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## OLD IMPORTED VEHICLES TO PAY HIGHER DUTY

Persons who are trying to save on their vehicle purchase cost by ordering a used vehicle from overseas will be disappointed to learn that government is about to increase the duty on such vehicles. The announcement of the proposed duty on used vehicles was mentioned this week by Minister for Transportation, Works and Utilities Hon. Kye Rymer.

During the 8 February edition of the Talking Points radio programme Hon. Rymer mentioned that the policy to make the proposal enforceable is already on the books. He told the programme's hosts: "Cabinet has already passed and approved the restriction on vehicles ten years and older. I think eight to ten years we have where we can import."

In noting that persons who still choose to procure one of the overseas used vehicles will have to pay more than purchasing something more recently manufactured, the Transportation Minister said, "there will be a higher duty and that is across the board for all vehicles with some exceptions for big trucks..."

Previously it was explained that the imported used vehicles that are over 10 years old are blamed for the derelict vehicle situation that is burdening the Territory. Mr. Rymer said that any importation of old used vehicles will be met with upfront disposal cost for future disposal.

In explaining how this disposal cost will be Hon. Rymer mentioned that this provision was created years ago. "I know also there is a derelict fee we are working to. I think this was passed years ago but it was never implemented because right now the Minister of Health is exporting a lot of derelict vehicles at cost. Once we are collecting that it would be offset so that the government wouldn't be responsible for that."

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## **Old Imported Vehicles to Pay Higher Duty**

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This proposed duty and fee were initially mentioned in 2019 as the Minister contributed to the budget debate that year. However, at that time Hon. Rymer referred to the curbing of old vehicle importation as an actual ban.

He told the House of Assembly during that 2019 sitting: "I think now is the time that we move to implement a ban on vehicles over eight to 10 years so that we can control the number of vehicles that would be on our roadways. We are not building any new roads in the Territory, but we continue to import vehicles."

While the Minister in his

declaration this week did not comment on what the proposed duty will look like when he initially proposed he commented that the cost was going to be steep. He had mentioned to legislators, "duty should be probably at a hundred percent of the value."

During that forum, he also mentioned the proposed derelict fee and noted that it was going to be a one-off charge. "The fee is a one-time tax to be paid when a motorist is licensing their vehicle... We need to start collecting the disposal fee for these vehicles that enter the Territory. These are things that are already on the books and I think now is the time that we must work to collect these fees to offset the cost to remove these derelict

declaration this week did not vehicles from the Territory," Rymer comment on what the proposed said.

#### New Duty Part of Traffic Congestion Relief

In his update this week the Minister assured that there is no current plan to limit the importation of vehicles which some suggest would assist the Territory's traffic congestion issues. "We will take this first approach and see how it works, hopefully complementing the fact that for the Road Town area we want to expand on the shuttle service and have free shuttles running through Road Town and we will have all the parking lots paid to park so we would encourage more walking and a greener city."

As it relates to the plan to have

the shuttle help the traffic situation the Minister said, "We will have free parking on the outskirts at Festival ground, and the parking lot across from the Dr. D. Orlando Smith hospital. These are the things we are working on and we have already gotten some vehicles so that we can shuttle persons back and forth."

The plan to privatizing Road Town parking is about to commence as it was disclosed that there will soon be an RFP going out for someone to purchase and install the arms and machinery. These mechanisms will help to convert the parking lots to paid parking. Further Hon. Rymer mentioned that the paid parking facilities will be run by the City Management.

## Vaccination Campaign is Underway

The Astra Zeneca vaccine is here, but many in the Territory are skeptical about whether they will present themselves to be vaccinated, and as a result, the Government has issued a survey to gauge public view on the matter.

Internationally many antivaccination sentiments are being expressed although there is vagueness as it relates to which of the many COVID 19 vaccines the concerns revolve around. Similarly, there is no definitive proof or evidence of adverse effects.

Nonetheless, there is an uneasiness here and internationally, while some suggest they are not getting the whole story because of the billions of dollars going to the pharmaceutical industry. So far there is no idea where Covid came from, while some media is hastily discarding the suggestion that the virus is a lab, man-made, product.

As a means of pinpointing the concerns, Premier Andrew Fahie in a private social media post on 6 February shared a message that said, "We want to hear from you! Take part in our survey to share your thoughts on the COVID-19 Vaccine." The general survey text boldly asked, "would you vaccinate?"

The general concern that is being heard around the Territory about the timing of the vaccine production was mentioned under the Premier's post. In that comment, a resident said in response to the guestion of whether they will take the vaccine: "Unfortunately.....no. What ordinarily takes at least 4 years to test fully was forced to do in 8 months. Not the safest bet. I'll wait a bit longer thank you." Also, there are reports from reputable media worldwide that some vaccines are not administered to people 65 (or 75) and older in several countries. Some will say it's "fake news" but it is not.

At the airport, as the Government took possession of the 8,000 doses of the Astra-Zeneca vaccine recently sworn in Governor His Excellency John Rankin assured that the vaccines were safe and will assist the Territory's fight against the COVID 19 virus. He said, "I am delighted the vaccines have arrived to help and I think this can be a real gamechanger. It's a very effective vaccine, it's a safe vaccine, it protects people against the virus. The evidence also shows it would prevent people from transmitting the virus so I believe by having the vaccine roll out with as many people as possible receiving the vaccine can help our frontline workers, can help our older population. It can help the tourism, the economy get back on its feet."

"It's a safe vaccine it has been fully tested by the regulatory agencies. It is safe for people to use. The first dose gives you something like 76 percent protection against the virus and if you do get sick you are less sick so it is in everybody's interest to take it.

During the arrival interview Minister for Health and Social Development Hon. Carvin Malone said that Government is hoping to have the vaccines administered as quickly as possible. He announced: "There is an entire public relations campaign...We have to get most if not all of our population vaccinated so that we can then move the process forward."

Meanwhile, last week on the same topic of vaccination Hon. Malone assured that the Ministry of Health researched the adverse effects from the vaccination. Additionally, the Minister noted that he was going to be the first person in the Territory to take the Astra-Zeneca vaccine which arrived on 4 February.

The 8000 vaccines will be complemented by 12000 that were purchased by Government last year. Plus, other sourced vaccines and the arrival of more from the UK incrementally.

## **Jobless Crisis Solution is far from Easy**

There is more disappointment for employees who have been unemployed since last year March and are awaiting either severance or an end to their layoff period so that they may return to work. The blow came in the form of a Cabinet's decision to extend the layoff period.

The extension which is for one more month is already being bemoaned by those approaching a year without work. The announcement which was made on 4 February stated: "The Cabinet of the Virgin Islands has decided to extend the current lay-off period for employees to 28 February 2021."

The decision was gazetted as the Labour Code (Extension of Severance Pay Period) Order,

Coronavirus spurred the shutdown of many businesses that were forced to send their staff home and close their doors. Some of these businesses remained closed even after the curfew and lockdown were lifted and in the process causing their staff to be unemployed. The situation compounded because under the Labour Code these businesses had a three-month period to decide to either sever or rehire. Unfortunately, Tourism businesses depend heavily

on tourists and were unable to make a decision and called to the government for assistance with the dilemma. In response, Government intervened by extending the three months to October 31 and later to 31 January.

In an update on the situation last year, Minister for Natural Resources Labour and Immigration Hon. Vincent Wheatley in a JTV interview on 16 November explained that he is aware of how the extension would affect some employees but noted that it was a decision government had to make. "What we found is that a lot of businesses had not made a penny since March. The question then became where would these businesses get the money from severing their employees who have been there 15, 16, 17 years. This could amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars that the companies or businesses simply do not have."

"If we had insisted on that October 31st cut off period we were guaranteeing certain businesses would never survive in the BVI again. It was a guaranteed death sentence for too many businesses. So the concern then became how do you keep an employee holding on so long without work," the

Minister further explained.

Hon. Wheatley said that the Government relied on the figures to determine a suitable solution and make a choice after noting that there was not an overwhelming number of laid-off employees. "Our research shows that there weren't too many employees who actually didn't work, very few employees did not find alternative work; I will admit some were illegal. It's a give and take we kind of turned a blind eye temporarily and give the businesses a fighting chance until they get their stimulus checks until they can begin to make some money."

Despite the rationale, some who are laid off are saying that the government doomed them to a dreary Christmas with no employment and no money. Nonetheless, the Minister assured that the decision made to extend was the right move. The weeks before the extension was provided many of the affected businesses hurried to act to save themselves from large severance payout. It was explained that out of fear of having to pay large severances some businesses rushed to rehire their staff even though they had no business coming in. These companies were lauded by the Minister who said, "I really want to thank those businesses who are good business who try their best to do good by their employees."

On the other hand, Hon. Wheatley pointed out that some employers opted to make a bad situation worst."There are some bad businesses who just don't intend to do good by their employees. I've seen some businesses when they heard 31 October they employed their employees for one day a week. What are you going to do with one day a week? If you have the money to sever them then sever them, but don't play with the employees. These are people with families and bills to pay."

"If companies can afford to sever the employees, please do so; don't be dragging them along. I know some companies genuinely cannot pay, but I am asking those who can pay – just pay. Work out a payment package, you don't have to pay them all the money one time...pay something so that the employees can move on with their lives...To have persons in limbo for six months seven months I think it is unfair. Those companies who can do better please I am asking you – do better," the Minister added.

It was explained that some employers are giving their laid-off employees false hope that they are ready to reopen and have been avoiding providing severance letters. It was opined that the businesses are doing this as a frustration tactic. "Some persons want them to just resign and leave the benefits behind. That's very difficult to do. If you invested 20 years of your life in a business and you are due a certain severance you don't want to walk away from it. It is an investment of that person's life... To ask them to just walk away and go I think it is very unfair," Hon. Wheatley explained.

Meanwhile, the BVI tourist season is not as brilliant as expected and cruise ships are facing a serious crisis of their own. According to research by McKinsey, the arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and hospitality services have been some of the sectors worst hit by the 2020 Covid pandemic; this was recently divulged by Euro News. Furthermore over 100 million jobs may return to serve the travel and tourism industry during this year. Besides, "a strong summer of travel" is also expected as these industries start their recovery process, according to the latest report of the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC).

## Prospect Reef and Palm Grove may get some attention

Two prime government properties that have been languishing since their dilapidation in 2017 by Hurricane Irma will be pushed for Public-Private Partnership arrangements. The properties which are the Palm Grove Complex and the Prospect Reef are all centrally located and the government is hoping that their current state can be improved.

In his most recent update to the Territory Premier Hon. Andrew Fahie mentioned that government is still interested in the development of these two properties. The Premier said: "We will be moving forward with the Palm Grove Complex in partnership with private entities. We will also be prioritizing the redevelopment of Prospect Reef. Both facilities are government-owned and both were damaged severely by the 2017 hurricanes."

The situation of an unattended Prospect Reef property was belaboured as recently as December by Opposition Member Hon. Julian Fraser in whose District the property is located.

Hon. Fraser while making his budget contribution on 15 December remarked that since the 2017 hurricanes the property has remained in shambles with no full plan for its future. "Prospect Reef is in my District, it is one of two investments that Government has in my District that and the Ellis Thomas Downs. They have both been decimated by the hurricane and I haven't seen a finger lift to do anything about them. I know there has been discussion and talks in the Premier's Office regarding Prospect Reef." Hon. Fraser said that he hopes that down the line someone will do something to

resuscitate Prospect Reef.

Before that mention, the Premier during his presentation of the 2020 Budget Address explained that the Government was keen to see the hotel back in order. "An attractive formula is to partner with large international brands that have a global marketing structure already in place and which are synonymous with high-quality service. Invitations for expressions of interest will be going out soon. Your Government commits that reconstruction of a hotel at Prospect Reef must take place during the current term of office. Such a venture, along with the return to service of our major privately-owned local hotels and resorts, will bring us much closer to our desired medium-term room stock target of 5,000 when completed," the Premier said.

#### **Palm Grove At Standstill**

As it relates to the plans to rebuild the Palm Grove Shopping Centre are at standstill following the government's decision in 2019 to reissue the request for Expression of Interest (EOI). That decision was made following reports that response to the requests came after the deadline.

That situation of the late response was said to have placed the Ministry of Transportation, Works, and Utilities in a quandary where they had to ascertain the legal aspects of this matter. The peculiar situation was disclosed by Minister for Works and Utilities Hon. Kye Rymer during his appearance on the 10 September 2019 broadcast of the Honestly Speaking With Claude Skelton-Cline radio programme.

The Minister mentioned that

persons seemed to become aware of the requests for Interest too late: "It is only after the bid closed that we understand that a number of people are interested. We are trying to see the legalities in terms of opening it," Hon. Rymer said.

From July that year, it was disclosed that the Ministry was going to solicit Expressions of Interest for the Palm Grove Shopping Center. The announcement that the EOI was out was made in the House of Assembly by Hon. Rymer during the July 31 sitting that year.

At the time of the announcement Hon. Rymer told the House of Assembly that the EOI was titled No. 9 of 2019 and was aimed at garnering interest in the designing, financing and building of the Palm Grove Shopping Centre.

## **BVI Receives First Shipment Of COVID-19 Vaccines**







The British Virgin Islands that marked another historic suppor day as it received the COVID-first shipment of 8,000 thanke doses of the AstraZeneca for provaccine to combat effects of the COVID-19 virus.

The shipment arrived on February 4 on a special charter flight from the United Kingdom to the Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport. It was welcomed by Government officials including Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Andrew A. Fahie; His Excellency the Governor John Rankin, CME; Minister for Health and Social Development Honourable Carvin Malone; Acting Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ronald Georges Minister Transportation Works and Utilities, Honourable Kye Rymer.

Health Minister Honourable Malone commended the publicprivate partnerships

that continue to support the national COVID-19 response. He thanked Rotary Clubs for purchasing the freezers used to store the vaccines and Riteway Supermarket for providing a storage location and transportation from the airport to the storage site.

Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ronald Georges stated that the vaccine is a potential game changer for the BVI and COVID-19.

"If we get as many persons in our population vaccinated as possible, it is going to change the way we handle our restrictions and all the things we have to do related to COVID-19." Dr. Georges said. He added, "This is going to make sure that we have a large number of our population potentially immune to the disease. We all know the impact that COVID-19 has had on our society and our economy and all spheres of life in the BVI; by having

our population covered and immune, we can now look at returning to some degree of normalcy."

The AstraZeneca vaccine was co-invented by the University of Oxford and its associated company, Vaccitech. The vaccine is recommended to be given in two separate doses with an interval of four to 12 weeks between doses. The regimen has been shown to be 70.4 percent effective in preventing symptoms or hospitalisation with a 90 percent efficacy after receiving the two dose regimen.

Premier Fahie in his remarks thanked the United Kingdom for the ongoing partnership in helping people and saving lives.

The Premier commended the Minister for Health, the public health teams and working committees that have been leading the way, as well as Governor Rankin

for his quick and active role in doing the necessary work contributing to the COVID-19 response.

Meanwhile, Governor Rankin also commended the on-going response in the Territory and stated that one of his number one priorities was to help to make sure that the shipment arrived safely.

The Governor said, "The Virgin Islands has done very well so far to keep the number of [COVID-19] cases to a minimum because of the protocols that have been put in place and because the people in the community have bought into those protocols. The vaccine is indeed a game changer in helping us to return to normality."

The vaccines will be administered in a phased approach as follows: Phase 1- Healthcare and frontline workers; Phase 2 - People with underlying conditions that put them at risk of severe COVID-19

disease or death, and persons over 60 years; Phase 3 - Essential workers at high risk of exposure (eg. teachers, school staff, workers and persons in care homes, shelters, prisoners and prison staff, and hospitality workers); Phase 4 - Young adults; and Phase 5 - All remaining residents.

More information on the Vaccine roll out will be available in the coming days and persons should visit www.bvi.gov.vg.

The public is reminded to comply with all health and safety measures that include hand washing, wearing of face masks in public spaces, maintaining six feet from others outside of your households, disinfecting frequently touched surfaces, keeping hands out of your face and limiting large gatherings.



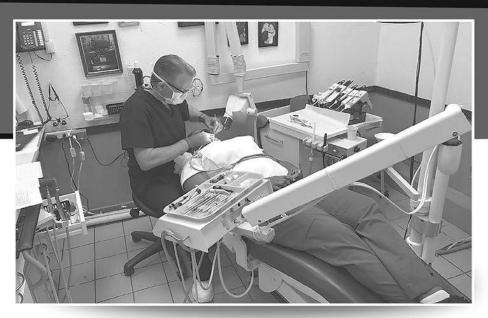
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## **Prospective Counsellors Encouraged To Join School System**

Chief Education Officer in the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture Mrs. Connie George is encouraging professionals who are interested in the ministry's counselling programme to submit applications for consideration.

During the ministry's "A Chat with the Community"

programme, Mrs. George said, "Submit your applications if you would like to become a counsellor in our schools. We do have some open positions and

we would love to know that you would love to join."

