates the "double-digit declines" and pointed out that there was need now for "a greater sense of urgency and greater clarity of purpose by the organs of the Community, in particular, COTED".

VAST MANDATE

Pointing out the vast mandate of the COTED, CARICOM Secretary-General, Ambassador Irwin LaRocque said it was a major driver of

the Community's integration efforts. Under the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas, COTED has responsibility for the CSME which Ambassador LaRocque described as "a massive task" that had produced mixed results.

"These times demand that the full implementation of the CSME should be our pre-eminent task. The COVID-19 pandemic has created havoc in our societies – both in economic and human development terms. Lives and livelihoods have been lost; public finances have been curtailed; our health systems have been challenged; and the education of our children has been interrupted.

"In order to face these challenges, we must devote much more attention to building resilience, including into our production systems. The CSME is the platform for transforming the economic structures of Member States, and building the resilience necessary for dealing with the increasing number of external and internal economic shocks," the Secretary-General told delegates.

In this regard, he highlighted work that was advanced, including the adoption of Protocols on Contingent Rights and on Public Procurement; agreement on Policies on Credit Reporting and on Deposit Insurance; a Food and Nutrition Security Plan; a Strategy for Advancing the CARICOM Agri Foods Agenda is being worked on by a Ministerial Task Force; and a Multilateral Air Services Agreement that was in force. He also spoke of the work of the Region's newest Associate Institution, the Caribbean Private Sector Organisation (CPSO) which had put on the table a plan for reducing

the food import bill by 25 percent by 2025, and was actively engaged in the work of the COTED.

"We need now to press on with urgency to complete the full implementation of the CSME. The removal of remaining barriers to intra-regional trade, for example, must be among the priorities. The regime of free movement of skills and persons is how our citizens gauge the effectiveness of integration. The implementation of the agreed-on expansion of categories of skilled workers would help to promote a deeper sense of belonging among our citizens," he said.

Ambassador LaRocque added that in order to urgently advance CSME implementation, the COTED had to be "more strategic and senior officials need to meet more often in order to resolve the issues that keep recurring on the agenda among other things."

HEIGHTENED CHALLENGES

Jamaica Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Senator Kamina Johnson-Smith is chairing the two-day Ministerial. She alluded to the period of heightened challenges in which the COTED was being held. She cited the economic stress occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic, vaccine inequity, vulnerability to negative impacts of Climate Change and natural disasters and the devastating effects of the eruption of La Soufrière volcano in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

"In the face of these realities, the imperative of focused recovery is clear. We must ensure that our collective efforts to empower our citizens and continue the process of



Prime Minister of Barbados, the Hon. Mia Mottley

transforming our Community through trade and development opportunities. We owe this to future generations," Minister Johnson-Smith said.

She also referred to the mixed fortunes of the CSME and pointed out that there was room for "much improvement" in the rate of its implementation.

The discussions will include focus on the CSME; matters related to trade in goods; the implementation of the Multilateral Air Services Agreement and developments at the World Trade Organisation (WTO). Minister Johnson Smith announced that new Director-General of the WTO, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, will join delegates on Wednesday for discussions on pressing issues on the multilateral trade front. The Director-General will also provide her perspective on access to vaccines "a matter that is clearly a vexed one", the COTED Chair said.

A Meeting of trade officials in early May laid the groundwork for the Ministerial session.

Secretary-General hails CARICOM FIFA MOU

(CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana - Tuesday, 1 June 2021) - Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Ambassador Irwin LaRocque has hailed the signing of an MOU between CARICOM and FIFA as opening avenues to positively impact the lives of youth within the Region.

Ambassador LaRocque and FIFA's President Mr. Gianni Infantino signed the memorandum in a virtual ceremony, Monday. It creates a framework for further collaboration between football's world government body and CARICOM on the development of football in the Community's Member States.

The Secretary-General said the genesis of the project came with the visit by Mr. Infantino to the CARICOM Secretariat in 2017. He noted that the MOU aligns with CARICOM's endorsement of sport as a development tool to promote positive ideals in individuals, including the inculcation of healthy lifestyles, positive use of leisure time, development of tolerance and the promotion of peace.

"The universal popularity of football gives it a unique position to play its part in assisting in that regard," he noted.

Mr. Infantino noted that FIFA had provided substantial assistance to the Football Associations of Member States of CARICOM to

assist with the challenges posed by Covid-19 among other areas. He said he looked forward to working with CARICOM in ensuring that the game in the region was free of discrimination and safe for the children and youth to enjoy.

The President of CONCACAF Mr. Victor Montagliani praised the thrust of the MOU and thanked FIFA for its support.

Regional football legend Russel Latapy endorsed the programmes outlined in the MOU and emphasised that the sport must provide a safe environment for the children and youth who played the game.

The ceremony was witnessed by the Minister of Sport of Guyana, Ambassadors to

CARICOM and the Presidents of the National Football Associations of CARICOM Member States.

The MOU will provide institutional support for the strengthening of a football programme for the physical education curricula in primary schools within the CARICOM Region. It will develop and train Physical Education teachers in football coaching and management, through FIFA Member Associations in CARICOM.

It is also expected to build on previous work by CARICOM, including "Reducing Youth on Youth Violence in Schools and Communities" and the "Youth Empowerment through Sports" projects.

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Harris Emphasizes Addressing 'Root Causes' of Migration

By Ken Bredemeier • Updated June 08, 2021

U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris stressed the importance of fixing the "root causes" of migration in her final remarks during a trip to Mexico and Central America to address the surge of migrants at the southwestern U.S. border.

"I want to be very clear that the problem at the border in large part, if not entirely, stems from the problems in these countries," Harris told reporters Tuesday evening.

"I cannot say it enough: Most people don't want to leave home. And when they do, it is usually for one of two reasons: either they are fleeing harm or to stay home means they cannot satisfy the basic needs of their families."

Harris underscored conversations she had with Guatemalan officials in which agreements were struck for the U.S. to fund projects that root out corruption, strengthen the rights of laborers and farmers, empower young women and more.

Earlier Tuesday, Harris met with Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador in Mexico City to discuss bolstering economic conditions in Central America.

When asked by a reporter whether the U.S. made specific commitments to increase legal pathways to migration, including work permits, Harris said there were discussions but "no promises" were made.

Harris and Lopez Obrador watched as aides signed a "memorandum of understanding" to "establish a strategic partnership to cooperate on development programs in the Northern Triangle" countries of Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras.

Tens of thousands of their citizens have left home to trek through Mexico to try to get into the United States in recent months, with more than 178,000 migrants reaching the U.S. border in April, nearly half from Central America.

Harris had a blunt message Monday for Latin American migrants as she visited Guatemala: "Do not come." She said the U.S. was "not afraid" to enforce its immigration laws and stop people at the border.

However, U.S. President Joe Biden has allowed unaccompanied migrant children to stay in the United States, unlike former President Donald Trump, who expelled them.

López Obrador, responding to a shouted question from a reporter whether Mexico was willing to increase its immigration enforcement, said he and Harris "will be touching on that subject, but always addressing the fundamental root causes" of the surge in migrants.

Harris, according to her spokeswoman, told the Mexican leader in their private talks that the U.S. will

make new efforts to increase economic investment in southern Mexico, including loans for affordable housing.

In addition, the U.S. has committed about \$130 million over the next three years to support workers and labor reforms. Harris told Lopez Obrador the U.S. would provide more forensic and law enforcement training in Mexico to help resolve more than 82,000 cases of missing persons and disappearances, a key concern for the Mexican leader.

After meeting with Lopez Obrador, Harris is talking with female entrepreneurs and holding a roundtable with labor workers.

Ricardo Zúñiga, U.S. special envoy for the Northern Triangle, told reporters ahead of Tuesday's meetings that the United States and Mexico "have not had this level of cooperation in Central America before."

"The main thing is that it's very important to show that the United States and Mexico are collaborating and trying to improve conditions on the ground among our neighbors because of the importance that the countries in Central America have for both of us," Zúñiga said. "We're both destination countries for migration from Central America, and we both have some of the same issues trying to ensure that we have legal paths for migration and temporary labor."



U.S. President Joe Biden takes part in a wreath-laying ceremony during the National Memorial Day Observance, at Arlington National Cemetery, in Arlington, Virginia, May 31, 2021.

Harris' talks in Mexico were similar to those in Guatemala, where she emphasized "the power of hope" along with new efforts to fight corruption.

"I am here because the root causes are my highest priority in terms of addressing the issue, and we need to deal with it, both in terms of the poverty we are seeing, the hunger that we are seeing, the effects of the hurricanes and the extreme climate conditions, what we are seeing in terms of the pandemic," Harris told reporters.

Harris' trip is fraught with U.S.

political implications, though, as Republicans blame Biden and Harris for the surge in migrants trying to cross the country's southwestern border with Mexico.

At a news conference in Guatemala City, Harris deflected a question about when she would visit the border, even though she has said she would at some point.

At a recent news conference, some Republicans displayed a milk carton depicting Harris with the headline: "MISSING AT THE BORDER"

Senate Passes Bill to Boost US Tech Industry, Counter Rivals

By Associated Press • June 08, 2021

The Senate overwhelmingly approved a bill Tuesday that aims to boost U.S. semiconductor production and the development of artificial intelligence and other technology in the face of growing international competition, most notably from China.

The 68-32 vote for the bill demonstrates how confronting China economically is an issue that unites both parties in Congress. That's a rarity in an era of division as pressure grows on Democrats to change Senate rules to push past Republican opposition and gridlock.