Counsellors across the

Applications can be submitted to the ministry's office on the 3rd floor of the



Mrs. Connie George and Mr. Jacob Edwards

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## THE AM ADVANTAGE

#### ZBVI PROGRAM GUIDE

#### WHEN LAST HAVE YOU LISTENED?

DAY OF THE WEEK	PROGRAM	TIME			
TUESDAYS:	SPEAKOUT BVI	8-930PM			
	HEMESTLY SPEAKING	5- <b>6</b> PM			
WEDNESDAYS	UVINGWELL 24/7	9-9-BIAM			
	HOT SEAT RE-VISITED	8-930PM			
	1* & 3º Wednesday				
	DYAS VOICE (Sports)	7-8PM			
	2 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday				
THURSDAYS	LIMOJA	8-9-30PM			
FRIDAYS	BOOY & SOUL	7-2PM			
	THREE D SHOW	8-9:30PM			
SATUMDAYS	CARIBBEAN GOLD Jeut MORE	7:45 - SAM			
	TALK, LESS MUSIC				
	KNOWLEDGE IS POWER HOUR	1D 11AM			
	LET'S BE REAL	2-3PM			
	SPORTS TALK	5-6:3PM			
	A LOOK AT THE COMMENTY	7-2ºM			
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Territory celebrated National School Counselling Week 2021 and informed the public on their roles as school counsellors.

Counsellor, Mr. Jacob Edwards said that his former school counsellor inspired him to take up the profession with the motivation he received.

Mr. Edwards said, "What drove me to becoming a counsellor was mentorship. Mr. [Sylvester] Smith [counsellor] has been one of my mentors from high school days and to see that I am actually here working with him as a colleague... shows that it sparked a positive energy and that is why I am here today."

Ward's building or by email to mec@gov.vg.

National School Counselling Week 2021 was observed under the theme, "School Counsellors: All in for All Students." The week was focused on the unique contributions of school counsellors in the Virgin Islands and highlighted the positive impact school counsellors have in helping students achieve emotional growth and career planning.

To view the full interview, Visit the Government's FaceBook pages @ BVIGovernment, @ VISchools:

https://www.facebook. com/BVIGovernment/ videos/775080506759663



## Dr. Karl Dawson Contracted As Consultant



Dr. Karl Dawson

Dr. Karl Dawson will be supporting the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture as a consultant on various matters including policy, succession planning and tertiary education.

Minister for Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture, Dr. the Honourable Natalio D. Wheatley said that there are significant areas of weakness in the ministry, and Dr. Dawson's extensive knowledge, expertise, and local and international experience are valuable resources in progressing its ambitious agenda.

#### Dr. Dawson's responsibilities will include, but not limited to:

Assisting with the implementation the of Agriculture and Fisheries Marketing Authority Bill;

Liaising with the H. Lavity Stoutt Community College on the implementation of the Teacher Education Institute:

Providing support on matters of accreditation, mentorship of new leadership, planning (including strategic planning), development, programme review programme and succession planning;

Liaising with the regional and international organisations on scholarship opportunities for Virgin Islanders, especially the education sector; and

Collaborating with Ministry of Natural Resources, Labour and Immigration to facilitate work readiness training.

Dr. Dawson is a graduate of the University of Florida with a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Higher Education Administration. He served at the H. Lavity Stoutt Community College for 24 years and was the President of the Institution for seven years. He recently held the position of President at the Anguilla Community College from 2017 to 2020 and also serves as the President for Towers Educational Consultants (BVI).

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture provides leadership and

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## PURCHASE OF SHARES IN FIRSTCARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK LIMITED BY GNB FINANCIAL GROUP LIMITED FROM CIBC WILL NOT PROCEED

CIBC remains majority shareholder in FirstCaribbean 3rd February 2021, Bridgetown, Barbados.

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC") today announced that the transaction

that would have seen GNB Financial Group Limited acquire a majority stake in FirstCaribbean International Bank Limited ("FirstCaribbean") will not proceed as the transaction did not receive approval from FirstCaribbean's regulators.

"While this transaction would have supported FirstCaribbean's long-term growth prospects, it is only one way of supporting growth for our bank going forward. CIBC has held a majority ownership stake in FirstCaribbean for a number of years, and there exists an excellent working relationship with a shared focus on meeting the needs of our clients" said Colette Delaney, CEO, FirstCaribbean.

"FirstCaribbean is a strong, well-run bank which is adjusting sensibly to the economic reality of the pandemic and is wellpositioned to recover as the economies of the region recover. We remain laser focused on delivering on our strategy - providing our clients with first class service through a modern everyday banking experience and providing our employees with the best possible work experience.

CIBC FirstCaribbean is a relationship bank offering a full range of market leading financial services through our Corporate and Investment Banking, Retail Business Banking and and Wealth Management segments. The bank is located in sixteen (16) countries around the Caribbean, providing banking services through approximately 2,900 employees in 64 branches

and offices. CIBCFCIB is one of the largest regionally listed financial services institutions in the English and Dutch speaking Caribbean, with US\$12 billion in assets and market capitalization of US\$2 billion.

#### About FirstCaribbean

FCIB is a leading financial institution operating throughout the English and **Dutch-speaking** Caribbean with a strong balance sheet and regionally-leading digital banking capabilities. FCIB's extensive network, ongoing investments in technology and unwavering client focus are competitive differentiators that enable it to maintain its leadership in the Caribbean banking sector.

#### About CIBC

CIBC is a leading Canadianglobal financial based institution with 10 million personal banking, business, public sector and institutional clients. Across Personal Business Banking. Commercial Banking and Wealth Management, Capital Markets businesses, CIBC offers a full range of advice, solutions and services through its leading digital banking network, and locations across Canada, in the United States and around the world. Ongoing news releases and more information about CIBC can be found at www.cibc.com/en/about-cibc/ media-centre.html.

## TRIDENTTRUST

**British Virgin Islands** 

## **Legal Counsel - Regional** February 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. Client-focussed and service-oriented, we only employ individuals who are professionally minded, committed, and able to demonstrate good interpersonal skills. We are seeking a mature legal professional to join the Trident team to drive and manage the regional corporate governance agenda. The position will be based in our established B.V.I. office.

#### The Role

The successful candidate will be based in the B.V.I. Office which is the location for the regional management of our operations that covers Panama, U.S.V.I, Barbados, Bahamas, Cayman Islands and Nevis. The individual will also be part of the management team that will provide corporate governance support locally and across the Regional Offices, reporting to the Regional Directorate and liaising directly with the local regional Boards.

#### Key Responsibilities

- Regional Corporate Secretary

  Duties include but are not limited to:
  - Creating and assisting in the implementation of a robust corporate governance framework.
  - Attending and minuting formal board meetings and prepare board packs.
  - Ensuring all items on the Governance calendar are delivered in accordance with the timescales.
- Maintaining corporate documents for each
- operation.
   Coordinating director training and development
- across the Regional as necessary.
   Managing and implementing regional and local legal governance projects.
- Advising Regional Directorate and businesses on local and regional legislative and regulatory changes.
- Local Legal Support across the Regional Duties include but are not limited to:
  - Preparing in-house training material on legal and regulatory matters.
  - Assisting in responding to Competent Authority queries and drafting affidavits and other legal documents.
  - Acting as a point of contact for senior staff requiring legal assistance and guidance on technical matters

- and acting as liaison with external legal counsel as necessary.
- Developing and maintaining precedent banks and ensuring precedents and documents reflect current regulatory requirements.
- Providing legal support to and working closely with the local and regional Compliance Departments in any compliance matters.

#### Skills and Experience

- Bachelor of Laws degree
- Admission to the B.V.I, Bar.
- At least 10 years' post qualification experience.
- Knowledge of corporate governance and prior experience in a corporate secretary role
- Working knowledge of BVI legislation.
- Ability to work independently.
- Ability to multi-task and handle numerous assignments simultaneously.
- Ability to handle sensitive information and maintain confidentiality.
- Ability to identify and prioritise critical issues and provide clear and precise briefs to the Regional General Counsel, Regional Directorates and regional Boards
- Attention to detail, reliable, responsiveness and excellent personal service.
- Ability to take initiative and good problem-solving skills.
- Good interpersonal and negotiation skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- A professional, positive and enthusiastic attitude.
- Demonstration of teamwork
- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite of products

#### 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 no later than February 19, 2021 to msmith@tridenttrust.com.

"Injustice
anywhere
is a threat to
justice everywhere."

-Martin Luther King Jr.

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### Vareen Vanterpool-Nibbs Appointed Registrar, High Court



Mrs. Vareen Vanterpool-Nibbs
Experienced legal professional Mrs. Vareen Vanterpool-Nibbs has been appointed Registrar of the High Court effective February 15.

Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs will be responsible for ensuring that the court's administration operates in an efficient and effective manner and in keeping with the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court's procedures and rules. Specific roles include managing the efficient business operations of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal in the British Virgin Islands; as well as administering hearings; coordinating mediation; and corresponding with litigants.

His Excellency the Governor John J. Rankin, CMG said that Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs's mix of experience with civil litigation, drafting legislation, and contract negotiation will strengthen the Territory's courts.

"Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs has a breadth of legal experience from both the public and private sector that will benefit the Territory's legal and judicial system for years to come," Mr. Rankin said.

Deputy Governor, Mr. David D. Archer, Jr said that he is pleased when Virgin Islands professionals of Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs' caliber choose to contribute to the Territory by joining the Public Service.

"Talented legal professionals have abundant options in a Territory like ours," Mr. Archer said, adding, "I am proud that highly skilled persons like Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs elect to bring those talents to work for the people of the Virgin Islands."

Mrs. Vanterpool-Nibbs has previously served as a Senior Associate at Harney's BVI; Principal Crown Counsel in the Attorney General's Chambers; and as General Counsel for the BVI Ports Authority.

She holds a Master of Arts in Advanced Legislative Studies from the University of London; a Certificate of Legal Education from the Eugene Dupuch Law School in the Bahamas; and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus.

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#### STATEMENT BY LEADER OF HER MAJESTY'S LOYAL OPPOSITION HONOURABLE MARLON A. PENN ON RECENT INCREASED CRIMES

Over the past several weeks and months our beloved Territory has and prayers.

Criminality is not who we are as a people; and it



Hon. Marlon Penn

been shaken by heinous murders, violent robberies and major crimes.

I know that all of you share my extreme concern, pain and anger at the flood of criminality that befallen us.

To the loved ones and families of the victims of these horrific crimes, I express my deepest sympathies. I know that there are no words that can adequately describe the sting of death, nor are there words and sentiments that could quench the pain that you feel. But please know that as a community we hold you up with love, support,

need not be who we have become.

To the perpetrators of crimes among us (and their enablers), away your intentions of criminality, lay down your guns; and follow the path of uprightness.

I call upon each and every BVIslander to understand that it is our moral and civic responsibility condone neither support criminality, nor to impede the process of justice.

Please support our law enforcement in ensuring that justice will prevail. Fellow Virgin Islanders, we must reject the spirit of criminality!

We must respect the rules of law!

We must uphold our values strong virtues!

And we must recapture and rekindle our love for each other!

Brother and Sisters, I implore each of you --Let us enter an unending season of Healing, Peace, Togetherness, and Love.

Although the tyranny of criminality surrounds us, in these moments -- in these prayerfully exceptional instances -Let us never forget that a greater spirit of purpose and love is

innate within us.

Let us always remember that we are a resilient, strong, community minded, and Godfearing and loving people.

Let us ensure that our every word, thought or deed is a true reflection of who we are.

A great poet once said, "I know that there is light within our heart and we will find our way home."

So let us petition God to impart his wondrous love and his mighty healing on our beloved Virgin Islands so that we can find our home -- back to who we are as community minded, loving and God fearing people

#### Thad Lettsome has qualified the BVI for the Cali 2021 Junior PanAm Games in the one person dinghy event.

With COVID restrictions making qualification regattas impossible, the organizers looked back at recent Youth World Championship results for sailors across the PanAm region and selected just five countries in the first round of qualifiers for the ILCA (Laser) class.

The BVI is in prestigious company and with this qualification is joined by some of the world's biggest sailing nations Argentina, Bermuda, Brazil, Canada and the USA.

Lettsome raced at his first Youth World Championships in 2017 when he was just 15 and finished as the top ranked sailor from the Caribbean. At the following editions in 2018 and 2019 he continued to lead the way for the Caribbean sailors and was also ranked in the top five of all sailors from the PanAm region.

In 2019, Lettsome received an invitation to attend the PanAm Games in Lima, Peru where he finished in 19th place. Now 19 years of age and a player on the senior racing circuit, he has his sights set on representing the BVI at the Olympic Games and joining an elite group of just seven other BVI sailors.

The 2021 Junior PanAms is scheduled to take place from 8-19 September in Cali Colombia and is the first edition of a new quadrennial event. The sailing events will take place on Lake Calima from 16-18 September.

Athlete's across 27 sports and between the ages of 18 and 22 in the year of the event and gold medallists will receive automatic qualification to the Santiago 2023 PanAm Games. Congratulations



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**GUYANA - (CNW)** Guyana's Minister of Health Dr. Frank Anthony says both the joint services in Guyana and the federal police in Brazil have increased border patrols between the two countries to reduce the risk of the spread of COVID-29.

He acknowledged that while there are challenges manning the border, efforts are being made by law enforcement on both sides to observe the order.

"While we have heightened our presence on our borders through the joint services, if people really want to slip through, I think there are possibilities of that happening. But it's not only us who have heightened our presence on our border, on the Brazilian side, the federal police have also increased presence on their side," the Minister said.

Dr. Anthony said this has been happening for more than a month.

**JAMAICA (CNW)** - The numbers smash the previous daily record of 263 new cases, which was recorded just one day earlier, on February 4th.

The island's daily positivity rate has increased to 15.7%, twice that of Miami-Dade's, which has roughly the same size population as Jamaica. Active cases on the island are over 4,000.

The island's Health and Wellness Minister, Dr. Christopher Tufton says the spike in cases is a cause for concern and reflects that there may be a complacency for the COVID-19 safety protocols.

"I implore every Jamaican to continue to take the necessary precautions to safeguard themselves from catching and spreading COVID-19. We cannot become complacent at this time, as we still have to protect ourselves and others, especially the members of the population who are considered vulnerable to severe outcomes from the disease," said Dr. Tufton in a statement.

The new increase comes as stakeholders in the sports and entertainment industry push for more relaxed measures in Jamaica, including allowance for parties and other events to be held. The government stated last week that they would be examining how best these industries would be allowed to reopen.

ROME -The Italian Association of Medical Oncology (AIOM) said Thursday that around 3.6 million people are alive in Italy today having been diagnosed with some form of tumour, an increase of 37% on the number of cancer survivors the nation had 10 years ago. But the association also raised the alarm about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the fight against cancer.

It said more than two million fewer screening tests were done in Italy in the first nine months of 2020. "Delays in early diagnosis can cause an increase in mortality rates," said AIOM President Giordano Beretta.

"The prevention programmes must be restarted as soon as possible and financed with more funding". (ANSA).

**SPAIN** - Spain will not administer the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine to anyone over the age of 65. That was the decision made on Thursday by the public health committee of Spain's National Healthcare System, made up of health experts from the central and regional governments. The commission, however, has still not decided whether the age limit for this vaccine should be lowered even further to 55. Sources present at Thursday's meeting said the issue will be discussed again on Friday.

At least seven European countries have decided to only use the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine with under-65s, as a minimum, given that there is not yet sufficient evidence of its efficiency for the older age group. Germany has set the limit at 65, Poland has restricted the use of the vaccine to the under-60s, while Italy has put the threshold at 55. Despite this, in the United Kingdom, the vaccine is being used among seniors given that clinical trials have shown it to generate antibodies against SARS-Cov-2. (El Pais)

**RUSSIA** - Since the start of the year the news has been filled with headlines about a palace on the Black Sea near the resort town of Gelendzhik that opposition activist Alexei Navalny claimed was built for Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The Kremlin has rejected the allegations, while an oligarch with close ties to the president has said that he owns the complex, and intends to run a hotel there.

What is certain is that signals from Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) in the vicinity seem to be interfered with, or distorted, remarkably often. Many observers claim there is spoofing going on to deflect prying eyes.(Deutsche Welle) CUBA - Cuba announced Saturday

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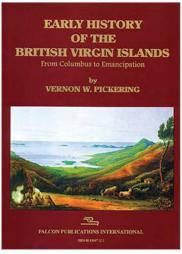
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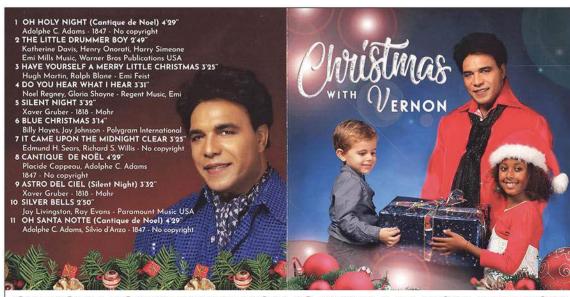
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Johnson, a Kentucky congressman who eventually became the nation's ninth vice president in 1837, couldn't legally marry Julia Chinn. Instead the couple exchanged vows at a local church with a wedding celebration organized by the enslaved people at his family's plantation in Great Crossing, according to Miriam Biskin, who wrote about Chinn decades ago.(Washington Post)



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## Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



Registration Begins For 2021 Industrial Bowling League. Industrial Bowling Teams can now register for the 2021 Bowling League. Sports Officer and Coordinator in the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports (DYAS), Ms. Sharleen Hill said teams of five are eligible to join the league and at least two females must be present on each team. Registration fee is \$120 per team with a weekly team fee of \$20 (\$4 per person) per game and \$3 for bowling shoes per person for the night. For more information contact Ms. Hill at 346-7383 or 468-5116. Registration forms can be downloaded from the government's website under the Department of Youth and Sports page or by at http://bvi.gov.vg/content/ industrial-bowling-leagueregistration-form Forms can be dropped off at the department at the Second Floor Ward's Building next to the Post Office in Road Town.



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commencement of Black History Month. As the eventgot on the way Art Christopher, the master of ceremonies explained "As most of you may know, this tradition wedo every year. At the beginning of Black History Month, we come and we give thanks and we show

Wreath laying service at the History Month for us is a period where we could reach out to our community and help toeducate and elevate."

> "We are starting our Black History Month as the Afrikan Studies Klub with the way that we know it to be in our African culture

Each year the Club holds its gratitude toour ancestors. Black and tradition before we do anything ancestors second and the elders of significance we must first speak third. "In African culture and with our ancestors. Wemust get tradition libation comesbefore their permission, we must get their any significant event. It is a blessings," Christopher said as he means of giving honor, it's a announced the start of a libation.

> The Master of Ceremonies noted that libation sets the protocol of the event in the order where respect is paid to God the creator first, the

means of showing gratitude to the ancestors whopaved the way for you to be here; and so we continue that tradition," he explained.















## Ladyburd Talks

Dear Readers: (3 of 3) When it comes to celebrating Valentine's Day, it's important to make the day extra-special for your loved one.



#### **Recreate Your Favorite Date**

#### Romantic pizza evening at home

Take a trip down memory lane by re-creating your favorite date, whether that's your first date or the one where you fell in love. Even if you can't go to the same restaurant, you can get creative by cooking up the same meal at home!

#### Spend the Night in a Fancy Hotel Room

#### Best Things to Do on Valentine's Day

Make your Valentine's Day special by checking into a local hotel, changing into a plush bathrobe and dialing up some room service. Enjoy the night with your partner (or solo!), and definitely order breakfast in bed the next morning.

#### Have a Wine and Cheese Night

#### Best Things to Do on Valentine's Day

Pop open your favorite bottle of wine after making a fancy homemade charcuterie board complete with bread, cheese and delicious meats. Then let the good times roll!

#### **Book an at-Home Massage**

#### Massaging young couple at the spa

Transform your home into a spa with apps like Soothe and Zeel. The best part is that you can drift off to sleep right after because there's no commute home.

#### Listen to Music Together

As we all saw in one of the most romantic movies ever — La La Land — there's nothing that can bring two people together like music. If you feel like going all out, you can even try recreating a jazz club date at home: Just dress to the nines, grab a drink and put on some tunes!

#### Source: BY SELENA BARRIENTOS AND HANNAH JEON

https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/valentinesday-ideas/g26068446/best-things-to-do-on-valentines-day/



## Ladyburd's Mail Box delseitaliburd@msn.com

**Dear Ladyburd:** My boyfriend does not want me to use my Birth Control tablets. I am not ready to be a mother and he is upset because he saw me with a pack of the Birth Control Tablets. We are together for 5 years now and as far as I am concerned, I do not think he is ready to settle down. Any suggestion... *Silma* 

Ladyburd: Silma: You are with this young man for five years now and he has not made any effort to commit to you, but he is upset that you are protecting yourself from an unwanted pregnancy? You are doing the right thing in that regard, however, you are with him long enough to get some sort of commitment from him. Do not get yourself caught up in this trap and get pregnant before you are ready, next thing you know he leaves you high and dry and move on to the next victim.. Hell No!

Stand your ground, because you have to protect yourself. and by the way you need to have a heart to heart talk with him and find out where you both go from here, whether you love each other enough to create a family, meaning marriage etc.



### Light Bulb Moments

"Love is something eternal; the aspect may change, but not the essence." — Vincent van Gogh, Artist

"A true lover always feels in debt to the one he loves." — Ralph W. Sockman, Pastor

"Loving is not just looking at each other, it's looking in the same direction." — Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, Poet

"Love is a canvas furnished by nature and embroidered by imagination." — Voltaire, Author



### My First, My Last, My Valentine

I've never imag<mark>ine</mark>d that there can be this day. A day that love will find its way Out of my heart and into your soul. These feelings I have are beyond my control.

All my life I have waited patiently
For a goddess like you,
so beautiful, so lovely.
Words can't express the way I feel.
These feelings toward you
are all for real.

You are the reason why I go on.
Eternity can't separate
this special bond.
This heart of mine
is reserved for you.
Forever it is yours; this love is true.

I'll be your first and you'll be my last. My world, my everything, till my time has passed. I will always love you until the end of time.

MY LOVE, MY SWEETHEART,
MY VALENTINE!



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## Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita





## Marriage Proposal

"Honey, on this Valentine's Day, I want to tell you something... I'm not rich like Jack, I don't have a mansion like Russell, or I don't have a Porsche like Martin, but I do love you and want to marry you."

"Oh, dear... I love you too... but, what was that you said about Martin?"

### Under The Bed



Ever since I was a child, I've always had a fear of someone under my bed at night.

So I went to a psychiatrist and told him I've got problems.

"Every time I go to bed I think there's somebody under it.
I'm scared. I think I'm going crazy."

"Just put yourself in my hands for one year," said the psychiatrist.

"Come talk to me three times a week and

"How much do you charge?"

"Eighty dollars per visit," replied the doctor.

"I'll sleep on it and if needed I will come back to you," I said.

we should be able to get rid of those fears."

Six months later the psychiatrist met me on the street.

"Why didn't you come to see me

about those fears you were having?" he asked.

"Well, eighty bucks a visit three times a week for a year is an awful lot of money! A bartender cured me for \$10. I was so happy to have saved all that money that I went and bought me a new SUV."

"Is that so!" With a bit of an attitude he said,

"and how, may I ask, did a bartender cure you?"
"He told me to cut the legs off the bed – nobody under there now!"



### Clean My House

Phil, a smart and handsome young man, dressed in the latest fashion, walked into this local pub. He noticed a woman gazing at him without blinking her big eyes. Phil felt flattered so he walked up to the woman and said in his deepest voice, "I'll do anything you wish, beautiful lady, for just £10 but on one condition." The woman appeared to be trapped in the moment and asked as if in a trance, "What's your condition?"

Phil answered, "Tell me your wish in just three words."

There was a long pause, the woman opened her purse, counted out the money and handed it to the man along with her address. She then looked deeply into his eyes and whispered,

"Clean my house."

## **PUH INTENDED**

You must be glue because I am sticking with you...

## **POLICE NEWS**

## MAN CAUGHT CARRYING A ILLEGAL FIREARM CHARGED

Monday, February 8 – Police, on a routine stop/search operation yesterday, uncovered a loaded glock pistol and charged one man in relation to its seizure.

Officers of the Armed Response Team on patrol in the Fat Hog's Bay area stopped the driver of a vehicle with excessive tint on its windows. After notifying the driver of the law as it relates to illegal tints, a search was executed and the firearm was found in driver's front pants pocket with 12 rounds of ammunition.

Charged with carrying an unlicenced firearm and illegal tinting is Dabari Jonique Mercer, 26, of Baughers Bay.

This firearm seizure and arrest comes after Police recorded a second robbery of an establishment in a little over a week. Two masked man, one carrying a firearm, entered the Island Sizzle in

Baughers Bay on Saturday around 8pm and approached two employees. One of the perpetrators grabbed the cash register at the bar, a chain from one patron's neck seated at the bar and purse from an employee and fled the scene at the rear of the establishment. No injuries were reported.

Similarly, a week prior, two armed men entered the De la Santa's Bakery and Restaurant in Sea Cows Bay around 8:45pm. One of the men jumped over the counter and took a quantity of cash from the register.

The men then made their way to Charles Chill Bar and pointed a firearm at two patrons. The assailants both fled the scene with cash and jewelry taken from the two patrons, a cash pan from the bar and the cashier's handbag. No one was injured in the incident.

Commissioner of Police Michael Matthews said the continued use of illegal firearms in the territory will be met with a robust response from the Force.

"Whilst at this time no links can be made between the firearm recovered yesterday and the recent robberies, potential suspects will include anyone found carrying illegal firearms. Your sons, nephews, your neighbours might tell you that they keep a gun for protection. Don't be fooled. What starts wrong will end wrong, and often end in tragedy as has been seen in very recent events. Possessing a firearm without a licence is against the law. Participating in criminal acts after that will be easier. Neighbours and family members must make a concerted effort to report illegal firearms and contact Police when they suspect someone has one," he said. **Detectives** are interested in any information that could help in identifying the perpetrators of the recent robberies.

Persons with information are

asked to contact the RVIPF

Intelligence Unit directly at

368-9339.

### ARREST BLOTTER

#### January 31 to February 6, 2020

#### ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY HARM

On 26-01-2021 at 1259hrs, Police arrested and charged Shamul Mitchell of Baughers Bay for Assault Causing Bodily Harm. He was granted bailed for his appearance before Magistrate's Court on 10-03-2021.

#### POSSESSION OF COCAINE WITH INTENT

On 8-01-2021 at 0735hrs, Police arrested and charged Devon Bedford, 32, of Harrigan Estate for Possession of Cocaine and Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Supply.

#### **BREACH OF CURFEW**

1.On 30-01-2021 at 0807hrs, Police arrested and charged J'Lani Martin, 19, of Purcell Estate for Reckless and Negligent Act, Breach of Curfew, Possession of Cannabis, Fail to Stop at the Sound of a Siren and Resisting Arrest

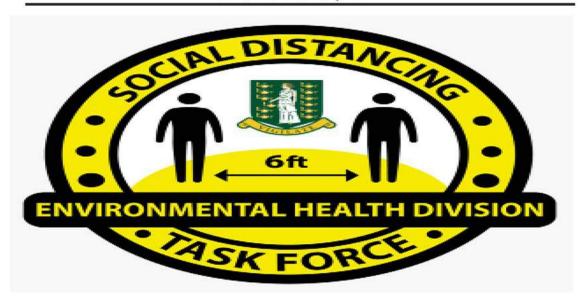
2.On 30-01-2021 at 0807hrs, Police arrested and charged Kimberly Kisnasammy, 18, a native of Guyana, residing in Handsome Bay, Virgin Gorda, for Breach of Curfew.

#### BURGLARY

On 04-02-2021 at 1003hrs, Police arrested and charged Keimanie Christopher, 24, of Fat Hogs Bay for Burglary.

#### FAILURE TO STOP AT A RED LIGHT

On 05-02-2021 at 2345hrs, Police arrested and charged Diory Joseph, 19, of Huntums Ghut, for Failing to stop at the red light, Failing to stop at the signal of the siren, Reckless driving, Driving without a valid Driver's license, Driving when not Covered by Third Party insurance. He granted bail in the sum of \$3,000 with one surety for his appearance at the Magistrate's Court on 25-03-2021 at 0900hrs.



### **Bob Hodge Killed**

Police can confirm that one man is dead as a result of a shooting incident at his residence in Hannahs Estate around 8pm last night Feb, 9)

The deceased has been identified as Earl "Bob" Hodge of Hannah's Estate. No one else was injured in the incident

Police are asking persons who have information that can assist homicide detectives in their investigation to contact the RVIP Intelligence Unit at 368 9339

## **COMMENTARY**

### World powers have interests, not friends



Dickson Igwe February 3 2021

#### BEFORE PONTIFICATING ON INDEPENDENCE, LOOK FIRST AT THE UK NATIONAL INTEREST

Embarking on an odyssey that leads to independence requires a cold and hard look at the UK national interest.

All world powers act in their national interests.

The UK in that instance is no different from any other power.

To understand the workings of world powers and how they respond and react to external pressures, it is vital to understand their national interests.

Now, there are three areas of the national interest worth assessing before embarking on the treacherous road to independence for any Overseas Territory of the UK.

First question: is there any benefit for the UK holding on to Oversea Territories against the wishes of the citizens of those territories? The answer to that question is clearly no. Why? Because in a world that has moved beyond the colonialism and imperialism of the 1940s and 50s, it is simply futile for any world power, even powers such as the USA or EU to hold on to territory if the inhabitants of those territories want the power out.

The last thing the UK needs is street protests, demonstrations,

and riots, which will be traumatic for the UKs international standing and reputation. Holding on to territory that hosts a population

reputation. Holding on to territory that hosts a population that wants to be free of the UK is simply not worth the ''grief'' it will cause to both Westminster and Whitehall.

However, it is probable that the inhabitants of all the OTs, including residents of the Virgin Islands are satisfied with the status quo in spite of the drum beats for independence by a few 'elements."

The reason for that preceding supposition is that there has been no real protest or uprising in any of the OTs by residents demanding independence. Residents of OTs appear satisfied with their statuses as British Overseas Territory Citizens, from the Falkland Islands to Gibraltar.

The fact that Overseas Caribbean Territories host large black populations is not a factor unless those populations experience racism and oppression which cannot be measured with any certainty.

Oversea Territory residents understand there are advantages in being under the UK Umbrella.

Residents are also wise enough to appreciate that there will be economic and strategic consequences leaving the umbrella of the UK, such as increased costs of national defense, loss of oversight of local politicians that is the key check and balance inherent in the Oversea Territory constitution and conventions. Then in the event of a rogue government, residents understand oversight means the government will be swiftly brought into check. There is the subject of global investors who are happy to place their cash in territories that are governed by UK laws, financial probity, and financial culture and practice.

By Dickson Igwe

Direct and Indirect Foreign Investment is crucial to the Oversea Territory economy. The second matter of the UK national interest: are there benefits to the UK holding on to Over Sea Territories in various parts of the world. The answer to that question is more ambiguous. That answer is less clear.

With Brexit, the UK is looking for global trade alliances to replace the inevitable loss of trade from Europe. The Overseas Territories are a type of UK satellite, a bridgehead, where investors can park cash cheaply, before moving that cash to other places where it can be invested in everything from banking and tourism to manufacturing.

Parking assets and cash on an Oversea Territory is a wise idea as these investors will avoid rules and regulations from being part of the European Union. Furthermore there are tax and regulatory advantages sitting you cash offshore.

The UK under Boris Johnson remains wedded to supply side economics and free trade. The Oversea Territory is a great asset that ensures capital can be moved about without the regulatory hindrances of being in the European Union, even in the UK.

Banking, insurance, and trade links between the City of London and the OTs, can be leveraged to compensate for losses UK investment banking will experience as the UK departs the EU.

The final matter of the UK national interest is the residents of the Oversea Territory themselves.

The UK respects the legitimately constituted governments of the OTs but feels responsible for

the people of the OTs directly, whether resident or citizen.

As British Overseas Territory Citizens the UK has a duty, and the UK will want to know that any move to independence is what the people actually want. Bear in mind that residents of OTs are a diverse population with equally diverse views.

It is simply not enough for a number of politicians to sing the Independence Song without a clear signal the vast majority of the people want independence.

Hence the only route to independence is a referendum, which OT politicians dare not call as they probably believe the people will not vote for Independence.

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# Poems of Love on Valentine's Day



### **You Are**

#### © Genny R. Tajalle

Published: February 2006 As we watch the sun go down, I want to let you know, my love for you is forever; I'll never let you go. You're the one I've been searching for, the one I've finally found; without you in my life, my world wouldn't go round. The love you bring into my heart, which is so true and kind, is something in no other I could truly find. You're the only one for me. God tells me so deep within my heart, mind, body and soul. Today isn't just an ordinary Valentine's Day. It's all about me and you, about the love we share, and how it will forever continue to grow. It's not all about the chocolates or the dozen roses; it's about the love we found. how much we've been blessed. Everything happens for a reason.

I believe this statement is true; that's why you were sent to me and I was sent to you. I've never been more happy, as I've been with you. Even through the rough times, we always make it through; To be with you for eternity is all I want for me and you. All I want to say, on our very first Valentine's Day, is: I may not be your first love, but I promise, with all my heart, that I will be that one from up above, your one and only, true love! Happy Valentine's Day!

## Unforgettable Valentine's Day

#### © Linzy Bruno

Published: February 2016
I hope you feel Valentine's Day
is your favorite day this year,
because the first thing I'm gonna do
is hold you tight and shed a grateful tear.

And when night comes, in your strong arms is the only place I wanna be, so I can feel the pulse of your loving heart, which always sets my soul free.

And in that magic moment in time all I want to know is that I am yours and you are mine.

On this romantic occasion,

I hope you will feel free to enjoy US this way
and lose yourself, consumed in my love,
making this our own unforgettable
Valentine's Day!