The centerpiece of the bill is a \$50 billion emergency allotment to the Commerce Department to stand up semiconductor development and manufacturing through research and incentive programs previously authorized by Congress. The bill's overall cost would increase spending by about \$250 billion with most of the spending occurring in the first five years.

"The premise is simple — if we want American workers and American companies to keep leading the world, the federal government must invest in science, basic research and innovation, just as we did decades after the Second World War," said Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer.

"Whoever wins the race to the technologies of the future is going to be

the global economic leader, with profound consequences for foreign policy and national security, as well," he added.

U.S. Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) speaks during a news conference with fellow Republican senators on Capitol...

FILE - U.S. Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, May 25, 2021.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell said the bill was incomplete because it did not incorporate more Republican-sponsored amendments. He nonetheless supported it.

"Needless to say, final passage of this legislation cannot be the Senate's final word on our competition with China," he said. "It certainly won't be mine."

President Joe Biden applauded the bill's passage in a statement Tuesday evening, saying, "As other countries continue to invest in their own research and development, we cannot risk falling behind. America must maintain its position as the most innovative and productive nation on Earth."

Senators sloggled through days of debates and amendments leading up to Tuesday's final vote. Schumer's office said 18 Republican amendments will have received votes as part of passage of the bill. It also

said the Senate this year has already held as many roll-call votes on amendments than it did in the last Congress when the Senate was under Republican control.

While the bill enjoys bipartisan support, a core group of Republican senators has reservations about its costs.

One of the bill's provisions would create a new directorate focused on artificial intelligence and quantum science with the National Science Foundation. The bill would authorize up to \$29 billion over five years for the new branch within the foundation, with an additional \$52 billion for its programs.

Senator Rand Paul said Congress should be cutting the foundation's budget, not increasing it. He called the agency "the king of wasteful spending." The agency finances about a quarter of all federally supported research conducted by America's colleges and universities.

"The bill is nothing more than a big government response that will make our country weaker, not stronger," Paul said.

Supporters described it as the biggest investment in scientific research that the country has seen in decades. It comes as the nation's share of semiconductor manufacturing globally has steadily eroded from 37% in 1990 to about 12% now, and as a chip shortage has exposed vulnerabilities in the U.S. supply chain. But Senator Maria

Cantwell noted that a greater federal investment in the physical sciences had been called for during the administration of President George W. Bush to ensure U.S. economic competitiveness.

"At the time, I'm pretty sure we thought we were in a track meet where our competitor was, oh, I don't know, maybe half a lap behind us. I'm pretty sure now as the decade has moved on, we're looking over our shoulder and realizing that the competition is gaining," said Cantwell, chair of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee.

The lead Republican on the committee also weighed in to support the bill.

"This is an opportunity for the United States to strike a blow on behalf of answering the unfair competition that we are seeing from communist China," Senator Roger Wicker said.

Senators have tried to strike a balance when calling attention to China's growing influence. They want to avoid fanning divisive anti-Asian rhetoric when hate crimes against Asian Americans have spiked during the coronavirus pandemic.

Other measures spell out national security concerns and target money-laundering schemes or cyberattacks

by entities on behalf of the Chinese government. There are also "Buy America" provisions for infrastructure projects in the U.S.

Senators added provisions that reflect shifting attitudes toward China's handling of the COVID-19 outbreak. One would prevent federal money for the Wuhan Institute of Virology as fresh investigations proceed into the origins of the virus and possible connections to the lab's research. The city registered some of the first coronavirus cases.

It's unclear whether the measure will find support in the Democratic-led House, where the Science Committee is expected to soon consider that chamber's version. Congressman Ro Khanna, who has been working with Schumer for two years on legislation that's included in the bill, called it the biggest investment in science and technology since the Apollo space flight program a half century ago.

"I'm quite certain we will get a really good product on the president's desk," Schumer said.

Biden said he looked forward to working with the House on the legislation, "and I look forward to signing it into law as soon as possible."

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SOFTBALL

Softball underdogs force deciding playoff series games: 'There's no tomorrow'

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Los Macarrecios and the Albion's Hot Shots are not going down in the VI Softball Baseball Association Astros-Atoms Softball League without a fight and have forced Saturday's deciding game three against Storm and Power Outage respectively.

Los Macarrecios jumped out to a 4-0 lead, made three errors in the top of the sixth as Storm capitalized and cut the deficit to 4-3. A pass ball allowed them to knot the game at 4-4, before they took a 5-4 lead. Los Macarrecios tied the game at 5-5 in the bottom of the seventh, forcing extra innings.

They held Storm scoreless in their turn at bat. With a man on Second, Los Macarrecios batsman bunted the ball towards Storm's baseman, who fired to first. With the first basemen drawn in expecting the bunt, the second baseman did not cover first. The ball went errant and the Los Macarrecios runner raced home for the 6-5 thriller.

"I don't know what to tell you. Plain and simple, I've never seen anything like this in my life," Allen "Woodrow" Smith told Island Sun Sports. "In all my years of playing ball, I've never experienced a play like that in my life. That was a shock. In the time when you're supposed to bear down, it seems like we fell apart right there in that moment. It was an easy bang, bang play. The ball just came to you right where you needed it and we made a whole mess of it. All that means, we're in a dog fight now to move on."

Los Macarrecios manager Juan Solomon, said it was a nice game and the series is tied 1-1. "We're glad we won," he said. "This weekend, there's no tomorrow."

Solomon said nerves got the better of his team in the last inning, leading to errors and allowing Storm back in the game. "In the last inning, though I talked to them, they got nervous but the most important thing is, we won."

Willie Reyes was 2-for-4 with 2 runs scored and 2 RBI's. Freddy Morales was also 2-for-4. Kye Rymer was Storm's top hitter going 2-for-2.

The Hot Shots stunned Power Outage 8-7, after blowing a 4-0 lead and allowing them back into the game, when Demoi "Ben Up" Hodge, hit a 3-run homer to right for a 7-6 edge and they mounted a comeback.

"The offense wasn't as I expected it to be. We had runners on base and stranded most of them," Manager Roy Barry noted. "The team was a bit sluggish in the beginning and we made a few mistakes on the field. We changed the pitching, scored enough runs to take the lead but our pitching just couldn't hold it."

Solomon said he's changing his lineup and inserting players he knows can bunt and hit Neville. As underdogs, Nibbs said the Hot Shots will be playing freely as the pressure is on Power Outage.

That's Ya Problem vs Synergy

That's Ya Problem will defend the title they won during the last league in 2017, after turning back the Lady Hawks, 12-5, while Synergy flew past the West End Warriors, 15-2.

"Winning means everything to us because we're the defending champs and for sure, we're supposed to be automatic in this championship," Tylia "Tweety



Los Macarrecios' Willie Reyes, slides safely into second base as Storms' Michael Vanterpool awaits the ball

Bird" Nibbs said before knowing her opponent. "So whoever is coming, get ready. That's Ya Problem is ready."

Nibbs said they were plagued by errors during the season, but have been working on the weak areas, but now they're ready.

"If we can win this title? We did it already and we're going to do it again," she predicted.

Pitcher Chavaughne Richardson said their opponent changed their name from Walk Off to Synergy, but they're going to repeat as champions. "This is our time," she noted. "Last time we did it we had Irma, now we have Corona. We knew (getting

into) the playoffs was automatic. Regular season means nothing. We're sweeping them with the broom under the rug."

Synergy's Coach Neville "Sheep" Smith, said his team is ready and used the game with the Warriors to work on strategy and play the game the way it should be played. Although they swept That's Ya Problem, entering the championships, both teams are 0-0 and they will play one game at a time.

Warriors Sarah Washington, said her team's aim was to play for the title but that didn't work out. "We're going away and preparing to come back stronger next year," she said.

RUNNING

Croal caps national sprint double with 200m personal best

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Talent Ex's Jaleel Croal capped off a national championships sprint double with a 200m personal best on Saturday, as he pulled Sprint Tech's Wanyaé Bell and Top Notch's Khybah Dawson under the 22.00 second barrier, marking the first time in the 50-year BVI track and field history, that three athletes have run in the 21 seconds range in the same race.

Croal covered the half lap in 21.14 seconds (-1.2 mps), lowering his 2019 best from 21.20. Bell shaved his personal best from 21.85 seconds to 21.81, with Dawson—coming off a lifetime 7.39m (24'3") Long Jump (-3.0) best—placing third in 21.92, after a personal best 21.71 (-0.7) in the semis. Dawson, a 2019 Carifta Games U17 Boys Long Jump silver medalist, improved his mark from 7.36m

"I'm elated right now. I feel like I proved myself, because a few weeks back, I ran that same time and got disqualified because I false started," Croal who won the 100m in 10.64 seconds (-0.6) on Friday night after an 11.24 semi, reflected after the race. "Now that I've run it again, I feel like I proved myself that I can do anything right now." Teammate Mikkel Bassue

followed Croal in the 100m in 10.77, with Bell third in 10.82.

While he didn't have external competitions because of Covid, Croal said his competitors—Bell, Dawson, Vadley Sylvester, Mikkel Bassue, Malik John and K'Cei Moses—have been improving which makes him push even harder. He noted that they're stepping up to his level which he really enjoys and would like to travel with them abroad for competition.

"K'Cei has been a good training partner and hasn't been out because of injuries," Croal said. Khybah, he makes me punk out of the 400. He's a very good runner. I just feel he's better than me and I just come out there and show my heart and get the race done."

Bell said he was a bundle of nerves in the 200m final. "It was nerve racking," he said. "I wanted to win the race but I knew I had good athletes in my range."

Dawson said he thought that he would have run faster but he was also thinking that he had to do rehab and therapy as it was his first race back from an injury. "I was ready for the competition and being back with these guys," he said.