### **Sweet Valentine**

#### © Harry Boslem More By Harry Boslem

Published: February 2011 I could watch the sunrise, I could watch the sunset. I could walk in the rain without getting wet. I could witness their beauty as the flowers bloom. I could I could listen to bird songs as the new day dawns. I could feel the sunshine through the darkest clouds. I could hear a sweet whisper through the roar of a crowd. I could walk on water without soaking my feet. I could travel the world in less than a week. I could ponder the knowledge passed down by the wise. I could dwell in a castle built in the sky. I could paint a portrait and bring it to life. I could sleep without pain, on the edge of a knife. I could play a sweet melody to soften the mood.

I could take all the bad and turn it to good.
I could float on the breeze,
I could fly on the wind.
I could soar high in the sky,
leaving the world behind.
I could travel the cosmos and watch it unfold.
I could witness its power,
so wonderful to behold.
But of all the wonderful things I could do,
There's nothing in the universe

that compares to you.
I'll hold you in my heart for the rest of my life.
You're my living miracle,
my sweet valentine.

### A Valentine's Day Poem

#### © Maria I. Carmona

Published: February 2006 My heart has chosen you On this magical day of love To share and dwell upon, The beauty of its touch. How sweet and blissful is, The humming of its song, The wonders that it brings. Knowing you're the one. It has invited me Into its world of inspirational dreams, A place called paradise, Where love and laughter sings. My heart has chosen you, And my soul agrees as well. You are the splendid light

#### Source:

Of true love's magical spell..

https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/valentines-unforgettable-day





#### Amber Waves



HOW DO YA LIKE THE ROSES I GOT YA FOR

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R.F.D.

The Spats

GRANDA, WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN IGNORANCE & APATHY?







by Mike Marland

BUT I STILL

PREFER THE

ONES YOU USUALLY

BUY FOR

by Jeff Pickering

I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T CARE.

### **King** Crossword

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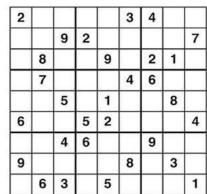
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## Weekly SUDOKU

#### by Linda Thistle



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! © 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.



BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Snowman's hat is different. 2. Boy has a scart. 3. Snowballs have been added. 4. Tree is missing. 5. Teacher's nose is different. 6. Boy is holding an apple.

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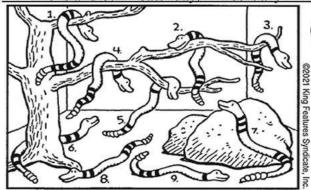
Solution time: 22 mins. **STOWERS** 

King CrosswordKing Crossword

## $t\!e\!st$ by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. ANATOMY: What is the hardest substance in the human body?
- 2. GEOGRAPHY: Off which U.S. state's coast is Santa Catalina Island located?
- 3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to hold a press conference?
- 4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many breaths does the average human being take in one day?
- 5. MOVIES: Which movie featured the Seal song "Kiss From a Rose"?
- 6. U.S. STATES: A city in this state became the first in the world to install a parking meter?
- 7. ANCIENT WORLD: Before he became a philosopher, what was Socrates' profession?
- 8. LANGUAGE: What is the only letter that does NOT appear in any of the U.S. states' names?
- 9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of giraffes called?
- 10. LITERATURE: Which dystopian 1950s novel was originally titled "The Fireman"?
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7. Stone mason; 8. Q; 9. A tower; 10. "Fahrenheit 451," Ray Bradbury 4. About 23,000; 5. "Batman Forever" (1995); 6. Oklahoma (Oklahoma City); 1. Tooth enamel; 2. California's; 3. Woodrow Wilson, March 1913; Trivia Test Answerst



SNAKES ALIVE! Two of the above slinky serpents are exactly alike. Can you find them in 30 seconds?

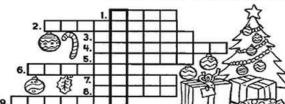
Answer: Snakes 2 and 8.

SEE IF YOU CAN make this math expression correct by rearranging the

nine digits to the left of the equal sign. The two new numbers can include

## by Charles Barry Townsend

THE BIG DAY IS ALMOST HERE!



Soon Santa will be racing the morning sun around the world. In our grid, we have room for nine words associated with Santa. The following

1. Santa goes up the chimney when he lays his finger next to his ...? Illustrated by David Coulson

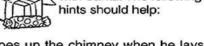
Santa's other name.

- 3. Santa would never go to his house.
- 4. Santa's presents end up here.
- 5. Santa's physical description.

- 9. Santa's other last name.

There is a dark frame around one of the columns in our grid. If you correctly solve the puzzle, the letters in the frame, top to bottom, will spell out Santa's last stop on Christmas Day.

Answers: 1. Nose. 2. Nicholas. 3. Grinch. 4. Stocking. 5. Chubby. 6. Rudolph. 7. Jolly. 8. Elves. 9. Kringle. The dark-framed column spells "North Pole."



- 6. Santa's most important helper.
- 7. Santa's disposition.
- 8. Santa's associates.



7. New Girl

8. The Sopranos

**9.** The Big Bang Theory

10. Friends

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Source: IMDB

1234+56789=100 Our answer is: 47 3/6 + 52 9/18 = (47 1/2 + 52 1/2 = 100).

CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.

town.

EIOSTWY

Answers: top to bottom, left to right: tidy, tide, tine, tins, tone, tons, tows,

Dr. Keith Roach

fractions.

#### Vestibular Migraines Often Include Vertigo

DEAR DR. ROACH: Can you shed light on how vestibular migraines are diagnosed and the best treatment? — J.H.

ANSWER: The vestibule of the ear is where the organ of balance is located, so vestibular symptoms relate to balance issues in general, but most commonly, it means vertigo. The term "vestibular migraine" means vestibular symptoms attributed to migraine lar symptoms attributed to migraine. Vestibular migraine thus includes

migraine headache — not everyone will have headache with every epi-sode, but most people with vestibular migraine will have headache with at not everyone least some of the episodes — and ves-tibular symptoms. These could include vertigo (a sensation of movement when still), unsteadiness or movement symptoms with a change in head posi-tion that persists long after the head has moved. Abnormal sensitivity to sound and vision are also prominent in

sound and vision are also prominent in vestibular migraine.

There is a similarly named condition, basilar migraine, that also has vestibular symptoms. However, basilar migraine has additional symptoms seen during the early, or aura, phase coming from the brainstem, deep in the brain, such as clumsy movements or confusion. These occur most commonly five minutes to an hour before the headache.

Making the diagnosis of vestib-ular migraine is challenging, since there are many clinical entities with there are many clinical entities with similar symptoms. There is no conclusive laboratory or radiology tests to confirm the diagnosis. In practice, the diagnosis of probable vestibular migraine is made in people with recurrent migraine symptoms associated with vertigo. Often, treatment is begun when the condition is considered probable, and if the person does not respond well to treatment, a more thorough evaluation is considered.

Treatment for vestibular migraine is broken down into treatment for acute attacks and treatment to prevent acute attacks and treatment to prevent attacks. Many neurologists use diazepam (Valium) and similar drugs for acute attacks. Preventive medicines come in many different families, and the choice of the best agent depends often on other conditions the person has. Everyone with migraine should try to find and avoid triggers. This includes eating on a reasonable schedule and good sleep hygiene.

If medications are needed, prescription choices include blood pressure medicines (beta blockers like propranolol and calcium channel blockers), antidepressants and seizure

ers), antidepressants and seizure medicines. Over-the-counter options include riboflavin, magnesium, fever-few and coenzyme Q10, all of which have some but not conclusive evidence of benefit superior to placebo.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Can you tell me the possible causes of psoriasis? I have read that it is related to chronic inflammation. What type of inflammation might this be? — C.K.

ANSWER: Psoriasis, a chronic skin condition that can sometimes affect the joints, is indeed an inflammatory condition, but inflammation is a set of symptoms and observable signs, not an underlying cause or diagnosis. There are five cardinal signs of inflammation; redness swelling pain inflammation: redness, swelling, pain,

varmth and loss of function. Psoriasis appears to be a problem of a dysregulated immune system. It is unclear what triggers the body to begin responding with inflammation to the skin, but some proteins (called antimicrobial peptides) made by skin cells may start the process. These can be triggered by trauma to the skin, but also by some medications, alcohol, cigarette smoking, infections and stress, all of which can also act as triggers for people with psoriasis. These make the immune system cells specific to the skin become

much more active.

Understanding the immune system issues in psoriasis has led to newer and more effective treatments, especially for more-severe psoriasis.

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@ questions to T med.cornell.edu.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Doing something nice for others is typical of the generous Arian. But be prepared for some jealous types who might try to question one of your more recent acts of kindness.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to take on new responsibilities. But before you do, you might want to check out exactly what would be required of you so that you don't face any "surprises" later.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It

might be best to put off an important decision until a fluctuating situation becomes more stable. Recently received news could help resolve a long-standing family matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) If you still have a problem getting that information gap closed, you might consider asking a higher authority to resolve the matter, leaving you free to move on to another project.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A family matter needs to be dealt with at the start of the week. Once it's resolved, the Big Cat can devote more attention to that new opportunity that seems to hold so much potential.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Pay attention to those niggling doubts. They could be warning you not to make any major decisions until you've checked them out - especially where money matters might be involved.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business venture might need more of your attention than you are able to provide. Consider asking a trusted friend or family member to help you work through this time crunch.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A more-positive aspect helps you get a clearer focus on how to handle your time so that you can deal with several responsibilities that are just now showing up on your schedule.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A very close friend (you know who that is!) has advice that could help you work through a confusing situation. So put your pride aside and ask for it. You'll be glad you did.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A workplace situation could turn a bit tense. The best way to handle it is to confront it and deal with it openly. Doing so can help reveal the underlying reasons for the problem.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A colleague's remarks appear to be especially cutting. But don't waste your time or your energy trying to deal with the situation. You have more important things to do.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Support for your work comes as a surprise from someone you thought was critical or, at least, indifferent. Your spouse or partner has big plans for the weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your spiritual strength often acts as an inspiration to help others make decisions about their lives.

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## I Heart Valentine's Day

**Is chocolate a guilty treat or a great-tasting, heart-healthy indulgence?** Do you use chocolate to boost your mood, or reserve it for special celebrations? Chocolate has been considered an aphrodisiac food since the time of Aztecs. It's said to contain a substance that inflames desire and makes the beloved one more open to romance.

Whatever your reason for choosing chocolate, emerging research shows there may be some health benefits to consuming certain types of chocolate. This is wonderful news for chocolate lovers and for anyone who enjoys celebrating Valentine's Day!

Unsweetened cocoa and dark chocolate appear to be healthier choices than other kinds of chocolate. Dark chocolate also is a delicious, heart-healthy choice for Valentine's Day. Blood pressure, cardiovascular health and insulin sensitivity have all been shown to improve from the flavonoids in the cocoa bean.

Other research suggests that eating chocolate makes us feel good -- something self-professed chocoholics already know. Chocolate helps reduce stress and has other positive, mood-boosting psychological effects. Chocolate also may be connected to neurotransmitters boosting mood and lowering anxiety. Research is still preliminary, so nutrition experts don't recommend eating chocolate for those health benefits alone, but the research is something chocolate lovers will watch.

**So how much dark chocolate or unsweetened cocoa powder** is the potential ticket to good health? None of the studies to date have determined the optimal daily serving. Many health experts are comfortable recommending daily dark chocolate in



small amounts -- an ounce or two daily -- if it's a food you already enjoy and can afford it in your calorie budget.

Making chocolate milk with unsweetened cocoa powder (containing 82% cocoa) stirred into skim milk and sweetened with stevia -- as opposed to the highly processed and sugar-sweetened version typically found on supermarket shelves -- is a healthy choice. In one study, chocolate-milk drinkers who used the healthy drink recipe showed marked improvement in heart health, including a boost to the "good" HDL cholesterol.

**Not all chocolate is created equal:** The higher the cocoa content, the greater the health benefits from flavonoids, which help protect against aging and some chronic diseases. Following unsweetened cocoa powder on the list for highest percentage of cocoa is unsweetened baking chocolate and dark chocolate.

**Studies suggest that eating dark chocolate** with at least 70% cocoa improves cardiovascular health. Semisweet chocolate and milk chocolate are lower in cocoa content.

A final word of caution: check the ingredients label to see where sugar is listed. The further down the list the better, because that indicates a smaller amount of sugar. Weigh the extra calories in chocolate before you spend them -- and then enjoy every morsel!

My recipe for Dark Chocolate Delights are bonbons that are simple to make and the perfect Valentine's Day gift for the health and happiness of the ones you love. Dates are a sweet and "delightful" ingredient in these dark chocolate bonbons. Dates are rich in calcium, sulfur, iron, potassium, phosphorous, manganese, copper and magnesium, which are all advantageous for health.

Have a happy (and heart-healthy) Valentine's Day!

### DARK CHOCOLATE DELIGHTS

- · 1 cup peanut butter, smooth or chunky
- 1 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 1 cup stevia powdered sugar (see recipe below)
- 1 cup dates, chopped (not the prepackaged, chopped type)
- 1 1/2 tablespoons butter, softened, divided
- 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 1/2 cup dark chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup shredded, unsweetened coconut, optional

#### To make sugar-free powdered sugar:

- 1 cup stevia (like Truvia Baking Blend or Whole Earth Baking Blend)
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch

Combine the stevia and cornstarch in a blender or food processor. Combine the ingredients on high until it creates the look and consistency of traditional powdered sugar. Use in the recipe as directed. Makes 1 cup.

#### To make the BonBons:

- 1. Using a large bowl, combine peanut butter, pecans, stevia powdered sugar, dates and 1 tablespoon butter, and mix well. Form mixture into 1-inch balls. Set aside in refrigerator to harden, about 30 minutes.
- Meanwhile, melt the semisweet chips in a large glass measuring cup or medium bowl in the microwave on medium power (or on defrost setting), about 2 minutes, stirring once after 1 minute, until melted and smooth.
- 3. Stir in remaining dark chocolate chips and stir constantly until smooth (this cools and tempers the chocolate, setting up crystals so it will harden). Stir in the remaining 1/2 tablespoon butter to bring the chocolate to a glossy finish.
- 4. Dip each bonbon ball into the melted chocolate mixture and set the bonbons on wax paper or parchment paper. Sprinkle with shredded coconut, if desired. Let stand until chocolate is firm, about 15 minutes. Store tightly covered at room temperature. Makes about 32 bonbons.

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## **Caribbean News / Regional News**



## 'The Nevisian Kiss' on The Island of Love

### Nevis Inspires Love & Romance on Valentine's Day with Signature Aphrodisiac Cocktail

Charlestown, Nevis, February 9, 2021 - To solidify Nevis' position as the definitive "Island of Love", the Nevis Tourism Authority, (NTA) has introduced a specialty cocktail with aphrodisiac properties for Valentine's Day.

Inspired by Aphrodite, the ancient Greek goddess of love, beauty, and fertility; the NEVISAN KISS was conceived by the awardwinning Nevisian mixologist, Mr. Kremour Maloney. Mr. Maloney tells us, "Aphrodite was also Cupid's mother, the symbol of Valentine's love and passion and she was acclaimed to have given us the gift of pleasure and the power of seduction, all elements that stir those lustful feelings that are captured in her namesake, Aphrodisiac and we deliver in the Nevisian Kiss".

Aromatic and spiced, the NEVISIAN KISS contains three magical elixirs with aphrodisiac qualities that have been used through the ages: Cinnamon for blood flow and sexual libido; Ginger to increase body heat and a heightened heart rate; and Nutmeg, reputed to be "Viagra for Women", also raises body heat, sweetens breath, and acts as an all-round stimulant. The foundation of the Nevisian Kiss is the Nevisian rum, Captain Nils Viking Rum, and combined. these ingredients are brewed to make a potent

The recipe for the Nevisian Kiss is a blend of 1.5 oz. Captain Nils Viking Rum, 1.0 oz. fresh lime juice, 1.0 oz. cinnamon infused simple syrup, 0.75 oz. apple juice, 2 slices of ginger root and finished with a garnish of fresh grated nutmeg. To ensure you have your NEVISIAN KISS blended to perfection, Mr. Maloney will host a demonstration via a live stream on @ NevisNaturally, the handle for Instagram on Sunday, February 14th at 1pm AST (12:00pm

'Nevis, The Island of Love', is renowned as a destination for all things romance: engagements, weddings, and romantic holidays. This Valentine's Day, Nevis wants to assist you in declaring your love to your significant other in grand style by illuminating your commitment on the NTA's social media platforms. To be featured, all it requires for your participation is to share your love story, titled "Nevis Love Story" with their social media handles for the NTA and they will create a personalized image in your honor.

On receipt of your story, the NTA will create a "Sandy Love" graphic by drawing a heart on a pristine beach, lapped by the warm Caribbean waters, and take photos of the images. The graphic will feature the names of the lovers that submitted a "Nevis Love Story" with their social media handles tagged, and on Valentine's Day, the tagged images will be posted on the NTA's social media platforms and shared to all their followers.

Participants are encouraged to share their love story with the world by reposting this virtual symbol to celebrate their love, sealing their commitment with a NEVISIAN KISS. Wishing a happy Valentine's Day from Nevis with love.

For travel and tourism information on Nevis please visit the Nevis Tourism Authority website at www.nevisisland.com; and follow us on Instagram (@nevisnaturally), Facebook (@nevisnaturally), YouTube (nevisnaturally) and Twitter (@Nevisnaturally).

## Jamaica Tourist Board Launches My Heartbeats JA Wedding and Romance Microsite

KINGSTON, JAMAICA - February 9, 2021 -Jamaica, recently named 'World's Leading Wedding Destination' at the World Travel Awards, has launched a Wedding and Romance microsite, aptly named My Heart Beats JA. Housed in the Jamaica Tourist Board (JTB) website, the microsite is a repository of all things love, providing solutions and options for anyone on the romance journey under the categories: Romantic Getaways, Getting Engaged and I Do. Content across the microsite addresses consumer trends, including more intimate or even private destination weddings,

and seeking opportunities for romantic escapes. Jamaica is strategically aligned to meet those needs, capitalizing on the \$300 billion global wedding industry through customizable experiences that come to life through the new site.

"My Heart Beats JA is a fulfillment of a promise the Jamaica Tourist Board made to continue to evolve the VisitJamaica platform into an ecosystem of all opportunities for tourism in Jamaica. It gives us a great feeling that we have been able to, not just keep our promise, but more importantly, remain true to the objectives we have set for our digital

focus," remarked Jamaica's Director of Tourism, Donovan White at the COVID-safe launch event that was held at the AC Hotel by Marriott in Kingston.

Minister of Tourism, Hon. Edmund Bartlett stated in the keynote, "Jamaica is a place for love, for lovers, for romance and the romantic. Of the over 700 stopover arrivals to the island from January to November last year, 58% of that number represented visitors travelling for weddings and honeymoon. This tells me that Jamaica is truly the heartbeat of the world as it continues to pull and pique the interest of visitors searching for unique experiences."

Partners are poised to benefit from this heightened focus on weddings and romance as the architecture of the site gives opportunities for all licensed vendors and suppliers within the space to be represented. Users who enter the site are within three clicks of a live person representing supplies including places to stay, cake vendors, photographers or trip planners.

Wendy, a real wedding concierge, adds another personal and human touch to the site navigation. Site visitors will have personalized one-on-one engagement with Wendy through the site, or on Twitter, as she provides information and offering ideas to meeting discerning tastes.

For more information about My Heartbeats JA, please visit: www.visitjamaica.com/ weddings-and-honeymoons

## Covid-19 Yachting Regulations for the Dutch Caribbean Island

## of St. Eustatius

and a growing number of couples identifying

Oranjestad, St. Eustatius, February 8, 2021 - The Government of St. Eustatius (Statia) has issued new directives regarding the island's accommodation of yachts during Covid-19.

As at February 1st, 2021, yachts visiting Statia from low-risk countries can apply for permission to enter the island without the need for quarantine. Entry requests can be emailed to: info. covid19@statiagov.com and it should be received at least 72 hours before the planned date of arrival. Approval will be within 48 hours after receiving the

All staff on yachts which visited a high-risk country during the last 14 days, must stay in quarantine on board the yacht for 14 days before being allowed to go on shore in Statia.

Country risk categories can be found here: http://bit.ly/3rojpMc

All yachts are allowed to anchor in Statia waters without going onshore.

Diving schools on the island can visit the yachts from high-risk countries and organize diving trips directly from the yacht. The divers on these yachts must possess a PADI certificate.

Although the harbour is officially closed until further notice, residents of Statia can moor their vessels at the harbour pier. If vessels attempt to moor in any other area, they will be directed to the harbour pier.

We encourage you to visit https:// www.statiagovernment.com/keytopics/covid-19 for up-to-date information on Statia's Covid-19 protocols.

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## **US Senate to Proceed with Trump Impeachment Trial**

By Ken Bredemeier, Updated February 10, 2021

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Senate voted Tuesday to proceed with the impeachment trial of former President Donald Trump on a charge that he incited insurrection at the U.S. Capitol last month by urging hundreds of his supporters to confront lawmakers as they met to certify that Democrat Joe Biden had defeated him in last November's election.

The 56-44 vote to start hearing evidence in the case at mid-day Wednesday came after four hours of impassioned arguments about the constitutionality of holding the trial while Trump is no longer in office.

Democratic lawmakers from the House of Representatives prosecuting the case against Trump said the former U.S. leader must be held to account for his actions in his final weeks in office.

Trump's two lawyers contended that the country's Founding Fathers, in writing the Constitution, only intended for impeachment to be used as a tool to remove a president from office, an impossibility in Trump's case since his four-year term ended January 20 as Biden was inaugurated.

As Trump's impeachment trial opened, Congressman Jamie Raskin of Maryland, one of the House impeachment managers prosecuting Trump, said that if Trump is not held accountable, it "would create a brand-new January exception" where future presidents would not face consequences for any wrongdoing during their final month in office.



In this image from video, House impeachment manager Rep. David Cicilline, D-R.I., speaks during the second impeachment trial of former President Donald Trump in the Senate at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, Feb. 9, 2021.

#### Video of January 6 violence

The Democrats showed the Senate a dramatic video of the chaos that unfolded in the Capitol on January 6, with rampaging protesters storming past authorities and lawmakers scrambling to avoid the violence, shortly after they had started to certify that Biden had defeated Trump in last November's election.

Raskin recalled that his chief of staff, daughter and son-in-law were forced to barricade themselves in House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer's office and hide under a desk while rioters banged on the office door, "placing what they thought were their final texts and whispered phone calls to say their goodbyes. They thought they were gonna die."

Trump, who urged hundreds of supporters to confront lawmakers at the Capitol in a last-ditch effort to upend the election results, was impeached a week later and left office January 20 as Biden was inaugurated as the country's 46th president.

Raskin said that every day a president is in office "he's prohibited from committing high crimes and misdemeanors" — the standard for conviction on impeachment charges — and cannot avoid responsibility for the deadly mayhem at the Capitol because he now is out of office.

But Trump's lawyers sharply disputed the legality of the Senate holding an impeachment trial on the allegation by the House of Representatives that Trump engaged in "incitement of insurrection" by urging his supporters to march on the Capitol and "fight like hell."

Trump lawyer Bruce Castor Jr. said, "The idea of a January exception [for presidential responsibility for his actions] is nonsense." He said that if Trump committed any offenses, "arrest him," now that he is a private citizen and no longer immune from prosecution.

Castor quoted the Constitution saying that conviction on impeachment charges "shall not extend further than removal from office," an impossibility since Trump's four-year term in the White House has already ended.

"The object of the Constitution has already been achieved," Castor said. "He was removed by the voters."

Trump's other lawyer, David Schoen, accused Democrats of pursuing the impeachment case against him "to eliminate Donald Trump from the American political scene." He said "pure, raw, misguided partisanship" was at the heart of the Democrats' case against the former president.

Tuesday's vote to proceed was expected.

Last month, Senator Rand Paul of Kentucky, a staunch Trump supporter, attempted to block the trial on the same constitutional grounds, but five Republicans joined all 50 Democrats in voting 55-45 to proceed with the trial.

In the new vote Tuesday, another Republican, Senator Bill Cassidy of Louisiana, also voted to go ahead with the trial.

However, it will take a twothirds majority for conviction, meaning at least 11 more Republican senators would have to reverse their votes for the prosecution to prevail. The 100-seat Senate is currently evenly divided 50-50 between Republicans and Democrats.

Paul says there is a "zero chance of conviction." If Trump is convicted, the Senate, on a simple majority vote, could bar him from ever holding federal office again.

In 1876, the Senate conducted an impeachment trial of a Cabinet secretary during the Grant administration who resigned moments before he was impeached. Trump was impeached by the House while still in office.

The protest on January 6 turned into mayhem, as about 800 Trump supporters rampaged past authorities into the Capitol, smashed doors and windows, ransacked some congressional offices and scuffled with police. Five people were killed, including a Capitol Police officer whose death is being investigated as a homicide, and a rioter shot by an officer.

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#### **BADMINTON**

### After winning mock tourney, Glenn eyeing Biosafe Mixer crown

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Carri Glenn has his eyes on becoming the 1st Biosafe Mixer Tournament title holder on Sunday, after going deep into his arsenal, propelled by a powerful serve, to beat Creighton "CJ" Brewley in straight sets, 4-1, 4-0, for the mock version of the tournament victory.

"This game was a very competitive match. We've been playing together for a while and I've seen the improvement of CJ," Glenn told Island Sun Sports. "Coming out here, I knew I had to get my A game on. I started off a little shaky, came from behind then I knew that I had to get in front in order to keep ahead of the game. To back him down, I had to make sure I brought my serve, because that's my main strength. I had to pull out my weapon and give him those ace serves."

Brewley said Glenn has a lot of ammunition and weapons. "He has the slice, he has the serve and is a very good player," he noted. "I had to try and trick him—hit him short serves hoping that he would hit it into the net—try to stretch it so he could run for it. He has a very good serve and I was shocked that I was able to return it today, which showed that I have some improvement."

By winning, Glenn said his eyes are on Sunday's real prize. "Yes, I think I can win the

championship," he said. "I have put in a lot of work and really have to dig in there and make sure I close it out."

However, Brewley isn't conceding the title. "I'm not going to say for sure he's going to win the tournament," he said. "I'm still going for it."

Brewley said before meeting Glenn, he started off shaky playing Keziah "Jade" Bolton, in a drawn out 4-1, 4-2 match. He said he didn't feel as if he was flowing, then pulled out a three set 3-4, 4-3, 4-3 victory over Pat Lettsome, in the day's most competitive match and the only one that went to three sets. He said she gave him a run for his money.

"I was really just trying to keep in the game and kept encouraging myself, Brewley, don't worry about this you're going to get it, that's the way I tried to approach matches," he explained. "In my mind, I have to try again until my hand falls off. I'm going to keep trying until something happens."

On his way to meeting Safe side Glenn defeated Bio side counterpart Yucari Brewley, 4-0, 4-1, then Martha Bowens, 4-0, 4-0. Yucari stopped Martha Bowens, 4-3, 4-2 in her opener.

Yucari told Island Sun Sports that the experience has taught her to be focused.

"I have to be prepared to analyze each opponent's weakness to use it against them because each one plays very differently," she said. "I learnt to have fun, don't watch the points—you might be down whether it's 4-love, 3-love—don't drop your shoulders, keep fighting and don't let your opponent intimidate you."

Bolton said the mock has helped her because she doesn't go to the ball as much as she should. "I don't really move much, I just stand and wait for the ball to come," she said. "My backhand has improved a lot and my speed too."

Bowens said she could have played better games as many of her shots went into the net. "I have to practice on the return of the ball, make sure it doesn't go into the net because I notice that a lot of my balls were going downward," she explained. "If I can just get up a little—right above the net—then I'll be good. I also have to work on my backhand speed and placing the ball at the right angle. I don't have a problem with the ball, it's hitting the ball back."

In the day's toughest match, Lettsome said she lost to Creighton by 'folly mistakes,' and I have learnt to keep the focus on the game and her opponent.



Martha Bowen, left, Carri Glenn, Yucari Brewley, Keziah "Jae" Bolton, Pat Lettsome and Creighton Brewley Jr., will battle for Sunday's Biosafe Mixer crown

"I think I was being broken by a stride that caused me to change my emotions and that's where I thought I lost focus at that point," said Lettsome who later defaulted to Bolton. "This mock tournament was a good idea so that we got to know what we're up against. During the week, we can step up on what our little faults are and learn from the mistakes."

Coach and tournament director Carol Mitchell said the tournament was a challenge for each player. "I want all the players to be motivated—to fight," Mitchell said. "It's not over until it's over. I'm proud of all the players."

#### FOOTBALL

### BVI's World Cup qualifier vs Guatemala, moved to Curacao

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

BVI Football Association officials on Tuesday announced the March 27 FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 home qualifying match scheduled for the A. O. Shirley Grounds vs Guatemala, has been moved to Curacao on that same date, because of the COVID-19 protocols and the 14-days quarantine. Subsequently, the March 30 group match against St. Vincent and the Grenadines, will also be played in Curacao.

In a tune up match on Sunday, goals from T'Khoi Richardson in the 12th, Luca Reich in the 18th and Sheldon Harry in the 79th gave the National Team a 3-2 victory over the Virgin Gorda Sugar Boys. A Roland Roberts score and McGraw Baptiste penalty kick, accounted for the Sugar Boys' goals.

"Basically there were two things we were working on—in possession and out of possession—so we asked the players when we have the ball to make the field as wide as possible to possess the ball for as long as possible and

look for some forward passing," Coach Clinton Percival told Island Sun Sports. "Those were the basics we expected them to do—just play wide, keep the ball, look for the penetrating passes. When we don't have the ball, we asked them to play as compact as possible, get behind the ball and make sure you make it as hard as possible for the team to get behind their back. That was the basic synthesis."

Regarding the execution of instructions, Percival said they basically did okay for the first time playing as a team, but there's a lot of room for improvement. He said they can now learn to play as a unit, communicate more as they were too silent on the pitch, not communicating and helping each other. This he added, can help them work as a unit. Working as a unit—on offense or defense—they'll do a lot better and that's something they'll work on.

Percival said while he saw some excellent goals, he told the players that the result wasn't

the important thing, but getting a match under their belts and working on how they want to play, giving players a chance to play as some didn't play in their original positions.

"We will be feeling out players in different positions as we go," Percival stated.

With COVID-19 restrictions affecting overseas players joining the squad and he's not sure they'll have them. "Right now, the main goal is to prepare those here as best as we can to make sure if we cannot get those overseas players, those who we have will be ready," Percival said. "It's a ticklish thing and a lot of things are still up in the air."

With various COVID restrictions and associated travel challenges, the team will engage in matches against other local teams including an All Stars squad in their next encounter. Percival said match practice is very important because after 50, 60 minutes in a game, you start getting tired. It's also important and getting the team to meth



National Team player Ikyjah Williams, left, heading the ball while Sugar Boys' Oswald "Blue" Holder attempts to kick it on a high pass

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BVI Football team after their first warm up match in preparation to play Guatemala in Curacao on March 27



DeShoy Ward follows through on the release of the Discus, during Saturday's 4th Dag Samuels Development Series meet, when he had a best heave of 35.76m



Creighton "CJ" Brewley Jr., returns a backhand against Carri Glenn, during Sunday's Biosafe Mixer mock tournament



Virgin Gorda United's Anna French, left, preparing to fire a shot at goal ahead of Panthers defender, Zariya Smith



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Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business

#### Company Act. FAULKNER ENTERPRISES INC.

(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 January 6, 2021. The Liquidator is Philippe LAMBERT with address at Rue de Kleinbettingen 4, L-8362 Grass, Luxembourg.

Dated: January 6, 2021. (Sgd.) Philippe LAMBERT Voluntary Liquidator

#### ROSSIO LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1707210

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 5th day of February, 2021. The Liquidator is Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2021

Sgd. Brian Jackson

Brian Jackson Voluntary Liquidator

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#### ANTIGUA OVERSEAS HOLDING LTD.

Company No. 1627542 (In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to
Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ANTIGUA OVERSEAS HOLDING LTD., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 8th February 2021 and Ouerube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama, has been appointed as Sole

Dated this 8th February, 2021. Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ Voluntary Liquidator

#### Sweetdot Inc

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2022147

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 5th February, 2021 and Wang Jingang of No. 1301, Cell 1, Building 30, Guanhu Garden, Fumin Road, Yangcun Town, Wuging District, Tianjin City, China, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Wang Jingang

Voluntary Liquidator [87/4]

#### RONCE INVESTMENTS LTD

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1864800

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 5th February, 2021 and Charoulla Lesta of 205 Christodoulou Chatzipavlou, Louloupis Court, 2nd Floor, Flat 201, P.C. 3036 Limassol, Cyprus, has been appointed as Sole

Dated this 8th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Charoulla Lesta Voluntary Liquidator

#### GleMax Investment Ltd.

Company No. 1050028 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that GleMax Investment Ltd. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 5th February, 2021 and Cornelia Tschanz of c/o Toendury + Partner AG, Austrasse 15, 9495 Triesen, Liechtenstein, been appointed

as the Sole Liquidator.
Dated this 8th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Cornelia Tschanz Voluntary Liquidator

#### CRUISE HOLDING LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 369591

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 5th February, 2021 Dated 8th February, 2021

Sgd. Stephanie Lippuner Voluntary Liquidator [87/7]

#### Refinar Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2009845 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 5th February, 2021

Dated 8th February, 2021 Sgd. Daniela Mayr Voluntary Liquidator

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#### WORLD EQUITY INVESTMENT CORP.

Company No. 1630177 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that WORLD EQUITY INVESTMENT CORP., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 5th February, 2021 and Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 8th February, 2021.

Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE

Voluntary Liquidator

#### Athens Overseas Management Corp.

Company No. 1851060 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Athens Overseas Management Corp., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 5th February, 2021 and Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 8th February, 2021 Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ Voluntary Liquidator

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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

#### EAST INDIES HOLDING GROUPLTD

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1054990

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 February 5th 2021. Dated: February 8th, 2021

(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator [87/11]

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#### CAREY ADVISORS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 277044

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 February 5th 2021.