Other Highlights

In his first race after establishing an 800m National Youth Record, Jahshani "Jahferre" Farrington, won his specialty in the rain, covering the circuit in 2 minutes, 02.47 seconds. "It was drastic, having to run, wipe your eyes and breathing, it was slowing you down," Farrington, who ran in the rain for the first time said. "It was tiring at the end. I wanted to try the same strategy as the last time, but this was really tiring. I really worked hard for this one."

Virgin Gorda's Kaelyaah "Kae" Liburd, became the 10th BVI female under 55.00 seconds, when she dropped 54.93 on the board in the 400m, landing at No 9 on the All Time List. In the process, she turned back 2019 Carifta Games U17 Girls silver medalist Akrisa Eristee, who was second in 56.54.

Field Events

New Mexico Jr. College graduate Djimon Gumbs, returned home to take a Shot Put/Discus Throw double, beating twin brother Diamante in both events for the first time this season. Djimon uncorked a personal best 16.88m (55'4½") effort in the Shot, to



Jaleel Croal leads Wanyaé Bell, left and Khybah Dawson to the line in 21.14 seconds. Bell ran 21.81 and Dawson, 21.92

Diamante's 15.32 (50'3¼"). Djimon also recorded his fourth best mark of the season of 48.78m (160'0½") to win the Discus. Diamante recorded a fourth round 45.84m (150'4¾") effort, to finish second.

Anegada's Kimberly Smith, cut the sand at a personal best of 5.58m (18'3¾") to win the Long Jump.

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Akrisa Eristee, 4th right, avenged a 400m loss to Kaelyaah "Kae" Liburd to her right, with a 200m victory, 24.84 seconds to 24.94



Synergy's Shelly Potter slides safely into third, ahead of the throw to the West End Warriors' Denesha Penn



That's Ya Problem's Kaynesha Stoutt, holds on to the ball to out Lady Hawks' Meisha Walters during a home plate collision



Z6NE's D'Moi "Tunky" Dagou, right, controls the ball while teammate Zaneel Joseph tries to block Skillful Ballers' Lenrique Austrie



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Zenner technology Co., Ltd.

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Company No. 2023197

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Dated 20 May, 2021
(Sgd.) **ZHANG Peiwen**
Voluntary Liquidator(s)
[04/1]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.

Everblossom Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1512312

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Dated 26 May, 2021
(Sgd.) **John Grimshaw**
Voluntary Liquidator(s)
[04/2]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.

Truthful Fame Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1606973

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 31 May, 2021. The Liquidator is **Harry J. Thompson of Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**
Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **Harry J. Thompson**
Voluntary Liquidator(s)
[04/3]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.

Arttech Investment Co. Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1611682

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **Harry J. Thompson**
Voluntary Liquidator(s)
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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Indigo Landing Charters, Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1720033

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Dated 20th day of May, 2021
(Sgd.) **Harry J. Thompson**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/5]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Indigo Landing Development, Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1792908

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Dated 20th day of May, 2021
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Voluntary Liquidator
[04/6]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

QILONG HOLDINGS LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1942119

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **XU BIJUN**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/7]

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QILONG PARTNERS LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1941385

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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Voluntary Liquidator
[04/8]

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SET SAIL DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1938749

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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GAIC INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

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Company No. 710604

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Egg Grow Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1966974

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **YANG YUAN**
Voluntary Liquidator
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Jadon International Capital Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1960050

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **TENG Yue**
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Happy Splendid Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1936569

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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Voluntary Liquidator
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GRISHAM INVEST LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 392185

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **John Grimshaw**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/14]

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YPT International (China) Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1732226

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Voluntary Liquidator
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Manicore Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1899731

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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Voluntary Liquidator
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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Retrotex International Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1921998

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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VESENDIA Holding Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1798524

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Lencosa Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1899729

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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REDISCOVERY HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1963934

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Dated 3 June, 2021
(Sgd.) **QI HUI**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/20]

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Pulsing Star Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1972667

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Dated 3 June, 2021
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Voluntary Liquidator
[04/21]

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Notice of Appointment of a Voluntary Liquidator under Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004.

Cityscape Global Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1872784

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 1 day of June 2021. The Liquidator is Ray A. George of Long Trench, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated this 1 day of June 2021
(Sgd.) Ray A. George

Ray A. George
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/22]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004

FULLGOLD AWARD LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 1981426
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Dated: 4th day of June 2021
(Sgd.) Choi Oi Mei
Voluntary Liquidator [04/23]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004

JOIN WEALTH LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 1982861
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Dated: 4th day of June 2021
(Sgd.) Choi Oi Mei
Voluntary Liquidator [04/24]

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KWAN CHEE KIN (PTC) INC
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 19399941
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Dated: 4th day of June 2021
(Sgd.) Barry Neil Mitchell
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/25]

Lyke Financial Inc.

Company No. 1831722
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Lyke Financial Inc. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 2nd June, 2021 and Querube Castillo De Nuñez of MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Avenida Del Pacifico and Avenida Paseo Del Mar, Costa Del Este, Panama City, Republic of Panama been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 4th day of June, 2021
Sgd. Querube Castillo De Nuñez
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/26]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

ASU Management Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st day of May 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
LIN Danyang of
No. 30, Yangguang Road,
Yangdai Village, Chendai Town,
Jinjiang City, Fujian Province,
China

[04/27]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

CGC Shihui Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st day of May 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699, Gubei Road,
Minhang District, Shanghai,
China

[04/28]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Chatzin Technologies Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st day of May 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699, Gubei Road,
Minhang District, Shanghai,
China

[04/29]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Quantum Magic Ltd
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 26th day of May 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-
CHEN Debo of
No. 3, Shi Jie, Liushan Township,
Yantan District, Zigong City,
Sichuan Province,
China
[04/30]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

I&R (BVI) Technology Co., Ltd.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
WANG Xiaoyi of

Room 1507, Building 3, Zishouyuan,
Beiyuan Jiayuan, Chaoyang District,
Beijing,
China

[04/31]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Bright Initiation Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/32]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Deep Sage Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/33]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Deep Bright Holdings Ltd
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/34]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Matrix Processing Technology Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/35]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Sage Ridge Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/36]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

Vector Labs Holdings Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,
Gubei Road, Minhang District,
Shanghai,
China

[04/37]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
(NO. 16 OF 2004)

BLUE FORTRESS INVESTMENT HOLDING LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 3rd day of June 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-
Christopher S. Mckenzie of

Arawak Chambers, Mandar House,
P.O. Box 2196, Johnson's Ghut,
Tortola VG1110,
British Virgin Islands

[04/38]

FURNMART LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company Number 283899
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 4th day of June, 2021. Dated this 4th day of June, 2021
Sgd. Do Hin Tak

Do Hin Tak
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/39]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
YOUNG SHINE GLOBAL ENTERPRISE CO., LTD.
("the Company")

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st day of May, 2021; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck from the Register. The Liquidator is:-
Yen, San-Chuan

of No. 3, Ln. 136,
Junfu 19th Rd.,
Beitun Dist., Taichung City 406
Taiwan (R.O.C)

[04/40]

NOTICE
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT
Lilyworth Holdings Corp.
("the Company")

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st day of May, 2021; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck from the Register. The Liquidator is:-
Inka Farhana Binte Jeffery

Blk 145 Tampines Street 12
#09-346
Singapore
521145

[04/41]

PUBLIC NOTICES

TOPFAIR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

Company No. 1414890
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that TOPFAIR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 7th June, 2021 and Ms. Jin Yanhong of Room 201, Unit 6, Building 17, Gangmingli, Dagang Street, Binhai New District, Tianjin, China has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.
Dated this: 8th day of June, 2021
Sgd. Ms. Jin Yanhong
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/63]

WILLINHAM MANAGEMENT LTD.

Company No. 668574
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that WILLINHAM MANAGEMENT LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Sabine Zwister
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/64]

A.T.G. HOLDINGS INC.

Company No. 57818
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that A.T.G. HOLDINGS INC. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Micheline Abdel Ahad
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/65]

CIVITAS IP. LTD

Company No. 1994574
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that CIVITAS IP. LTD has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/66]

ZARENGAL CONSULTING LTD.

Company No. 1925114
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ZARENGAL CONSULTING LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Ms. Fanny Bushi
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/67]

HAYBA GROUP LTD.

Company No. 1878932
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that HAYBA GROUP LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/68]

Cofoz Financial Inc.

Company No. 1812110
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Cofoz Financial Inc. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Rachel Louise Wells
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/69]

MAIDA SECURITIES LTD.

Company No. 1693468
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that MAIDA SECURITIES LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 28th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/70]

SILANTI HOLDING LTD.

Company No. 1693437
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that SILANTI HOLDING LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 28th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/71]

GAPOL GROUP LIMITED

Company No. 1592447
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that GAPOL GROUP LIMITED has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 28th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/72]

GAC SOLUTIONS LIMITED

Company No. 1036114
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that GAC SOLUTIONS LIMITED has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mrs. Lineth Ponce
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/73]

LAVON INTERNATIONAL LTD.

Company No. 1008061
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that LAVON INTERNATIONAL LTD. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 27th, 2021.
Dated this 8th day of June 2021
Sgd. Mr. Carlos Alberto Alonso Henriques
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/74]

Notice of Appointment of a Voluntary Liquidator under Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004.