Dated: February 8th, 2021 (Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator

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#### STRUCK OFF Liquidator's Final Notice LOTUS CAPITAL **ENTERPRISES LIMITED**

("the Company") (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1540578

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 4th February 2021 Dated 8th February 2021

Carmine Bailey Voluntary Liquidator

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

#### MNS Investments, Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1669032

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 27th day of January 2021. The Liquidator is Alex Leonardo Chiang Cardenas, of 11785 Sprawling Oak Dr., Windermere, Florida 34786, U.S.A. Dated this 8th day of February 2021.

Dolores Maria Rodriguez de Vera Voluntary Liquidator

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 All Bright Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2023663

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 5th February, 2021.

Dated: 8th February, 2021 (Sgd.) ZHU Zhenfei Liquidator [87/15]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 **Broad Earnest Limited** 

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2023345 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 5th February, 2021. Dated: 8th February, 2021

(Sgd.) ZHU Zhenfei Liquidator

Final Notice of Dissolution under The

#### BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 **Olymm Global Holding**

Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1914237

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 5th February, 2021. Dated: 8th February, 2021

(Sgd.) HU Jun

Liquidator

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 Polaris Global Holding

#### Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1914234

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 5th February, 2021. Dated: 8th February, 2021 (Sgd.) HU Jun

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

#### **High Tower Business Ventures** 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 5 February 2021. The Liquidator is Ms. Lizeika Fernandez de Tomlinson with address at Credicorp Bank Plaza, 26th Floor, Nicanor de Obarrio Avenue, 50th Street, Panama City,

Republic of Panama. Dated: 8 February 2021.

(Sgd.) Ms. Lizeika Fernandez de

Tomlinson Voluntary Liquidator [87/19]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the

BVI Business Company Act. FRESH EVENTS

INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 1795512 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 February 5, 2021. Dated: February 8, 2021 (Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the

#### BVI Business Company Act. HOLY CROSS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 490854

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 February 5, 2021. The Liquidator is Stelios Ioakim with address at 29, Edessas Street Limassol, 3115, Cyprus.

Dated: February 8, 2021. (Sgd.) Stelios Ioakim Voluntary Liquidator [87/21]

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

#### MNS Capital Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1669026

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 27th day of January 2021. The Liquidator is Alex Leonardo Chiang Cárdenas, of 11785 Sprawling Oak Dr., Windermere, Florida 34786,

Dated this 8th day of February 2021. Dolores Maria Rodriguez de Vera Voluntary Liquidator [87/22]

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

#### YONG TAI DIE CASTING (HONG KONG) LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 29th day of January 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-

HUANG Min of

Room 1405, Building 7, Dexi Court, Dexing Garden, Xihuan Road,

Longgang District, Shenzhen, Guangdong,

China

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

**Lucky Chang Limited** 

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of February 2021 under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-WEN Xianhua of 8-2-1502. Weilan Oun. Liangzhu Street, Yuhang District, Hangzhou City, Zhejiang Province, China [87/24]

#### NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT

#### (NO. 16 OF 2004) Sinophi Healthcare Investment Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 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

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

#### **Crop Pioneer Holdings** Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 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

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Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act. 2004 BARTLEN Inc.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. - 1028037 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 25th January, 2021. The liquidator Perilo Andrei of Bilvavivka Raion, Village of Velykyi Dalnyk, 3 Pokrovska Street, Ukraine. Dated: 4th day of February, 2021.

Perilo Andrei

(Sgd.) Perilo Andrei

#### DFJ INVESTMENT CO., LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1824249

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 5th day of February, 2021. The Liquidator is PANG YAN of Room 203, Unit 2, Building 24-2, Baiyin Road, Qingyuan Town, Qingyuan Manchu Autonomous County, Funshun, Liaoning, China. Dated this 5th day of February, 2021 Sgd. PANG YAN

PANG YAN

Voluntary Liquidator

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#### NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT **Daphne Street Investments** Limited

("the Company") (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 5th

February, 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:-Andinee Perry

of Clermont Consultants (CH) SA Rue du Rhone 61

Geneva 1204 Switzerland [87/29]

Voluntary Liquidator

#### GRENTEL INTERNATIONAL LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 656906

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 5th February, 2021 and LINETH PONCE of MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Avenida del Pacifico with Avenida Paseo de Mar, Costa del Este, Panama, Republic of Panama has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 5th day of February, 2021 Sgd. LINETH PONCE [87/30]

#### U&T CO., LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1973988

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 4th February, 2021 and LIU SUMIN of Room 304, Building 4, Village 3, Yushan District, Ma'anshan City, Anhui Province, China, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 5th day of February, 2021 Sgd. LIU SUMIN Voluntary Liquidator

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

#### **Davenport Group Development Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1541667

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 February 9, 2021. The Liquidator is Delio José De León Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama. Dated: February 9, 2021 (Sgd.) Delio José De León Mela Voluntary Liquidator

#### Mckinsey Investment Co., Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1920359

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 8th day of February, The Liquidator is GENG WEIQI of University of International Business and Economics, 10 Huixin East Street, Chaoyang District, Beijing, China. Dated this 9th day of February, 2021 Sgd. GENG WEIQI

GENG WEIQI Voluntary Liquidator [87/33]

#### WEST CITY ASIA LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1845367

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XU Fangying Voluntary Liquidator [87/34]

#### PREMIER TREASURE LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company Number 1772116

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Dated this 9th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Heung Tsz Chau

Heung Tsz Chau Voluntary Liquidator

#### Tom Software Cafe Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1651544

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CHEUNG Yuet Chun Voluntary Liquidator [87/36]

#### CARICH ASSET HOLDINGS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1915092

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 8th day of February, 2021. Dated this 9th day of February, 2021 Sgd. CHIU Yuk Ching

CHIU Yuk Ching Voluntary Liquidator

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

#### WIND OF CHANGE LIMITED -

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No.1854646

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 4th February, 2021 The liquidator is Mrs. Chanelle Latoya Sturge-Woods of Cherry Gardens, St. Johns Parish, St. Kitts and Nevis.

Dated: 9th day of February, 2021. (Sgd.) Mrs. Chanelle Latoya Sturge-Woods

Mrs. Chanelle Latoya Sturge-Woods Liquidator

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#### Like2 Inc

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2021966

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 5th February,2021 and Wang Jingang of No. 1301, Cell 1, Building 30, Guanhu Garden, Fumin Road, Yangcun Town, Wuging District, Tianjin City, China, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 8th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Wang Jingang Voluntary Liquidator [87/39]

#### Hacienda Holdings International, Ltd.

Company No. 481859 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Hacienda Holdings International, Ltd., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 8th February, 2021 and Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 9th February, 2021 Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE Voluntary Liquidator

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidato under Section 204 of the BVI Business

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### Company Act. MGPFINANCE S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 536338

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 February 9th, 2021. The Liquidator is Delio Jose De Leon Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.

Dated: February 9th, 2021 (Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator [87/41]

#### LAY FINANCE LTD.

Company No. 1614448 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that LAY FINANCE LTD., has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 4th February 2021.

Dated this 5th day of February, 2021. Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ

Voluntary Liquidator

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

#### ROCKFORD FINANCE S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1467977

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 February 5, 2021. The Liquidator is Vadim FADEEV with an address at ul. Naberezhnaya d. 18a, Voronezhskoyë 2, 680547 Russia. Dated: February 5, 2021 (Sgd.) Vadim FADEEV Voluntary Liquidator

The BVI Business Companies Act Advertisement of Liquidator's Appointment Section 204(1)(b)

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#### **Ophir Equatorial Guinea** (EG-24) Limited

. Voluntary Liquidation) BC No. 1958060 (the "Company")

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Section 204(1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the above mentioned company has commenced liquidation and dissolution as of February 4 2021. Mr. Ryan Geluk of BDO Limited, Sea Meadow House, Tobacco Wharf, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, has been appointed liquidator. Ryan Geluk Voluntary Liquidator

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#### BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 OPTIMAL PERFORMANCE

#### GROUP LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No.1383659

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 8th February, 2021. Dated: 10th February, 2021

(Sgd.) Michelle Latosa Grospe Voluntary Liquidator

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1008340

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 28th day of January 2021. The Liquidator is Alex Leonardo Chiang Cárdenas, of Calle 23, No. 7004, Apto 2, entry 70 y 70A, Playa, Havana,

Dated this 10th day of February 2021. Alex L. Chiang Cardenas Voluntary Liquidator

#### Isabel Finance Ltd.

Company No. 525484 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Isabel Finance Ltd., has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 8th February, 2021. Dated this 10th day of February, 2021

Sgd. OUERUBE CASTILLO DE

Voluntary Liquidator [87/47]

#### **CREOLA PROPERTIES** CORP.

Company No. 1746628 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that CREOLA PROPERTIES CORP., has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 8th February, 2021.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2021 Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE

Voluntary Liquidator [87/48]

#### INCER INVESTING CO.

Company No. 1908095 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that INCER INVESTING CO. INC., has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 8th February, 2021.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2021 Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE

Voluntary Liquidator [87/49]

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

#### NODELY MANGEMENT

LTD

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1724986

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 February 5, 2021. The Liquidator is Yuliya Agafonova with address at 15, Rue Rene Weimerskirch, L-2713, Luxembourg.

Dated: February 5, 2021. (Sgd.) Yuliya Agafonova

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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

#### NASENTIA INVESTMENTS LTD

In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1590876

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 February 4, 2021.

Dated: February 5, 2021 (Sgd.) Nereida Esther Moreno Cerrud de Serrano Voluntary Liquidator

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#### Yuna Investments Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of January, 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -Marsha Corum Of Nerine Chambers, Road Town, Tortola,

British Virgin Islands [87/52]

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

#### KNOBLE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of February, 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -Petra-Marie Herbert Of Nerine Chambers, Road Town, Tortola,

British Virgin Islands

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

#### Anfield Global Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of February, 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -Petra-Marie Herbert Of Nerine Chambers. Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands

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#### CHANGZHOU RELIANCE MEDICAL&HYGIENE PRODUCTS CO., LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1754512

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 10th February,2021 and Wang Yinv of No. 149, Group 3, East Village, Heng Jie Street, Yin Zhou, Ning Bo, Zhe Jiang, China, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Wang Yinv Voluntary Liquidator

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#### DREAM WAVE ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1909275

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 9th February,2021 and Thomas Chun Wai WONG of 60th Floor, Hopewell Center, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 10th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Thomas Chun Wai WONG Voluntary Liquidator [87/56]

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

#### LKES LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1050686

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 5th January, 2021. The liquidator is Joshua Kamerman of 1700 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019.

Dated: 5th day of January, 2021 (Sgd.)Joshua Kamerman Voluntary Liquidator

#### SYLOG OVERSEAS CORP.

Company No. 1823390 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that SYLOG OVERSEAS CORP. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 10th February, 2021 and RAMÓN ORTÍZ DE TÁRANCO of Ruta 8 km. 17500, Zonamerica, Local 115 A. 91600 Montevideo, Uruguay, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this 10th February, 2021.

Sgd. RAMÓN ORTÍZ DE TARANCO Voluntary Liquidator

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#### **BLOOMINVEST ASSETS**

INC

Company No. 577576 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that BLOOMINVEST ASSETS INC., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 10th February, 2021 and Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 10th February, 2021 Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ

Voluntary Liquidator

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator
Pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Business Company Act, 204 (as amended) for

#### LIONEL INVESTMENT CAPITAL LTD.

(the "Company") BVI Business Company No.

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 10th February, 2021. The Liquidator is ANTONIS INDIANOS of Aitolon 11, 1101 Nicosia, Cyprus. Dated 10th February, 2021

(Sgd.) ANTONIS INDIANOS Voluntary Liquidator [87/60]

#### Motus Holding Ltd.

Company No. 1760591

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Motus Holding Ltd. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 10th February, 2021 and Mrs. TATIANA DIETL at Avenue de Beauregard 1, 1701 Fribourg, Switzerland, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this: 10th day of February, 2021 Sgd. Mrs. TATIANA DIETL Voluntary Liquidator

SPL SOMBERA

PROPERTIES LTD. Company No. 88148 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that SPL SOMBERA PROPERTIES LTD. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced

on 10th February, 2021 and Mrs. LINETH PONCE of MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Avenida del Pacifico with Avenida Paseo de Mar, Costa del Este, Panama, Republic of Panama has been appointed as Sole Liquidator. Dated this: 10th day of February, 2021

Sgd. Mrs. LINETH PONCE Voluntary Liquidator [87/62]

> PINNACLE (B.V.I) LIMITED (In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 1911386 NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that PINNACLE (B.V.D LIMITED is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 4th day of February, 2021. The Liquidator is Miss Nicola Gillespie c/o Citco B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands,

VG1110. Dated 5th day of February, 2020. (Sgd.) Nicola Gillespie

Voluntary Liquidator

#### ENDEAVOR CAPITAL CORP.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 226182

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ENDEAVOR CAPITAL CORP. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 3rd day of February, 2021. The Liquidator is Mrs. Claire Thomson c/o Citco B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands,

Dated 4th day of February, 2020. (Sgd.) Claire Thomson

Voluntary Liquidator

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

Probate no. 0014 of 2021

In the Estate of DAVID MERCER SKINNER, late of Elder Care Home Services, Loyal Crescent, Devonshire, Bermuda, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by DAVID FIELDEN SKINNER of 7 Hungry Bay Lane, Paget DV 04, Bermuda for Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 29th day of April 2019 wherein the applicant is the second named executor in the said last will of the said deceased, the first named executor, JOAN RUTH SKINNER, the wife of the deceased having renounced probate.

Any person having an objection to the application to the Grant of Probate of the Will shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this

Dated this 9th day of February 2021.

Filed by Walkers Attorneys-at Law whose address for service is

171 Main Street Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands VG 1110

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

PROBATE NO. 0015 OF 2021

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN CAMPION, late of 2823 Saint Johns Bluff Rd S, DuVal Jacksonville Florida, 32246, United States of America, DECEASED

#### FORM P7: ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR **GRANT OF PROBATE**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by HAROLD E PATRICOFF of 200 S. Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 4100, Miami, Florida 33131, Attorney-at-Law at Shutts & Bowen LLP for a Grant of Probate of the Last Will of the above named deceased who died on the 2nd day of October 2020 without revoking the will bearing the date of 17th day of December 2018 wherein the applicant is named sole executor.

ANY PERSON having any objection to the Grant of Probate to the said HAROLD E PATRICOFF shall file an objection within fourteen (14) days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2021

Filed by Conyers Dill and Pearman, Solicitors for the Applicant, Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110. Tel: 1 (284) 852 1000 Fax: 1 (284) 1001 Email: Allana-J.Joseph@conyers.com

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

PROBATE NO. 0013 OF 2021

IN THE ESTATE OF MANU CHIARAVANOND, 193 SOI SUKHUMVIT 49 (MIDDLE), KHLONG TAN NUEA SUB-DISTRICT, WATTHANA DIS-TRICT, BANGKOK, THAILAND, DECEASED

#### FORM P7: ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR LET-TERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Prapaporn Chiaravanond, 29/2 Akkhaphat Alley, Khlong Tan Nuea Sub-district, Vadhana District, Bangkok Metropolis, Thailand, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is a natural and lawful wife of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on 28 October

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

Dated this 2nd day of February 2021

Filed by Convers Dill and Pearman,

Legal Practitioners for the Applicant, whose address for service is Commerce

House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town,

Tortola, British

Virgin Islands VG1110.

Tel: 1 (284) 852 1000 Fax: 1 (284) 852 1001

Email: Robert.Lindley@conyers.com

#### **Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court IN THE** HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (PROBATE)

Probate: BVINP2021/001

#### IN THE ESTATE OF NED PHILLPS of Tortola, British Virgin Islands deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that CLAUDETTE M. RYMER of Tortola British Virgin Islands, friend of the deceased, who died on the 29th day of August in the year of 2020 intends to apply to the High Court of Justice in the Probate Division for a Grant of Deed of ownership of 2017 Toyota Hiace - Taxi -76 4 from the estate of the said NED PHILLPS, deceased.

ANY PERSON or persons who has or have objections to the Grant of Deed of ownership to the said CLAUDETTE M. RYMER of Tortola, British Virgin Islands shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of the notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the British Virgin Islands the proper documents explaining objections.

Dated this 9th day of February 2021 Unified Events Services Legal Assistant for Application

#### NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT

#### **Kochi Holdings Limited**

("the Company") (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 2nd February, 2021; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-Vandana Mayank

#### Shah Of 12 Michleham Down

North Fineley London N12 7JN United Kingdom

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NOTICE

BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)

#### Honray CMT Investment Ltd. (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 2021 under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-

LIU Bo of

No. 6, 3/F, Unit 1,

Building 13, No. 88,

Xingye South Street, Xipu Town,

Pi County, Sichuan,

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NOTICE

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

### ETERNEW

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 2021 under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-

ZHOU Jin of

Room 103, No. 5, Lane 184,

Fuxin Road, Yangpu District, Shanghai,

China

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NOTICE

BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004) Skyslimit Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 2021 under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-

GU Yizhe of

Room 1806, No. 1699,

Gubei Road, Minhang District,

Shanghai,

China

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

**BVIHPB 2020/** 

In the Estate of CLARENCE VANTERPOOL JR late of Harrigan Estate, Tortola, The Virgin Islands, deceased

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR APPLICATION OF GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by DENLEY ELLISON VANTERPOOL of Harrigan Estate, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, CARMEN ALVIRA VANTERPOOL-ROMNEY of 14-22 Bonne Resolution, St Thomas , United States Virgin Islands and DANDRA TRISHTON VANTERPOOL of Chalwell Estate, Tortola, British Virgin Islands for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicants who are three children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 11th day of September, 2019.

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

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2021.

Dancia Penn & Co

Legal Practitioners for the Intended Administrators

Filed by Dancia Penn & Co. Attorneys-at-Law whose address for service is 49 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; telephone (284) 494 4197; Email: paralegalsupport@danciapenn.com [8

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

BVIHPB 2021/

In the Estate of: ZORAIDA SOFIA CHANG VDA DE DIEBOLD Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that Olivier Bernard DIEBOLD of 792 Regal Cove Rd, Weston, FL 33327, United States of America, the intended administrator of the estate of the late ZORAIDA SOFIA CHANG VDA DE DIEBOLD, late of Lima, Peru, who died intestate in Peru, on the 27th of February 2020, domiciled in Peru as aforesaid, have applied to the High Court in the Probate Division for the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Estate of the said ZORAIDA SOFIA CHANG VDA DE DIEBOLD, deceased.

Any persons having any objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration as aforesaid to Olivier Bernard DIEBOLD 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 this 1st day of February 2021.

GRANT & Co

Solicitors for the Intended Administrators

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## THE VIRGIN ISLANDS IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (PROBATE)

BVIHPB2020/0203

In the Estate of MARIZSTA ASHOUYA SERGEANT late of The Valley, Virgin Gorda, deceased

## PUBLIC NOTICE [Rules 15]

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by EARILL ERAEMUS SERGEANT and JACQUELINE JENNIFER SERGEANT both of The Valley, Virgin Gorda, in the British Virgin Islands, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the surviving parents of the deceased, the deceased having died on the 10th day of March 2020.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant shall file an objection within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated this 20th day of January, 2021.

GRACE CHAMBERS

Legal Practitioners for the Intended Administrators (GC Ref: MZM.171.1273)

#### THE VIRGIN ISLANDS IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (PROBATE)

BVIHPB2020/0204

In the Estate of IAN HIRAM PHIPPS late of Hodges Creek, Tortola, deceased

#### PUBLIC NOTICE [Rules 15]

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by REANELL ANTOINETTE JONES-PHIPPS of Hodges Creek, Tortola, in the British Virgin Islands, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant, who is the widow of the deceased, the deceased having died on the 15th day of March 2020.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant shall file an objection within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated this 20th day of January, 2021.

#### GRACE CHAMBERS

Legal Practitioners for the Intended Administratrix (GC Ref: MZM.171.1273)

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

#### TAJJ Holdings Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 4th day of February 2021 under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-

ZHANG Tao of

Suit C, 13F., No. 918,

Middle Huaihai Road

Huangpu District, Shanghai,

China [87/69]

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

#### Bayes Ventures Management Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of February 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

DAI Jing of

No. 107, Building 22,

Sanfengli, Chaoyang District,

Beijing,

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

#### Captain Unicorn Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of February 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 Yan of

No. 25, Group 4, Yangwei Village, Dagang Town, Yandu District, Yancheng City,

Jiangsu Province,

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

#### Funfan Holding Co., LTD

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th day of January 2021, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

Jingching GAO of

Group 11, Beiheyanwei,

Beiwan Street, Tiexi District,

Siping City, Jilin Province,

China

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## CARICOM united voice urgent in COVID Vaccine Crisis

By Sir Ronald Sanders

Developing countries, including the member states of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) are being left behind in the rollout of vaccinations

against COVID-19 that is now underway in rich countries.

The most recent information from the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) is that 36 countries in the Americas, including the 14 independent CARICOM States, have been notified that, between the end of February and

August 2021, they will be receiving only a small percentage of AstraZeneca vaccines that they ordered and for which, in some cases, they have already paid under a World Health Organization (WHO) arrangement called COVAX.

According to a COVAX statement, it is estimated that around 35.3 million doses will be arriving in the Americas in this first stage – a drop in the bucket or just 5% of the 630 million people of the area from Mexico to Argentina, including the Caribbean. There is also no indication of what happens after August, but what is clear is that these countries will not get enough vaccines to inoculate their populations in 2021.

For developing countries taken collectively, the situation is even more dire. Reports indicate that 90% of persons in developing countries will not have access to any COVID vaccine in 2021, and that rich nations, representing less than 15% of the world's population, have already purchased more than 50% of the most promising vaccines.

PAHO Director, Carissa Etienne, has made it clear that "with more than 45 million confirmed cases and more than one million deaths, countries and territories throughout the Americas, particularly the poorest among them, are experiencing an unprecedented health, economic and social crisis." This is a matter that demands an urgent response from all developed countries acting in concert.

There has been no such collective response to date, and no obvious machinery for doing so. The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), which once spoke effectively for developing states, is now a shadow of the powerful body it was at its formation under the leadership of India, Egypt, Ghana, Indonesia and Yugoslavia.

The global south is voiceless as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to infect and kill millions of people and decimate economies and livelihoods.

There is also no unified response from the 36 countries of the Americas, including CARICOM, although they collectively need to immunize approximately 500 million people to control the pandemic – and they need to do so fast.

A research study, sponsored by the U.S. National Bureau of Economic Research in Massachusetts, states that: "In monopolizing the supply of vaccines against COVID-19, wealthy nations are threatening more than a humanitarian catastrophe: The resulting economic devastation will hit affluent countries nearly as hard as those

in the developing world". The study, entitled "The Economic Case for Global Vaccinations: An Epidemiological Model with International Production Networks", also points out that even if wealthy countries are fully vaccinated by the

middle of this year, and poor countries remain largely shut out, "the global economy would suffer losses exceeding \$9 trillion, a sum greater than the annual output of Japan and Germany combined".

Developed countries are, therefore, not immune from the consequences of failing to help inoculate developing

countries. This is now the world's problem, and the world should be tackling it. However, that is not happening. Instead, we have seen a rush to "COVID nationalism", with the richest and most powerful nations focusing only on themselves. If this continues, there will be a terrible price to pay.

At a meeting of the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States (OAS) on January 27, after a presentation by PAHO officials on the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which I described as 'chilling", I called for action in all international fora, including the OAS, to tackle the problem of neglected countries urgently.

Encouraged by CARICOM Ambassadorial colleagues in Washington, Antigua and Barbuda's delegation to the OAS drafted a Resolution on the urgency of delivering vaccines to the 36 developing countries in the Americas, including CARICOM States. That draft resolution, once agreed by CARICOM countries, will be put to the OAS for adoption. The resolution will, among other things, request those member states with the capacity to do so, to take actions to facilitate equitable distribution of vaccines globally and in the Hemisphere. It will also encourage the International Financial Institutions to provide low-cost funding to all developing countries, particularly small states, to help address the subjugation of the coronavirus and the rebuilding of economies.

This is not a matter for the OAS only. CARICOM states, in their own interests, should be raising their voices everywhere, including at the Summit of the Americas, scheduled for this year with the participation of the U.S. President and the Prime Minister of Canada.

No meeting of the leaders of the Americas, convened in this epoch of the COVID-19 pandemic with all the evidence of the millions of lives it has taken, and the decimation of economies and the livelihoods of people, can responsibly ignore its far-reaching consequences.

Leaders of the Americas have to give their peoples concrete plans to contain the virus and to restore vibrant economies. They have to give their nations good reasons for optimism and confidence that their lives can be made better. To do so, they must also commit to helping their neighbours. For no one is safe until all are safe.

CARICOM countries must also act collectively to argue for their joint survival.



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## Mortals endure Austerity, while Politicians Squander and Steal

Austerity measures issued by governments worldwide are often contradicted by those who are supposed to implement them. In our days of Covid pandemic, with death knocking at many doors, politicians remain busy with their old habits.

In 2015 the United Kingdom David Cameron said: "We know that there is no such thing as public money – there is only taxpayers' money".

Malta provides us an example with the cost of the Robert Abela's cabinet. The island nation has a population of less than half a million. It's the smallest state in the European Union in terms of population and geographical area. On 24 November 2020, Abela announced a cabinet reshuffle – appointing no fewer than four new ministers, bringing the number of ministers up to 20 (excluding the prime minister himself), complemented and assisted by another six parliamentary secretaries. A total of 27 from a government parliamentary group of 37. This is according to The Times of Malta.

In Great Britain, former City and Treasury economist Mike Denham, in his book "Burning Our Money" exposes the wasteful spending and poor public sector performance. Denham said: "Politicians are still spending far too much money and our public services are not delivering value. Successive governments have failed to tackle the waste and bureaucracy strangling our economy".

Two months ago the Daily Mail had this to say: "In a groundbreaking joint investigation with the Taxpayers' Alliance, the Mail this week reveals that as Britons are struggling through the worst economic year of our lifetimes, billions of pounds of our cash has been, and continues to be, squandered by the public sector."

Looking back at 2018 the Center for American Progress had this to say: "Since taking office less than a year ago, President Donald Trump has created the most corrupt administration in modern American history. He has used his position to enrich himself and his family, filled his administration with former industry lobbyists, and sought to prevent an investigation into his shady business practices." The writing was on the wall, nothing was done, and only an attempted coup woke the world up.

"Billions of pounds of taxpayers' cash may have been misspent, squandered or lost to corruption during Britain's final year of European Union membership, a scathing audit of the bloc's budget has found... In one Hungarian case, EU aid was used for the construction of a "storage facility for cereals" after funds were dished out to build a store for animal food. In Belgium, cash was given to a farmer to provide shelter for "endangered species" but aerial photos later found the habitats had been destroyed." This is according to The Express.

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

**CLAIM NUMBER BVIHPB** 

In the Estate of Sidney Hendricks late of Jost Van Dyke, British Virgin Islands, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by LARINA JACOBS LAMOTHE of Huntums Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands for a Grant of Probate of the above named deceased who died on the 7th day of March 2010 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 22nd day of March, 1996 wherein the applicant is named the sole executor.

**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 27th day of January, 2020.

Filed by Maximea & Co. Law Chambers Legal Practitioners for the Executrix 2nd Floor, Glancina George Building Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands Tel: 1 284 494 6623, 494 2366 whose address for service is the same.

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

#### IN THE ESTATE OF NIGEL HOWARD HUTCHINGS DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by A N N E - FRANÇOISE HUTCHINGS of Avenue de Béthusy

42, 1012 Lausanne, Switzerland the intended Administrator of the Estate of the deceased who died on the 15th day of September 2020, domiciled in Switzerland 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 NIGEL HOWARD HUTCHINGS , deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said ANNE- FRANÇOISE HUTCHINGS 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 11th day of February, 2021

HARNEY WESTWOOD & RIEGELS LP Solicitors for the Intended Administrator

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

BVIHPB No. 2021/0021

IN THE ESTATE OF LAM CHOON SEN DAVID @ LAM KWOK KWONG (NRIC No. S0625917J), LATE OF 118, ENG NEO AVENUE, SINGAPORE, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by,

- 1. Liew Yat Fang (NRIC No. S1333348C), of 118, Eng Neo Avenue, Singapore
- 2. Lam Zhi Loong (Lin Zhilong) (NRIC No. S8420448Z) of 118, Eng Neo Avenue, Singapore
- 3. Lam Zhiqun (Lin Zhiqun) (NRIC No. S8908229C) of 118, Eng Neo Avenue, Singapore
- 4. Lam Zhixiu (Lin Zhixiu) (NRIC No. S9047041H) of 118, Eng Neo Avenue, Singapore

for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on 20th June, 2020 without revoking a will bearing the date of 20th March, 2020 wherein the applicants are named executors.

Any person having an objection to the Grant of Probate to the applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2021

Filed by: Stuart Bruce Dentons Delany Legal Practitioner for the Applicants

Whose address for services is:

Dentons Delany 3rd Floor, Palm Grove House Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands Phone: 1-284-541-2260

email: stuart.bruce@dentons.com

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

#### IN THE ESTATE OF ARMIDA PONCE ENRILE SIGUION-REYNA, DECEASED

NOTICE is herby given pursuant to section 28 of the Trustee Ordinance of the Laws of the Virgin Islands Revised Edition 1991 (Cap 303) that any person having a claim against or an interest in the estate of ARMIDA PONCE ENRILE SIGUION-REYNA, late of No. 7 Tangile Road, North Forbes Park, Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines who died on the 11th day of February 2019 (the Deceased) is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his or her claim or interest to Harney Westwood & Riegelds LP of Craigmuir Chambers, P. O. Box 71, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands (Attention: Matthew Howson), the Solicitors acting for Monica Siguion Reyna Villonco, the Administrator of the Deceased's estate and to send such particulars not later than 11th day of March 2021 after which date the said Administrator will distribute estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interest of which she has had notice and will not, in respect to the property so distributed, be liable to any person of whose claim she shall not then have notice.

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### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION BY PRESCRIPTION SECTION 135 OF THE REGISTRED LAND ACT CAP 229 OF THE 1991 EDITION OF THE REVISED LANDS OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

REGISTRATION SECTION

The Registrar of Lands hereby gives NOTICE that THORNTON SMITH, PO Box 3534, Road Tortola, Virgin Islands, Legal Practitioners, on the behalf of EVETT TODMAN of Sea Cows Tortola, Virgin Islands have applied to be registered as proprietor by Prescription for the 17th Martha Thomas for Parcel 377 Block 2736B, Sea Cows Bay Registration Section; and have fi affidavit in support of her application.

- DANIEL COX, Sea Cows Bay, Tortola, As Personal Representative of the Estate of Martha Thomas (dec'd) 1/7<sup>th</sup> Share

- Martha Thomas (dee'd)

  ISAAC THOMAS and ARTHUR THOMAS, Sea Cows Bay, as Personal Representatives of the Estate of John Thomas

  HENRY THOMAS, Sea Cows Bay, Tortola

  CHRISTOPHENA THOMAS, Sea Cows Bay, Tortola

  ISAAC THOMAS, Sea Cows Bay, Tortola 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 EVETT TODMAN being registered as proprietor of the aforementioned parcel should submit proper document to the Registrar of Lands no later than 17th day of March, 2021.

Dated this 9th day of February 2021.

Natalie Stevens-George Administrative Officer (for) Chief Registrar of Lands (Ag)

Daniel Cox, Sea Cows Bay, Personal Representative of the Estate of Martha Th (deceased)

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A message from the Department of Disaster Management and Sol

### **Justice Richard Floyd Joins BVI Courts**

Seasoned judge, attorney and legal instructor His Lordship the Honourable Justice Richard Floyd has joined the Virgin Islands' bench as Head of the Criminal Division.

Justice Floyd began adjudicating matters in the Territory this week



Justice Richard Floyd

after his appointed to the Virgin Islands by the Judicial and Legal Service Commission in December.

Originally from Canada, Justice Floyd has Caribbean roots, and oversaw the development of Antigua's first dedicated Criminal Court while serving there as Criminal Division Judge.

Justice Floyd previously worked as Crown Counsel in Canada, a His Lordship the Honourable Prosecutor in Australia, and taught at Queen's University Law School in Canada. In 2016, he was recognised

as an International Fellow with the National Association of Attorneys General in Washington, DC.

Governor John Rankin, CMG said he welcomed the arrival of an internationally experienced justice to the Territory.

I know that like other courts in the region, the Virgin Islands courts are tasked with a heavy load and other challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. I trust that Justice Floyd's wealth of experience would help guide the Territory forward through this period," Governor Rankin said.

Justice Floyd was educated at the University of Ottawa, York University and attended Harvard University in the United States. He has been active in his local communities, having served on the Board of Directors for Hospice in both Canada and Antigua; as a board member for addictions and community mental health organisations; and as a long-time member of the Ontario Soccer Association.



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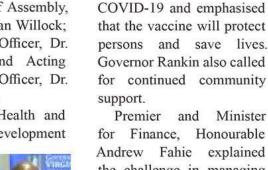
## **BVI Government Officials Receive First Dose** Of COVID-19 Vaccine



Virgin Islands British Government officials received the first dose of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine at the launching of the COVID-19 Vaccination programme.

The vaccines were administered at the Dr. D Orlando Smith Hospital Fourth District, Honourable Mark Vanterpool; Speaker of the House of Assembly, Honourable Julian Willock; Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Irad Potter; and Acting Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ronald Georges.

Minister for Health and Social Development



for Finance, Honourable Andrew Fahie explained the challenge in managing lives and livelihoods with COVID-19 but warned that the threat still exists and that persons should continue to follow protocols guided by health officials.

managed with the effects of

Premier thanked the hard working health teams and the United Kingdom for their continued support in working together to combat the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Persons can now register their interest in getting the COVID-19 vaccine visiting https:// ministryofhealth.gov.vg/ vaccine/. Completing the registration will not guarantee an appointment but the information will be reviewed by health personnel and an appointment for a later date will be arranged.