AI Development Global Inc.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1681786

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 4th June 2021. The Liquidator is Ray A. George, of Long Trench, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.
Dated this 4 June 2021
Ray A. George
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/75]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

RAWAFED HOLDING LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1975537

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from June 8, 2021.
Dated: June 8, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/76]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. BRIGHT SPARK VENTURES LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1626645

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 26, 2021.
Dated: June 7, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/77]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. ARCO INVESTMENT GROUP LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 22922

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 26, 2021.
Dated: June 7, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/78]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. FOSTER REAL ESTATE LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 202596

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 26, 2021.
Dated: June 7, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/79]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. Quarzon Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1726275

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from June 1, 2021.
Dated: June 7, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/80]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

TIGGRIS INVESTMENTS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1762919

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from May 28, 2021.
Dated: June 7, 2021
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/81]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004

STRATEGIC WORLDWIDE ASSETS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1022424

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 21st April, 2021.
Dated: 8th day of June 2021
(Sgd.) Tan Giok Lian
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/82]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004

LyraSummers Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1941446

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 21st April, 2021.
Dated: 7th day of Jun 2021
(Sgd.) LIU, Beini
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/83]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004

PMDOG Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company No. 1941444

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 21st April, 2021.
Dated: 7th day of June 2021
(Sgd.) LIU, Beini
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/84]

Why 84 countries are borrowing from the IMF

By Sir Ronald Sanders

In the wake of the economic damage done by the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, countries in every continent of the world have turned to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for assistance.

It is right that they have done so. The IMF exists to provide economic and financial support to countries when other options have been extinguished. The pandemic brought countries to that situation in rapid time, particularly tourism dependent countries which were the hardest hit.

In some countries, there is an ideological resentment of the IMF. That resentment is based on past harsh conditionalities that the Fund included in the terms of its loans to countries already in desperate straits. That resentment should be re-evaluated. IMF conditionalities still exist, but they are more geared to recognising the breathing space governments require to get their countries' economies performing at an optimum level. The Fund wants to be repaid, so that, in turn, it can pay back the banks, governments and institutions from which it borrows to supplement its lending resources.

While the main source for IMF loans on non-concessional terms are provided by member countries, through their quota payments, the Fund also borrows money that it lends. Of the IMF's current total resources for lending, amounting to about US\$1 trillion, a significant portion is money that must be repaid.

If the IMF fails to service its loans, the entire world will lose an extremely important pillar of the global financial architecture, resulting in infectious economic instability and, eventually, political chaos and civil strife.

Consequently, like any lender, the IMF has to make sure that borrowing countries will be able to repay. It sets terms – called conditionalities – to ensure that the best use is made by borrowers of the money they are advanced, and that loans can be repaid.

Presently, IMF loans are on more generous terms than they used to be. For instance, financing for approved medium term growth and development strategies could be secured with a repayment period of 14 years, a 4-year moratorium and an interest rate of 1 per cent. Loans of this nature are not available from any other source.

Of course, negotiating the best conditionalities is important. This is not the time to lay-off public sector workers, especially in countries where employment in the private sector has declined disastrously because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The IMF Executive Board and Management are aware of that and have adopted policies that are more open to support for vulnerable groups than they were in the past.



What is more, approval by the IMF to fund a programme opens the door to borrowing from other financial institutions, and to rescheduling debt with agencies such as the Paris Club. These institutions, including the Caribbean Development Bank, regard the imprimatur of the IMF as crucial in determining a country's creditworthiness.

In the present global economic crisis, 84 countries have already taken advantage of the IMF's lending to the tune of US\$109,594.38 million. Of those countries, eight are CARICOM states, namely: Bahamas, Barbados,

Dominica, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, St Lucia and St Vincent and the Grenadines which have borrowed US\$842 million. Eleven Latin American countries, including Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama, Peru, Ecuador and Nicaragua, have borrowed US\$66,677.46 million.

Those, who argue against the IMF on ideological grounds, should have alternative sources of financing to propose. Either they must show a clear path to the capacity of their countries to recover and prosper from renewed and sustainable economic activity, or they must identify cheaper sources of borrowing with less strenuous terms. If they cannot identify such possibilities in a realistic way, then the only alternative to borrowing from the IMF is to leave their economies to languish, running out of money and failing to provide goods and services that their people expect.

The current economic conditions, across the CARICOM states except for Guyana, and possibly St Kitts-Nevis and Trinidad and Tobago, require pragmatism and practicality in recognising that working with the IMF has value.

There is no shame in going to the IMF to borrow in the current climate. It is a necessity, particularly when other options have dried-up. Further, the IMF is fulfilling the role for which it was created – to lend when other options are closed. The anti-IMF ideological argument is one that cuts off your nose to spite your face. It makes little sense.

In the current crisis, political parties and others that try to discredit governments because they opt to borrow from the IMF, ignore two salient points. First, governments are not now constrained to approach the IMF because of any failed policies they pursued; they approach the IMF because the devastating effects of the pandemic forced them there. And, second, the IMF is a lender of last resort. Governments contract with the IMF because the economic circumstances of their countries are such that they must borrow to sustain their populations, and, in those conditions, where better than the institution that provides the cheapest lending.



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Will Covid Unbiased History be censored?

The world is holding its breath, hoping that the anti-Covid vaccines will really protect the global population while freeing it from endless lockdowns.

From its onset, Covid has been manipulated by politicians to secure more votes at any impending elections while "controlling" the situation.

One needs only to remember what was perpetrated by the Trump administration in the USA and the lousy performance of superpowers and significant countries like England, Germany, France, Italy, India, and Spain, to name a few. In other countries like Brazil, the pandemic was allowed to cause as much grief as possible and it is not to be believed that a God-fearing nation would let such a holocaust occur. The countries that did nothing about it can be accused of being "accomplices".

The reaction to lockdowns worldwide has been rather hostile as they are perceived by most of the population as dramatically detrimental to the economy and used in a yo-yo modality that is inconsistent to the point of revealing the incompetence of decision-makers.

A commentary published by The Nevada Independent sums up the reaction of the populace as follows: "While drastic lockdown measures to prevent further deaths and lower overall COVID-19 case numbers are well-intentioned, they continue to miss the point that is causing so much pain. Most Americans who oppose lockdowns do so not because they are "murderers" or "heartless" or "sociopaths" or "grandma killers" (or any other insult that has been heaped upon them), but because they and their families and friends are losing everything that matters to them while the elite class preaching shutdowns hasn't lost a thing — except convenience."

Public figures do their best to irritate the populace. Take Bill Gates as an example; he has been nicknamed the "Global Health Czar". Interestingly enough 'Wired' poses this question: "Should we be surprised that a monopolist-turned-philanthropist maintains his commitment to [Pharma's] monopoly patent rights as a philanthropist too?"

When an unbiased Covid history will be written, many countries will be so ashamed to make serious efforts to omit such a chapter from textbooks used in schools.

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(PROBATE)
THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

BVIHPB 2021/

IN THE ESTATE OF ALBERT CALLWOOD (also known as
ALBERT EDWARD
CALLWOOD) late of Brewers Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands,
deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF
APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by VANCITO SEWER (also known as VANCITO HENRIQUITO SEWER) (hereinafter referred to as "the Applicant" or "the Intended Administrator") of 3C-2 Estate Fortuna, St. Thomas 00802, United States Virgin Islands, for a Grant of Letters of Administration de bonis non administratis of the above-named deceased ("the Deceased") who died on the 31st day of October, 1939, at Brewer's Bay, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, domiciled in the Territory of the Virgin Islands. The Applicant is a person interested in the succession of the Deceased, being a Beneficiary and the Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Sewer (née Callwood), deceased, one of the lawful children and heirs of the Deceased.

ANY PERSON having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration De Bonis Non to the Applicant shall file an objection with the Registrar of the High Court in the Territory of The Virgin Islands within fourteen (14) days of the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated this 28th day of May, 2021.

Filed by: **VIGILATE LAW**,
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant/Intended

Administrator, whose address for service is at:
185 Main Street, Lagoon Plaza,
Ground Floor, Road Town, Tortola,
Virgin Islands (British), Tel: (284) 340-8484.

[04]

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Estate of **CHAN LUN CHONG MICHAEL** (also known as "CHAN LUN CHONG") late of House 9, Sunderland, 1 Hereford Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong, deceased

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of probate of **CHAN LUN CHONG MICHAEL** (also known as "CHAN LUN CHONG") late of House 9, Sunderland, 1 Hereford Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong, deceased, granted by the High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Court of First Instance, at Hong Kong on 21 October 2020.

Filed by: **Conyers Dill & Pearman**
Attorneys-at-Law for the Executor
Whose address for service is: Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1,
PO Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola VG1110, British Virgin Islands

[05]

The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
Virgin Islands

BVIHPB2020/0014

In the Estate of **Ralph Telford O'Neal** also known as
Ralph Telford O'Neale, late of McNamara, Road Town,
Tortola, British Virgin Islands, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that **CHRISNEAL ABIGAIL O'NEAL** of McNamara, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, a lawful child of **RALPH TELFORD O'NEAL** also known as **RALPH TELFORD O'NEALE**, deceased who died on the 11th day of November, 2019 domiciled in the British Virgin Islands (the Deceased), has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for Letters of Administration with Will Annexed in the estate of the Deceased.

ANY PERSON having an objection to the said Grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed to the said **CHRISNEAL ABIGAIL O'NEAL**, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice, lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.



Solicitors for the Intended Administratrix

[05]

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

IN THE ESTATE OF **ERLON DONOVAN ROTTA RIBEIRO**, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that **Laci Dagmar Zoller Ribeiro** of Rua Desembargador Otávio do Amaral, 370, apto 04, Bigorriinho, Curitiba - PR, 80730-400, Brazil, the widow and intended Administrator of the Estate of the Deceased who died intestate on the 14th day of September 2020 in Brazil, has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration in the estate of the said **Erlon Donovan Rotta Ribeiro**, deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said **Erlon Donovan Rotta Ribeiro** shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.