The COVID-19 Vaccination Programme has taken a comprehensive phased approach that will focus on frontline workers including

health care workers, police, customs, immigration, and fire department officers over the next week and a half. Additional groups of frontline workers, elderly persons, and those with chronic diseases

and most at risk will also be

accommodated.

For more information on COVID-19 response or the COVID-19 Vaccine, persons can also email covid19vaccine@gov.vg or call 468-2286 or 468-2287.









Chapel during a live press conference today.

Officials who received the first dose were the Minister for Health and Social Development, Honourable Carvin Malone; His Excellency the Governor John Rankin; Minister for Natural Resources, Labour and Immigration and Ninth District Representative, Honourable Vincent Wheatley; Leader of Her Majesty's Opposition and Representative of the Eighth District, Honourable Marlon Penn; Representative for the

Honourable Carvin Malone stated that the Government of the Virgin Islands and residents have made many sacrifices in keeping the Territory safe as COVID-19 continues to affect countries around the world.

Honourable Malone highlighted that the first phase of the COVID-19 vaccination programme would focus on private and public health professionals frontline workers starting on February 12.

Governor John Rankin remarked on how well

## Impeachment Prosecutor: Trump Was 'Inciter in Chief'

WASHINGTON - VOA - Prosecutors at former U.S. President Donald Trump's Senate impeachment trial began to lay out their case against him on Wednesday, saying he was "no innocent bystander" to the violence that erupted at the U.S. Capitol last month as lawmakers certified Democrat Joe Biden's victory in the November election.

Congressman Jamie Raskin, the lead impeachment manager, and other Democratic lawmakers said Trump laid the groundwork for the storming of the Capitol over a period of weeks leading up to the election with dozens of unfounded claims that the only way he could lose was if the election was rigged against him.

Raskin contended that Trump, by urging hundreds of his supporters to "fight like hell" in confronting lawmakers at the Capitol on January 6, ignited the mayhem that left five people dead, including a Capitol Police officer.

"He incited this attack," Raskin told the 100-member Senate that will decide whether Trump should be convicted of a single article of impeachment brought by the House of Representatives. It accuses him of "incitement of insurrection."

"He clearly surrendered his role as commander in chief and became the inciter in chief," Raskin argued. He contended that Trump, now out of office after his four-year term ended and Biden was inaugurated January 20, "was singularly responsible" in exhorting his supporters to try to upend Biden's victory.

Hundreds of his supporters – perhaps about 800, according to law enforcement authorities – rampaged through the Capitol, breaking windows, bashing doors, ransacking some congressional offices and scuffling with police. Dozens of the rioters, many of whom bragged on social media about storming into the two chambers of Congress, have been charged with criminal offenses as the investigation of the chaos continues.

The House impeachment managers showed dozens of Twitter comments and video clips in which Trump claimed election fraud and urged his supporters to show up in Washington January 6 as Congress met to certify the 306-232 Electoral College vote favoring Biden.

"Will be wild!" Trump tweeted.

After nearly four hours of mayhem, lawmakers certified the Biden victory in the middle of the night early on January 7, making Trump the fifth U.S. president in the country's history to be defeated after a single term in office.

Now, Raskin said, in 2021 the usually routine certification of U.S. presidential election results will be remembered as "a day that will live in disgrace."

Congressman Joe Neguse, another House impeachment manager, said that in rallying supporters before the storming of the Capitol complex, Trump "wanted to stop the transfer of power even though he had lost the election."

of power even though he had lost the election."
"This attack was provoked by the president," Neguse said. "It was predictable and foreseeable. He had the power to stop it and he didn't."

Delegate Stacey Plaskett of the U.S.



Virgin Islands, another House impeachment manager, said the rioters "were doing the duty of their president. He knew of the violence they were capable of."

Congresswoman Madeleine Dean of Pennsylvania contended that Trump was "desperate to retain power by any means possible." She said Trump told the protesters "exactly what he wanted them to do."

Dean quoted from Trump's speech to his supporters at a rally near the White House where he told them, "We will never give up. We will never concede."

The House impeachment managers have up to 16 hours over Wednesday and Thursday to make their case before Trump's lawyers get an equal amount of time.

Trump's lawyers say that he bears no responsibility for the attack on the Capitol, a worldwide symbol of American democracy.

Instead, they say that Trump's rhetoric amounted to normal political discourse and was protected by the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech.

The Senate voted 56-44 on Tuesday to move ahead with the trial, rejecting Trump's claim that it was unconstitutional to try him on impeachment charges since he has already left office.

Raskin said Tuesday that not holding the trial would create a "dangerous" new "January exception" during which future U.S. presidents could act with impunity in their final weeks in office.

"It's an invitation to the president to take his best shot at anything he may want to do on his way out the door," Raskin said.

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The Democrats showed the Senate a dramatic video montage establishing a timeline of the chaotic events on January 6.

Trump lawyer Bruce Castor Jr. rejected the notion of a "January exception" in which future presidents would be immune as "nonsense." He said that if Trump committed any offenses, "arrest him," now that he is a private citizen and no longer immune from prosecution.

Castor quoted the Constitution saying that conviction on impeachment charges "shall not extend further than removal from office," an impossibility since Trump's term has already ended.

The 56-44 vote to proceed with the trial, in which six Republicans joined all 50 Democrats, showed that Trump remains likely to be acquitted. A two-thirds majority is needed to convict Trump, meaning 17 Republicans would have to vote with the Democrats.

Whatever the outcome, Trump is the only U.S. president to be impeached twice.

Trump declined Democrats' offer to testify in his defense and is not expected to attend the trial. The high-profile proceeding, broadcast across the country, could last a week or longer.

# UK COVID Variant Will Likely 'Sweep the World,' British Scientist Warns

LONDON - VOA - A British scientist says the coronavirus variant first discovered in that country late last year has "swept the country" and will "sweep the world in all probability."

Sharon Peacock, the head of the COVID-19 Genomics U.K. consortium, made the prediction Wednesday during an interview with the BBC.

The more transmissible strain was first detected in the southern British county of Kent back in September, and has since been identified in more than 50 countries, including the United States.

The COVID-19 Genomics U.K. consortium tracks the genetic mutations of the novel coronavirus. Peacock said the newly developed vaccines are effective against the current mutations, but she warned that scientists will be tracking new mutations at least for the next decade until the virus "mutates itself out of being virulent."

A new study suggests an inhaled steroid commonly used to treat asthma symptoms appears to reduce the need to hospitalize someone infected with COVID-19.

Scientists at Britain's Oxford University conducted a month-long study of 146 patients with early symptoms of the novel coronavirus. Half of the patients were administered an inhaler containing

LONDON - VOA - A British scientist says budesonide, while the other patients e coronavirus variant first discovered in received the usual care.

The scientists discovered the majority of patients given budesonide not only avoided hospitalization, but also recovered faster and had fewer lingering symptoms.

The study, which has not been peer reviewed, was launched after researchers discovered that patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, or COPD, were significantly underrepresented among hospitalized COVID-19 patients in the early days of the pandemic.

The heads of the World Health Organization and the U.N. Children's Fund are appealing for scaled-up COVID-19 vaccine production and equitable distribution, warning that the global rollout is dangerously uneven.

"Of the 128 million vaccine doses administered so far, more than three quarters of those vaccinations are in just 10 countries that account for 60% of global GDP," said WHO chief Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus and UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore in a joint statement on Wednesday. "As of today, almost 130 countries, with 2.5 billion people, are yet to administer a single dose."

If this continues, they warn, it "will cost lives and livelihoods," and create



conditions for the virus to mutate and become resistant to vaccines. Global economic recovery will also be slowed.

The officials urged governments to look "beyond their borders" and devise a vaccine strategy that will both end the pandemic and limit the emergence of new variants.

They recommend immunizing frontline health workers and vulnerable persons in all countries first. The WHO and UNICEF chiefs also appealed to vaccine manufacturers to allocate their limited supply fairly and transfer technology to other producers that can help boost the global supply.

"COVID-19 has shown that our fates are inextricably linked," they said. "Whether we win or lose, we will do so together.

#### Race to vaccinate

Also on Wednesday, the WHO's Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization issued interim guidance recommending the AstraZeneca and Oxford University COVID-19 vaccine for persons over age 65.

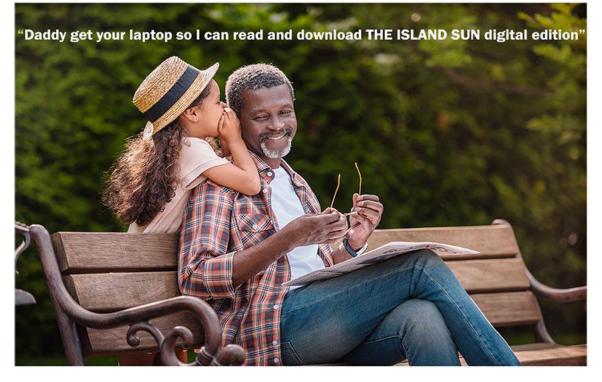
Several European countries, including Germany and France, have limited use of it to people between ages 18 and 64 because of insufficient data on elderly recipients.

The WHO experts said based on ongoing trials and vaccine effectiveness studies in countries that are using the AstraZeneca vaccine, it appears safe and effective for the older age group.

They also recommend an interval of 8 to 12 weeks between the two doses.

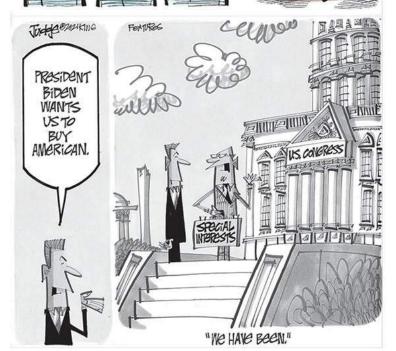
South Korea approved the AstraZeneca vaccine for emergency use for all adults starting Feb. 26. But the announcement, made before the WHO recommendation was released, issued a precautionary warning for persons over aged 65.

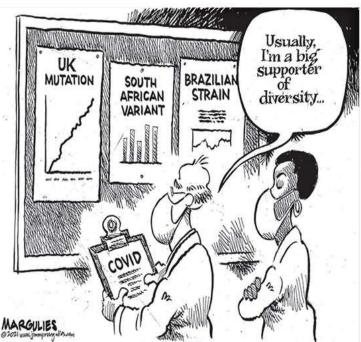
On Sunday, South Africa raised doubts about the AstraZeneca vaccine when it suspended its vaccination campaign after a new study revealed it to be less effective against a variant of the virus found in South Africa.



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by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD - "The Social Network" Oscar-winning director/ screenwriter Aaron Sorkin is helming a new Amazon film about Lucy and Desi (from his screenplay). It takes place during a production meeting of "I Love Lucy" when both faced a crisis that could end their careers and marriage. riage. Oscar-winner Cate Blanchett was first choice as Lucy, but when she bowed out, Sorkin cast Oscar-winners Nicole Kidman and Javier Bardem to play Lucy and Desi.

While everyone loves Nicole, when she took on Elizabeth Montgomery's "Bewitched" role in the 2005 film reboot (which also starred Will Farrell, Shirley MacLaine, Michael Caine and Kristin Chenoweth), it flopped, costing \$85 million while grossing just \$131 million. Written and directed by the late Nora Efron (of "When Harry Met Sally," "Sleepless in Seattle" and "You've Got Mail"), critics said "Bewitched" "was haunted by scattered laughs and a lack of direction."

Of note: Lucy was 43 and Desi 40 when they did "I Love Lucy" in 1951, and Nicole is 53 and Javier 51. Maybe for insurance, two of the executive producers Sorkin hired are Lucy's children, Lucie and Desi Arnaz.

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When the pandemic is done, will movie fans return to theaters? "Earnings are down more than 80% from previous years, making this the worst year in three decades," according to the market-research firm Statista. Streaming services proved with "Roma," "The Irishman," "Trolls World Tour," "The Invisible Man" and, just recently, "Wonder Woman 1984" that opening films on streaming services and theaters at the same time works well.

In the 1960s studios fought TVs popularity with Cinemascope, etc.; in the '90s they used IMAX and 3D. Now streaming services are offering staggering sums, such as Amazon's \$200 million bid for the Chris Pratt starrer



Nick Jonas

"The Tomorrow War." Theaters need to come up with something spectacular to put the genie back in the bottle.

Two of the Jonas Brothers are having quite a competition. Nick (28) scored big with the two "Jumanji" sequels and "Midway," and he has completed the post-apocalyptic thriller "Chaos Walking," with Daisy Ridley and Tom Holland, due March 5. Nick is now shooting "The Blacksmith" with Laurence Fishburne and doing his second season as a "Voice" coach.

Joe, 31, who's done a lot of voice work, including the Kraken in "Hotel Transylvania 3," has been cast in the war film "Devotion," playing a fighter pilot. But Nick is one up, having been tapped to play Frankie Valli in the Disney remake of "The Jersey Boys," despite Clint Eastwood's 2014 "Jersey Boys" being less than a success. It's being directed by "Bohemian Rhapsody's" Graham King. No matter who wins, the whole town's talking about the Jonas boys!

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OK, LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT. YOUR ARGUMENT FOR THIS BEING A GOOD MOVIE IS IT HAS A "HIGH BODY COUNT"?

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Just Like Cats & Dogs





'I haven't heard that line since I used it

#### LAFF-A-DAY



"Gentlemen, let's not come to a hasty verdict. This is the first vacation from housework I've had in fifteen years!

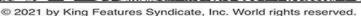
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... Although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools...

ROMANS 1: 21, 22

"The Three Kings" by Karl Schmidt-Rottluff (1917)







## The Americas surpasses one million deaths from COVID-19

"The weight of this loss is incalculable," **PAHO Director says** 

Washington, D.C., (PAHO) - "Today, we mark another tragic milestone in our region: over one million people in the Americas have now died from complications of COVID-19. We've lost more people to this virus than the entire population of many cities," Pan American Health Organization Director Carissa F. Etienne said today.

Speaking at a press briefing, she said "the weight of this loss is incalculable," noting that over 44 million people in the Americas have now been infected with COVID-19, including more than two million in the last week.

"One million people with hopes, dreams and a future cut short. One million mourning families - many unable to say goodbye - who will feel their absence forever. The scars and the lessons of this pandemic will stay with us," Etienne said.

The COVID-19 pandemic "has brought a triple crisis throughout our region as it has ravaged our health systems, fractured our social protection, and destabilized our economies. The loss of one million people from this virus should serve as an urgent call that we must do more to protect ourselves and each other from getting sick. This includes strong calls to action to reinforce the public health measures that are needed now in each of the places that are seeing outbreaks," Etienne said.

heroes who have cared for every patient that has been hospitalized for this virus," the PAHO Director said, "Many have risked their own lives and those of their families to care for those who are sick, and their heroic efforts have saved many COVID patients."

Etienne added, "Although there's limited data, we know that more than a million health workers in our region have become sick with COVID-19 and at least 4,000 - most of them women - have died as a result, affecting our ability to respond to this public health threat. Each of these people has a face, a name and

She recognized one of the many health workers as an example of those lost, Dr Rosemary Costa Pinto, who headed the leading public health agency in the Brazilian state of Amazonas. "Today, we celebrate her life and we thank the millions of health workers still on the frontlines of this virus, who are saving lives every day. Their countless sacrifices will not be forgotten," Etienne said.

The PAHO Director outlined the course of the pandemic in North America, with the highest number of cases and growing pressure on hospital capacity, and in the Caribbean, where some smaller countries are seeing a rapid acceleration of cases.

"By contrast, most countries in Central America - except for Honduras and Guatemala - are seeing a decrease in COVID-19 infections over the previous week," Etienne said. In South Calling health workers in the region "our America, "while hospitalizations are on the

rise throughout much of the region, including in Colombia, Chile and Peru, the situation in Brazil is particularly worrisome," she added.

The pandemic of COVID-19 "has ushered in a mental health crisis, as we've been shaken by fear, depression, isolation, and loss that is made especially acute as we mark this grim milestone, Etienne said, noting that 29 countries have reported disruptions in mental health services.

Etienne also highlighted the economic impact of the pandemic, "Today, 16 million more people are living in poverty, compared to when the pandemic started and millions of others are at risk of falling deeper into poverty in the wake of this virus." Rising food prices also place millions of people at risk of going hungry, she added.

As COVID vaccines are rolled out over the coming months, we need health systems to track vaccinations and prioritize those most at risk of severe illness, like the elderly and our health workers so we can reduce demand on our hospitals. "We owe a great debt to our frontline health workers, so I've been pleased to see that in countries where vaccinations are underway, doses are being prioritized for health workers, with similar plans across other countries that will roll out vaccines soon.

Broad access to vaccines represents our way out of this pandemic, but while supplies are limited, we need to focus on preventing new infections now to keep the virus under control," Etienne sad.

Micronutrients, such as vitamins D and C and zinc, are critical for a well-functioning immune system and play a vital role in promoting health and nutritional wellbeing.

There is currently no guidance on the use of micronutrient supplements as a treatment of COVID-19. WHO is coordinating efforts to develop and evaluate medicines to treat COVID-19.

**FACT:** Vitamin and mineral supplements cannot cure COVID-19





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