Dated the 09th day of June, 2021

Harney Westwood & Riegels LP
Solicitors for the Administrator

[05]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator
under Section 204 of the BVI
Business Company Act.

BLUEBELL CONSULTING LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on June 2, 2021. The Liquidator is Mr. Santiago Nicolas Slinger Argibay with address at Colonia, 993, Apto. Piso 6, 11103 Montevideo, Uruguay.

Dated: June 2, 2021.
(Sgd.) **Santiago Nicolas Slinger Argibay**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/107]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator
under Section 204 of the BVI
Business Company Act.

MEP Project S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on June 2, 2021. The Liquidator is **MINERVA ACOSTA** with address at Torre Delta Building, 17th Floor, Office 1704, Via España, Elvira Mendez Street, Panama City, Republic of Panama.

Dated: June 2, 2021.
(Sgd.) **MINERVA ACOSTA**
Voluntary Liquidator
[04/108]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator
under Section 204 of the BVI Business
Company Act.

Yurovan Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on June 2, 2021. The Liquidator is Mr. Kevin Ackerman with address at Seestrasse 37, 8002 Zürich, Switzerland.

Dated: June 2, 2021.
(Sgd.) **Kevin Ackerman**
Voluntary Liquidator

[04/109]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under
Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.

Neptune Holdco Limited
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 2011784

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1), subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on June 9, 2021. The Liquidator is **Aubrey Robertson** of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated: June 10, 2021.
(Sgd.) **Audrey Robertson**
Voluntary Liquidator

[04/110]

PUBLIC NOTICES



Lands and Survey Department
P.O. Box 142
Road Town, TORTOLA VG1110
VIRGIN ISLANDS

BVILR/PRE/07/2021

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION BY PRESCRIPTION

SECTION 135 OF THE REGISTERED LAND ACT
CAP 229 OF THE 1991 EDITION OF THE REVISED LAWS OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
West Central	2437B	83

The Registrar of Lands hereby gives NOTICE that Maximea & Co. Law Chambers, Road Town, Tortola, Virgin Islands, Legal Practitioners, on the behalf of ROSE INEZ HENLEY, of Cane Garden Bay, Tortola, Virgin Islands have applied to be registered as proprietor by Prescription for Parcel 83 Block 2437B, West Central Registration Section; and have filed affidavits in support of her application.

Parcel 83 is registered to:

- ALDORA CHAPMAN nee HENLEY as Personal Representative of Jarvin Buntin Henley, deceased

The relevant documents may be inspected at the Lands and Survey Department (Lands Unit) upon request. Copies will be provided by the applicants' Legal Practitioners.

Anyone who has just caused to object to ROSE INEZ HENLEY being registered as proprietor of the aforementioned parcel should submit proper document to the Registrar of Lands no later than 15th day of July, 2021.

Dated this 7th day of June 2021.

Natalie Stevens-George
Administrative Officer
for Chief Registrar of Lands

To: Aldora Chapman nee Henley Personal Representative of Jarvin Buntin Henley, deceased

Maximea & Co. Law Chambers
Legal Practitioners for Rose Inez Henley
PO Box 4696
Road Town, Tortola, VG1110
Virgin Islands

Tel: Lands Unit: (284) 468-2017, Survey Unit: (284) 468-4321 | Email: Lands Unit: landregistration@gov.vg,
Survey Unit: landandsurveydept@gov.vg | Website: www.bvi.gov.vg

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS PROBATE DIVISION

BVIHPB No. 2021/0110

IN THE ESTATE OF JENNETTE ARONA SCATLIFFE-
DONOVAN, LATE OF ROAD TOWN, TORTOLA,
VIRGIN ISLANDS, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by TAMACA SHEREINA TAMARA GIFFT (nee DONOVAN) of 5 Severn Ct, Palm Coast, Florida 32164, United States of America for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicant, who is the daughter of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 8th day of December, 2019 at Peebles Hospital, Road Town, Tortola, Virgin Islands.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2021.

Filed by N. R Samuel & Co, Solicitors for the Administrator whose address for service is 3rd Floor, Chevelle Center, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

[05]

Assessment Of COVID-19 Impact On BVI's Workforce Continues

The Government of the Virgin Islands continues to assess the impact of COVID-19 on businesses and employees and is requesting a detailed Workforce Assessment from employers in the Territory.

Employers are to submit the assessment regarding the status of their businesses and employees to the Department of Labour and Workforce Development for the period March 2020 to May 2021.

The assessment will be ongoing periodically and the Government anticipates full compliance from employers throughout this process. Failure to comply may result in work permit applications not being processed efficiently.

The Workforce Assessment form is available on the Government's website: www.bvi.gov.vg (<https://bvi.gov.vg/content/workforce-assessment>). Completed assessments should be emailed to labour@gov.vg or workforce@gov.vg as soon as possible in unencrypted, Excel format.

The department can be contacted at 468-4707, or 468-4708 for further information.

Deadline Extended For Boards Membership Applications

The Government of the Virgin Islands has extended its recruitment drive for persons to sit as members of the various Boards and Commissions to June 25.

This is the first time that the roles are being actively advertised to attract a broad selection of candidates who will be interviewed and chosen based on merit, prior experience and competence in the sector.

Members of the Boards and Commissions in the Virgin Islands are appointed in order to consult on the proper running of the institution, and are being sought for the BVI Airports Authority, BVI Ports Authority, Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Commission and Virgin Islands Trade Commission.

Interested persons are advised that membership for the Prospect Reef Board as previously advised is on hold and the public will be notified once recruitment for membership on this board resumes.

Current serving members in position will be given the opportunity to apply; however, each candidate will be reviewed independently and on the basis of the same criteria to ensure a fair process and transparency. Candidates have until June 25 to submit applications.

To apply, qualified persons are asked to send their Resumes/ Curriculum Vitae to the Permanent Secretary, Premier's Office, Cutlass Building, 2nd Floor, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110 or via e-mail at premieroffice@gov.vg.

Cabinet Meeting – 28th May, 2021

His Excellency, the Governor Mr. John J. Rankin, CMG, chaired the Meeting held on 28th May, 2021, which was held at the Financial Services Commission's Conference Room.

All Members were present, with the exception of the Minister for Transportation, Works and Utilities Hon. Kye Rymer, who was away on personal leave.

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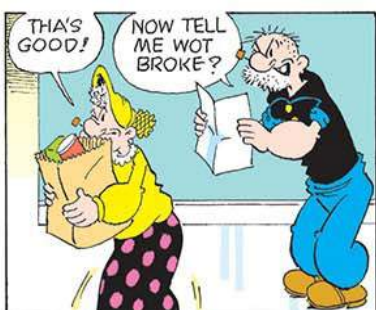
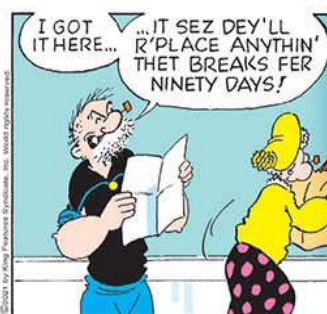
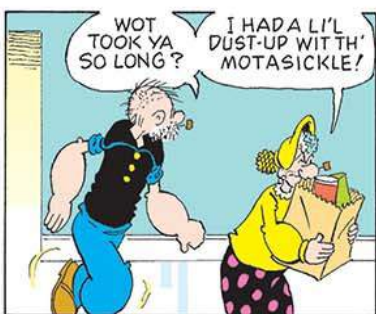
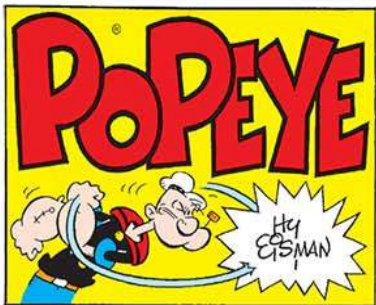
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"In view of the increased cost of living, I'm now charging twenty dollars for any opinion I give on



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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Export & Import Coordinator
Candidate must have some experience with freight and courier logistics, must be able to handle all air and sea cargo shipments, work with our walk-in customers, have experience with BVI customs process of import/export, clear packages, track and control shipments, some knowledge of sales, have excellent customer service. Be hard working and self-motivated, able to keep to deadlines, be a self-motivated and multitask. (speak Spanish as a second language is a plus). Have good computer skills, proficient MS Office.

Send resumes to:
hr@jmlcorporation.com or drop off CV at DeliverIT office at the Trident Building in Road Town [s05]

Thomas & Ross business services is seeking an administrative director. Must have administrative experience such as but not limited to bookkeeping, clergy sales. Must be able to work unsupervised. Minimum wage is offered. Call 3410783 or email ian@ianadolphusthomas.com [s05]

PUBLIC NOTICES

SW Industry Investment Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Company Number 2022697

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 10th day of June, 2021. The Liquidator is YU ZHIXING of No.067, Yulou Village, Wanglou Administrative Village, Nanfeng Town, Dancheng County, Henan Province, China. Dated this 10th day of June, 2021
Sgd. YU ZHIXING

YU ZHIXING
Voluntary Liquidator
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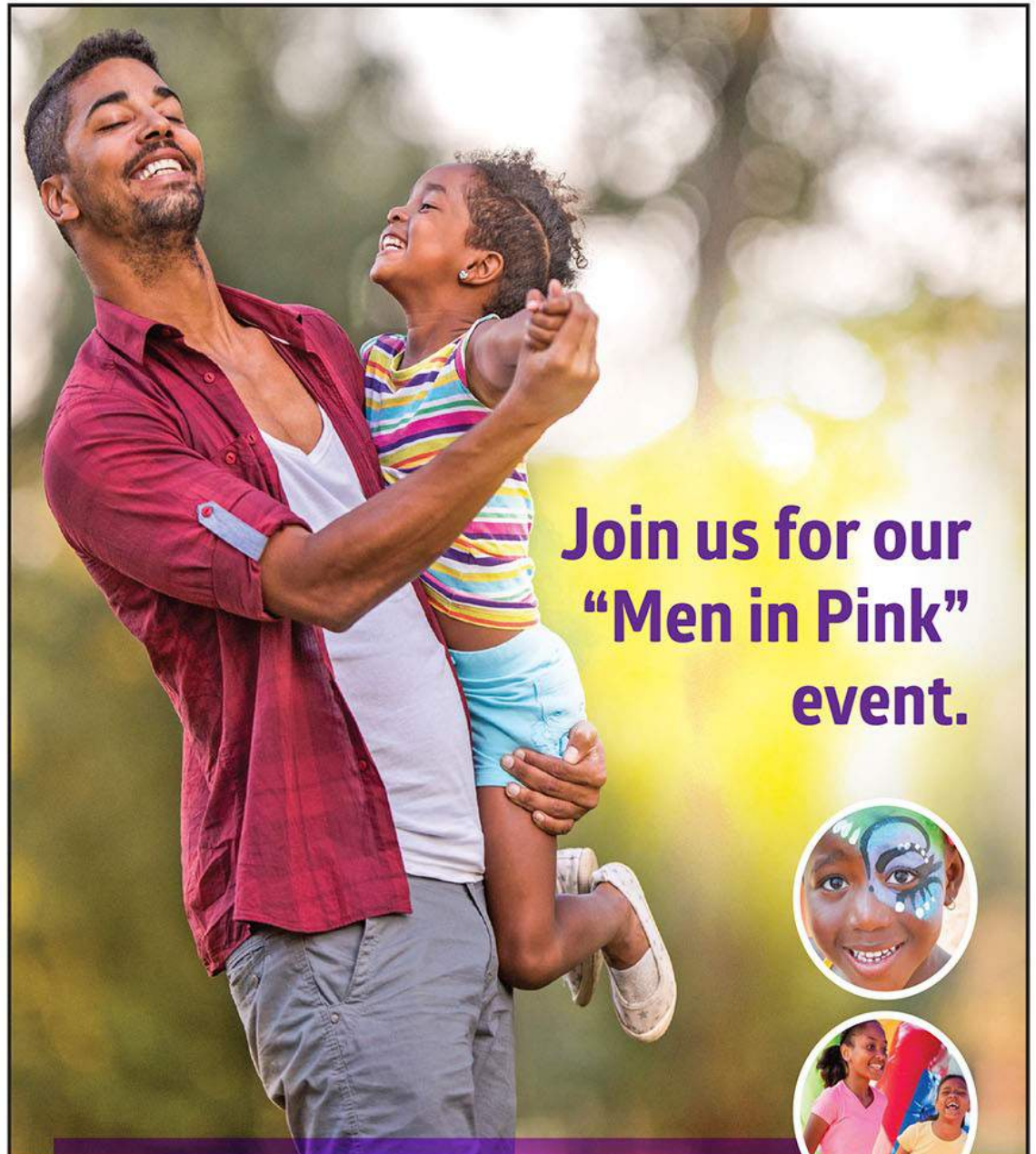
Retail Sales Associate: Must have a minimum of 2 years' experience, must be efficient, responsible, dedicated and hard working. Must drive, have excellent customer service, make sale orders for shipment, know how to track and account for sale shipments, service walk-in customers, assist in sale inventory products, be hard working and self-motivated, able to keep to deadlines, be a self-motivated and multitask. Have good computer skills, proficient MS Office.

Please send CV to: hr@jmlcorporation.com, or drop off CV at DeliverIT office at the Trident Building in Road Town [s05]

P & L Gift Shop is in need of a Sales Clerk to work on Jost Van Dyke. Must have two years experience to do the job. Please call 346-7838 for more information. [s05]

Happy Lion Restaurant is seeking one (1) full time General Cleaner. Contact 284-494-2574. [s05]

CHARLES-HODGE CLEANING-SERVICES needs :
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Join us for our
"Men in Pink"
event.



Cyril B Romney Pier Park
Saturday, 19 June, 2021
11:00am - 4:00pm

Come out and partake in paid events such as the dog and bone race, face painting, the bouncy house and many more.

Enjoy music by popular DJ Carly Cartel, while indulging in food and drinks which will be on sale.

This event celebrates fathers, while raising funds for our annual Walk for the Cure event.

All funds raised are donated directly to the BVI Cancer Society.

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COVID-19 UPDATE AND ADJUSTING COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES TO SUPPORT CONTINUED SAFE REOPENING

STATEMENT BY HONOURABLE CARVIN MALONE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

JUNE 10TH 2021

I extend greetings to everyone in the Virgin Islands and to those joining us by radio and other social media platforms.

As Minister for Health and Social Development I pledged to continually keep you abreast of new developments as we continue to live and thrive in this COVID-19 era. Yes! I said thrive! We certainly recognise that COVID-19 does not appear to be going anywhere! So the reality is we have to live; we have to work; we have to exist and now we must continue to thrive in spite of this dreadful virus.

As of today, 10th June, 2021 a total of 52,480 tests were conducted on individuals swabbed throughout the Territory and assessed at the Dr. D. Orlando Smith Hospital. The Virgin Islands has recorded a total of 295 cases, with 291 recoveries and 1 death. There are presently 3 active positive cases in the Territory -- one of which was captured on their day 7 screening and the other 2 are contacts of this case. All remaining positive cases are presently located on the island of Tortola. The Public Health Unit Team continues to monitor all positive cases closely and these persons will remain in mandatory quarantine until they are deemed fully recovered.

I continue to say, and I must say here again, "We are not out of the woods yet!" When we listen or read the news accounts of what is happening in our sister nations like Trinidad and Tobago and even Jamaica, we see firsthand that the COVID-19 pandemic is still REAL in several parts of the world, including our own Caribbean region. This pandemic continues to accelerate causing rising death tolls as health systems and economies near and far continue to buckle under the strain of this deadly disease. While we remain grateful for the way God has been gracious to this Territory in allowing us to still be spared the ravages of COVID-19, we must also remain vigilant and mindful that it only takes one unknown carrier to impact from 10 to more than 70 individuals over a short time span. Our own experiences over the last year has shown where one carrier was linked to some 36 cases soon after. Let us take nothing and no one for granted! Remember COVID-19 has no name tag!

As we continue our phased reopening of the BVI to

international travelers, we must remain fully aware of the realities around us. We cannot be paralysed with fear – but at the same time we have to take stock of the real possibilities that can happen when COVID-19 is able to get past the stop gaps put in place for the safety of ourselves, our families and our Territory that we love so dear. Our preventative measures such as washing of hands, wearing of mask and staying an appropriate distance away from persons cannot be forgotten or placed on the back burner. We MUST observe all safety PROTOCOLS if we are to remain safe from the ravages of this virus!

Let me now pivot to the statistics related to the vaccine rollout.

In previous reports, I informed of the 34,000 doses of vaccines which were donated to the British Virgin Islands by the United Kingdom Government. We had anticipated that 17,000 persons would be able to have free access to two doses of vaccines per person.

To date, 12,245 persons have received their first doses, while 7,289 have received their second doses. An analysis of these totals shows that:

On Tortola, 10,217 first doses and 6,217 second doses have been administered to date;

On Virgin Gorda 1,815 first doses and 974 second doses were administered;

On Jost Van Dyke 98 first doses and 50 second doses were administered; and

On Anegada 115 first doses and 48 second doses were administered to date.

I was hoping by now that our first dose numbers would be significantly higher; at least in the 15,000 persons range (a mere 2000 persons away from our 17,000 goal). But we are not there yet! There is still some ways to go, but the reality is time is not on our side! The current stocks of vaccines we have available in the Territory are set to expire by July 31, 2021. That means in order for us to effectively use the vaccines in stock, persons still expected to receive their first dose can do so no later than July 3, 2021. This would give a 4 week time frame between the first and second dose.

Again, I must appeal to all residents and stakeholders in this Territory, who are eagerly anticipating a measured yet unrestricted reopening of all our borders; we MUST take this

vaccine roll out seriously! Despite the growing voices of dissent to the vaccine – not only in the BVI, but throughout the Region and the World, the vaccine is literally the only viable assurance of returning to some level of normalcy. If we as a Territory can achieve the herd immunity we hear so much about, we must have a greater uptake in the vaccine. And the fact is, what we have available will soon expire! Your Government has done all that we can to prepare and prevent this disease from impacting us all. We must each now take personal responsibility for the lives and livelihoods of ourselves, our family members and for us as an entire Territory.

We are pleased to welcome professor Ian Cumming of Public Health England to the Territory as he conduct an assessment of our COVID-19 measures and offer recommendation not only for laboratory improvements but also of his experience as he travels throughout the British Overseas Territories.

The Health Emergency Operations Centre (HEOC) and the Public Health teams continue to monitor the COVID situation as it unfolds and proposes strategies to help mitigate the impact of the pandemic on our Territory. At a Cabinet Meeting held yesterday Wednesday the 9th of May, the HEOC team proposed additional adjustments to our COVID-19 public health measures to support the continued safe reopening of the Territory. Several changes were suggested and approved by Cabinet allowing additional amendments to entry requirements, particularly for vaccinated travellers.

I am pleased to provide this update on the subsequent changes which are expected to take effect by June 15th 2021.

Cabinet has decided that fully vaccinated persons travelling from overseas would be required to provide an RT-PCR test or an approved rapid antigen test within five (5) days of arrival and provide satisfactory evidence of being fully vaccinated.

Cabinet further decided that fully vaccinated travellers would no longer be subject to PCR testing on arrival (day zero) and resultantly NO quarantine time would be required save for that ordered by a Quarantine Officer as a result of their entry screening.

In addition, effective June 15, 2021, Cabinet decided that partially vaccinated persons travelling

from overseas would require a PCR test within (5) days of travel; provide satisfactory evidence of being partially vaccinated, and will be subject to a PCR test or rapid antigen test upon arrival in the Territory (day zero) and quarantined for a period of four (4) days.

In light of these decisions, Cabinet further decided that the Gateway administrative fee be reduced from \$105.00 to no more than thirty-five dollars (\$35) for fully vaccinated travellers.

For flight and vessel crews who are fully vaccinated, Cabinet decided that these persons would no longer be required to conduct bi-weekly screening and testing, but should self-monitor and report any symptoms of or recent exposure to COVID-19.

For the record, I think it is important to emphasize that these decisions will take effect from June 15, 2021. All things being equal, we anticipate that the revision of the entry portal to effect these changes will be a work in progress. We therefore ask travellers to be patient with us as we anticipate there will be processing issues in light of these amendments. Safety must remain our first priority for this Territory and we crave your indulgence during this period.

Decisions taken and reported during my last presentation on May 13th still remain in effect. Let me highlight these again for the benefit of everyone:

1. Where fully vaccinated persons are travelling with one or more unvaccinated child:

Children aged 5-17 will be tested on arrival;

Children will remain with their fully vaccinated parents/guardians while awaiting their test results.

Unvaccinated children will be required to return to a testing centre and be subjected to a further test on day four.

2. The quarantine period for unvaccinated travellers has been extended from four (4) days to seven (7) days. This still remains in effect.

3. Where people are traveling with mixed groups with some individuals unvaccinated, the party of unvaccinated individuals will be expected to be quarantined for 7 days upon arrival. The exemptions recently approved will only apply to the vaccinated persons in that party.

The recent decisions taken by Cabinet will also effect some additional changes particularly for 'outgoing day trippers'. Persons who now wish to travel to the US Virgin Islands, St. Maarten, or



Hon. Caevin Malone

Puerto Rico for any period, as long as they are fully vaccinated, would no longer be required to take a PCR test seven days after returning to the Territory. However, children aged 5 to 17 travelling with their parents on the day trip will be required to take a RT-PCR test 7 days from their travel.

As a result of these decisions, the Premier will soon be announcing further measures that will be put in place that will continue to strengthen our tourism industry and by extension our economy, while balancing lives and livelihoods.

As we continue to live, work and thrive in this COVID-era, I will continue to sound the alarm that vaccination is our best defense against this pandemic. And as the decisions announced today would have shown, there will be benefits derived for persons fully vaccinated; even for persons living in and visiting these islands. I will continue to reiterate the fact that new, more aggressive strains continue to emerge, as the virus mutates and spreads rapidly from one region to another, increasing the risk of severe illness and death.

The reality is none of us know how the virus will affect us. We simply must be vigilant and do the next best thing, get VACCINATED! Protect yourself, your loved ones and our economy! Remember VIGILANCE now more than ever! We cannot let our guards down! Can we reopen – YES we can! Gradually with all the necessary protocols and precautionary measures!

Will we reopen? – YES we will! With the support and diligence of you the PEOPLE! Must we reopen? – YES we must! Our livelihoods depend on it!

Again, let me remind you – wash your hands! Wear your masks! Cover your coughs and sanitise your surfaces as often as you must! Also, keep your distance! May the grace and mercy of God continue to watch over this little Territory as we continue to traverse these waters! Let us all continue to do our parts! God blessings on the citizens and residents of these Virgin Islands. I thank you for listening!

G-7 Nations Reach Historic Deal to Tax Big Multinationals

LONDON - [VOA - Reuters] - The United States, Britain and other leading nations reached a landmark deal Saturday to pursue higher global taxation on multinational businesses such as Google, Facebook, Apple and Amazon.

In a move that could raise hundreds of billions of dollars to help governments cope with the aftermath of COVID-19, the Group of Seven (G-7) large, advanced economies agreed to back a minimum global corporate tax rate of at least 15%. Companies will also have to pay more tax in the countries where they make sales.

“G-7 finance ministers have reached a historic agreement to reform the global tax system to make it fit for the global digital age,” Britain’s Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak said after chairing a two-day meeting in London.

The meeting, hosted at an ornate 19th-century mansion near Buckingham Palace in central London, was the first time finance ministers have met face to face since the start of the pandemic. U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said the “significant, unprecedented commitment” would end what she called a race to the bottom on global taxation.

German Finance Minister Olaf Scholz said the deal was “bad news for tax havens around the world,” adding: “Companies will no longer be in a position to dodge their tax obligations by booking their profits in the lowest-tax countries.”

Lengthy fight

Rich nations have struggled for years to agree on a way to

raise more revenue from large multinationals, which can pay little tax on the billions of dollars of sales they make in countries around the world, draining public finances.

U.S. President Joe Biden’s administration gave the stalled talks fresh impetus, however, by proposing a minimum global corporation tax rate of 15% to deter companies from booking profits elsewhere.

The 15% is above the level in countries such as Ireland but below the lowest level in the G-7. Amazon and Google welcomed the agreement, and Facebook said it would likely pay more tax.

Nick Clegg, Facebook’s vice president for global affairs and a former British deputy prime minister, said: “We want the international tax reform process to succeed and recognize this could mean Facebook paying more tax, and in different places.”

But some campaign groups condemned what they saw as a lack of ambition.

Broader support

The deal, years in the making, also promises to end national digital services taxes levied by Britain and other European countries, which the United States said unfairly targeted U.S. technology giants.

But the measures will first need to find broader support at a meeting of the G-20 — which includes a number of emerging economies — scheduled for next month in Venice.

“It’s complicated and this is a first step,” Sunak said. Countries still must agree upon which big companies will be covered and how governments will divide up the tax revenue.

Germany, France and Italy welcomed the tax agreement, although French Finance Minister Bruno Le Maire said he would fight for a higher global minimum corporate tax rate than 15%, which he described as a “starting point.”

Campaign groups such as international development charity Oxfam also said the minimum tax rate should be much higher.

“They are setting the bar so low that companies can just step over it,” Oxfam’s head of inequality policy, Max Lawson, said. But Irish Minister for Finance Paschal Donohoe, whose country is potentially affected because of its 12.5% tax rate, said any global deal also needed to take account of smaller nations.

Sunak said the deal was a “huge prize” for taxpayers, but it was too soon to know how much money it would raise for Britain. The agreement does not specify which businesses will be covered by the rules, referring only to “the largest and most profitable multinational enterprises.”

Some European countries have feared that a business such as Amazon could slip through the net as it reports lower profit margins than most other well-known technology companies.

Ministers also agreed to move toward making companies declare their environmental impact in a more standard way so investors can decide more easily whether to fund them, a key goal for Britain.

The G-7 includes the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada.

New US\$50 billion health, trade and finance roadmap to end the pandemic and secure a global recovery

Heads of International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank Group (WB), World Health Organization (WHO) and World Trade Organization (WTO) issue extraordinary call for financing actions by government leaders to accelerate end to COVID-19 pandemic.

IMF, WB, WHO and WTO principals call for US\$50 billion investment to generate US\$9 trillion in global economic returns by 2025 and boost manufacturing capacity, supply, trade flows and the equitable distribution of diagnostics, oxygen, treatments, medical supplies and vaccines.

Call to action by this quadrilateral grouping comes at a perilous point in the pandemic and as the historic World Health Assembly concludes, G7 meetings commence, and follows the G20 Global Health Summit.

Doses need to be donated immediately to developing countries, synchronized with national vaccine deployment plans, including through COVAX, which is co-led by CEPI, Gavi and WHO, alongside key delivery partner UNICEF.

The heads of the world’s predominant global financing, health and trade agencies have united to urge government leaders to urgently finance a new US\$50 billion roadmap to accelerate the equitable distribution of health tools to help end the pandemic that has devastated lives and livelihoods for 18 months and also set the foundations for a truly global recovery, as well as enhanced health security.

In a statement published by newspapers around the world, the leaders of the International Monetary Fund, World Bank Group, World Health Organization and World Trade Organization [Kristalina Georgieva, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, David Malpass and Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala] said governments must act without further delay or risk continued waves and explosive outbreaks of COVID-19 as well as more transmissible and deadly virus variants undermining the global recovery.

Leaders of the four agencies said: “By now it has become abundantly clear there will be no broad-based recovery without an end to the health crisis. Access to vaccination is key to both.”

The joint statement draws on a recent IMF staff analysis, which stated that US\$50 billion in new investment is needed to increase manufacturing capacity, supply, trade flows, and delivery, which would accelerate the equitable distribution of diagnostics, oxygen, treatments, medical supplies and vaccines. This injection would also give a major boost to economic growth around the world.

“At an estimated US\$50 billion, it will bring the pandemic to an end faster in the developing world, reduce infections and loss of lives, accelerate the economic recovery, and generate some US\$9 trillion in additional global output by 2025,” said the leadership.

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Artists' gardens

Artist Robert Irwin is quoted as saying, "There's no palette as rich as a garden." He and other artists often designed their own gardens, and many can be visited today, such as Jacques Majorelle's "Jardin Majorelle" in Marrakech; Frida Kahlo's "Casa Azul" in Mexico City; Sol LeWitt's "Lines in Four Directions in Flowers" in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park; Claude Monet's garden in Giverny, Normandy; Georgia O'Keeffe's garden at Abiquiu, New Mexico; and Adam Purple's "Garden of Eden" in New York. - Brenda Weaver

GEORGIA O'KEEFFE'S ABIQUITO GARDEN

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www.cultivatingplace.com

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I REFUSED TO VOTE FOR THE JAN. 6TH COMMISSION-



-ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD INCRIMINATE ME...

celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne



to your good health WITH Dr. Keith Roach

Commercial Lab Tests vs Genetic Counseling

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have a daughter (almost 31 years) who is concerned about Charcot-Marie-Tooth syndrome. Her maternal grandmother has been diagnosed with that condition. She is interested in seeking out a genetic test for the condition to learn if she is susceptible. She was referred to a commercial, direct-to-consumer laboratory for the test.

How likely is it that a lab test for this specific condition would be accurate? Should she be doing all of this through either a particular type of genetics counselor or her private physician (internist) rather than an independent effort? — R.C.

ANSWER: Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease is the eponym given to a family of hereditary motor sensory neuropathies: diseases that affect the nerves that carry the impulses necessary for movement and sensation. The initial symptoms are most commonly weakness and atrophy in the feet, followed by similar problems in the hands and sensory changes.

The diagnosis may be made by EMG testing (electromyography, a needle study of the electrical activity of the muscles), but genetic testing is another way of making the diagnosis. If her grandmother has a known mutation, then genetic testing is likely to give her confirmation of her own status.

Commercial genetic testing is certainly available, and probably accurate. However, I would still recommend a visit to a genetic counselor. This may require a referral from her primary-care doctor. The correct test to order, and its interpretation,

depends on the exact diagnosis of her grandmother's condition, since there are many genetic variations of Charcot-Marie-Tooth. It is likely that your daughter will have questions after the test results, and the benefit of having an experienced clinician there to answer them would be invaluable.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I'm an 81-year-old man. About two years ago, I began to realize that my testicles were shrinking, and they are now about the size of a marble. I have asked my primary care doctor and urologist about this, and the reply is that nothing can be done about it.

I have read that boxer shorts are recommended to keep the testicles cooler and healthier. I am wondering whether my extensive time sitting at a desk and reading could be related to my shrinking testicles. Or is it related to erectile dysfunction, which is caused by decreased blood flow? I have ED. My last testosterone result was about 500. Is there nothing that can be done, not even any exercises? — L.D.

ANSWER: The medical term for what's happening to you is "testicular atrophy," and it has several possible causes. Age alone is one: At age 81, many men have noticed some shrinkage in testicular size, but yours is beyond the norm. You are right that cooler temperatures are healthier for the testicles, but again, I am a little surprised by the severity of your description.

Among the other common causes are a history of trauma or infection. However, any underlying cause can also affect the ability of the testicles to make testosterone. Your blood testosterone level is surprisingly normal for your age (400-500 is the average for a man in his 80s). A low testosterone is a common cause of erectile dysfunction (poor blood flow is only one cause of ED).

After two years, it is very unlikely that any treatments will affect the testicles now, unfortunately.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Q. I just finished watching the first installment of "True Detective" with Woody Harrelson and Matthew McConaughey. I've heard that the subsequent seasons with a different cast and mystery are not as good, so I might just skip those. Will there be a fourth season, and is there any chance that Harrelson and McConaughey will return for it? — E.O.

A. When the anthology series "True Detective" premiered on HBO in 2014, I remember being surprised that two big movie stars were doing a TV series together. Nowadays, television and streaming services have so many quality projects, it's easy to see why stars cross over often without a second thought.

The third installment of "True Detective" did seem to win back fans and critics alike with lead actor Mahershala Ali taking home an Emmy. According to Deadline.com, a fourth season is in the works, with Casey Bloys, chief content officer at HBO/HBO Max, "working with a couple of writers to find the right tone and take."

McConaughey seems to have shifted away from acting, at least for now. He taught a film production class at the University of Texas and recently expressed interest in running for governor of the Lone Star state. Harrelson will play Timothy Leary in an upcoming limited series "The Most Dangerous Man in America," but it's not known yet when or where that show will air.

Q. Is Jake Tapper the novelist the same man who is on CNN? — R.E.

A. Yes, the multitasking Tapper hosts a weekday news program along with other onscreen duties at CNN. He has published both nonfiction and novels, and also is a political cartoonist. His latest book, "The Devil May Dance," is set during the Rat Pack world of Hollywood in the early 1960s. Tapper, 52, has said in interviews he's fascinated with that era. Right now he seems to be at ease juggling his many hats. Let's hope it continues.



Woody Harrelson

Q. I saw a preview a while back for another musical by the man who created "Hamilton." I thought it was going to be in movie theaters, but then the pandemic hit. Did they ever finish it? — S.T.

A. You're thinking of "In the Heights," which Lin-Manuel Miranda created for the stage long before "Hamilton" became a Broadway sensation. The film adaptation was due out a year ago, but COVID-19 put a halt to that. Fortunately, it'll be in theaters and available to stream on HBO Max beginning June 18.

"In the Heights" the film is directed by Jon M. Chu ("Crazy Rich Asians") and stars Anthony Ramos and Leslie Grace. It's set in the largely Dominican, Washington Heights neighborhood of Manhattan. Ramos reprises his lead role of Usnavi, a bodega owner who dreams of winning the lottery and the heart of a young woman who works at a beauty salon. Jimmy Smits ("NYPD Blue"), Stephanie Beatriz ("Brooklyn Nine-Nine") and Lin-Manuel Miranda himself round out the talented cast.

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• Want to test how ripe your cranberries are? Drop them on the ground! Cranberries are nature's bouncy ball — farmers even use this technique to see if the fruit is ready for shipment.

• In Las Vegas, it's against the law to paw your dentures.

• Near the end of World War I, the French built a "fake Paris" designed to throw off German bombers and fighter pilots, complete with a replica of the Champs-Elysees and Gard Du Nord. It even included a fake railway that lit up at certain points, creating the illusion from the sky of a train moving along the tracks.

• Allergy sufferers, take note: One ragweed plant can release as many as 1 billion grains of pollen.

• Adolf Hitler helped design (with Ferdinand Porsche) the Volkswagen Beetle, as part of an initiative to create "the people's car" — an affordable, practical vehicle that everyone could own.

• Tablecloths were originally designed for use as one big, communal napkin.

• Each of the suits on a deck of cards represents the four major pillars of the economy in the Middle Ages: hearts for the Church, spades for the military, clubs for agriculture and diamonds for the merchant class.

• A person who plays the bongo drums is known as a "bongosero."

• According to research done by MIT, the number 17 is the most common randomly chosen number between one and 20.

• Henry Ford produced the Model T only in black because the black paint available at the time was the fastest to dry.

WHO supports people quitting tobacco to reduce their risk of severe COVID-19

Geneva, (WHO) – The World Health Organization’s ‘Commit to Quit’ tobacco campaign has made resources from its Quitting Toolkit freely available to more than a billion tobacco users, less than 5 months into the year-long campaign.

WHO launched the campaign to support those millions of tobacco users who are actively taking steps to save their lives, but still need help to succeed.

The campaign is currently working directly with 29 focus countries. Each country agreed with WHO on selected activities, including, running national awareness campaigns, re-

leasing new digital tools, revising policies, engaging youth, training health workers, opening new cessation clinics, supporting nicotine replacement therapies through WHO partners, establishing national toll-free quit lines, making quitting courses available, and more.

“Smokers have up to a 50% higher risk of developing severe disease and death from COVID-19, so quitting is best thing smokers can do to lower their risk from this coronavirus, as well as the risk of developing cancers, heart disease and respiratory illnesses,” said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General.

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It echoes economic analysis by the International Chamber of Commerce; and the Eurasia Group - both of which make the case for a relatively modest investment by governments in comparison to the trillions spent on national stimulus plans and lost trillions in foregone economic output. But the critical element of this is that it effectively spurs global vaccination and bridges the equity gap.

“Increasing our ambition and vaccinating more people faster: WHO and its COVAX partners have set a goal of vaccinating approximately 30% of the population in all countries by the end of 2021,” said the four leaders. “But this can reach even 40% through other agreements and surge investment, and at least 60 percent by the first half of 2022.”

Governments are urged to act on the investment opportunity to boost supplies of vaccines, oxygen, tests and treatment. The IMF, WBG, WHO and WTO leaders issued their joint statement as the World Health Assembly drew to a conclusion and a round of G7 meetings were set to start, beginning with a Finance Ministers convening later this week, and following a Global Health Summit co-hosted by the EU and Italy, which chairs the G20.

“To urgently get more shots in arms, doses need to be donated immediately to developing countries synchronized with national vaccine deployment plans, including through COVAX,” said the four leaders. “Cooperation on trade is also needed to ensure free cross-border flows and increasing supplies of raw materials and finished vaccines”



“We urge all countries to play their part by joining the WHO campaign and creating tobacco-free environments that give people the information, support and tools they need to quit, and quit for good.”

“To help tobacco users to commit to be quitters and winners, we are using digital aids to release

the WHO Quit Challenge chatbot and Artificial Intelligence digital health worker Florence, and making advocacy material available in 30 languages,” added Dr Rüdiger Krech, Director Health Promotion, WHO.

The Quit Challenge gives daily notifications of tips and encouragement for up to 6 months to help people

remain tobacco free. It is available for free on WhatsApp, Viber, Facebook Messenger and WeChat.

Globally, roughly 39% of men and 9% of women use tobacco. The highest smoking rates are currently found in Europe at 26%, with projections only showing a 2% decrease by 2025 if urgent government action is not taken.



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