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# PEOPLE SMUGGLING & BORDER BREACHES RAISE QUESTIONS

The current urgency of border protection following reports of people smuggling and border breaches has caused rumors that the authorities quickly rushed to deny, and a disclosure that resulted in Premier Hon. Andrew Fahie criticizing His Excellency Governor Augustus Jaspert's decision to make certain things public.

The criticism the Premier heaped on the Governor came following a public announcement the Her Majesty's Representative made on 25 August. During his announcement, His Excellency alluded to the breaching situation. He stated, "people have rightly expressed concern about the small number of individuals who are not following the rules and concerns about our border security."

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# PEOPLE SMUGGLING & BORDER BREACHES...

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"As we impose restrictions internally and have strict measures in place for people travelling through the legitimate routes into the Territory, we must ensure that our borders are secure and that people comply with the required measures."

The comment that later caused the Premier to retort sternly was the Governor's mention of discussions that were held by The National Security Council. The Governor during his speech said, "The National Security Council is meeting later today; there was a previous offer from the UK to help to bolster the Territory's border security in the early days of Covid-19. That offer was not supported at the time. I will be discussing with the National Security Council what support

might now be needed and will update in due course."

Hours later during a press conference Hon. Andrew Fahie rebuked the decision to make such a revelation. The BVI Leader said, "First of all I am disappointed to know that it reached the public domain in the manner that it reached because this is not a time for persons to be pulling aside, it is a time for unity."

"It is a breach of confidence to say who said what and who disagreed with what... Because of the implications of what has been put in the public's domain, I am now forced to voice the deliberations of the NSC, but I will do my best not to compound the damage that has already been done by the statements that were made."

Further, the Premier complained that there seemed to be an agenda to inject UK military personnel

into the Territory, "There was some discussion about military support, and I must say here that the UK and its agencies seem to be itching to put military personnel in the jurisdiction whether on the sea or on the land. That was the one offer on the table."

Additionally Hon. Fahie said that it was felt that this was an opportunity for the Territory's security personnel to get a valuable experience: "It is on this basis and the confidence in our personnel here in the VI it was felt that military was not the way to go and we decided on many measures that we would exercise first, and we have exercised our options, and we have done pretty well," Hon. Fahie added.

## **Border Breach Conspiracy**

In recent days there were rumors that border security officers allegedly participated

in the reported smuggling. However, the government responded and this announcement was labelled as 'fake news'. Moreover, during his press conference on 25 August, Premier Fahie sternly refuted the rumor and stated, "We have to run the country on facts! What I can tell persons is that there is a new protocol in place to make sure that officers are not comfortable in one environment for too long."

Meanwhile, Commissioner of Customs Wade Smith during the same press conference said, "the matter is under investigation."

On another note, the Premier announced that the 24-hour border security that is being carried out by Her Majesty's Customs and the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force successfully foiled an attempt to breach the Territory's borders.

Further, the BVI Leader said that there is an arrangement with the US Virgin Islands for border patrol on both sides.



# Ponzi Schemes Target BVI Faith-Based Community

Allegations of Ponzi and pyramid schemes operating here in the British Virgin Islands sent BVI Finance into heightened public education mode to rid the BVI of such schemes. The most prominent of the efforts materialised in the form of a BVI Finance - Money Matters E-Forum held on 23 August on the internet.

The panel included various financial experts and in her explanation of why such schemes are given momentum CEO of BVI Finance, Elise Donovan used the example of schemers that target religious persons and craft their pitch

to convincingly sound faith-based.

This scam message - Donovan explained - is, unfortunately, appealing to many persons, "I think we are very much a faith-based community and we believe in receiving our blessings... and blessing by definition is receiving favour and a gift from God...It's not the same as for example, if you are in the church and sowing a seed... that if you sow a seed you are going to reap blessings, multiply... it's not the same, but because we are using the same terminology that we are using in church,

whether it is a blessing loom or a blessing circle, things are very familiar to us," the BVI Finance CEO said.

During the panel discussion Broderick Penn, the Director of Enforcement at the BVI Financial Services Commission, debunked the belief that some may have that by participating in these quick money offerings they are investing. He explained, "You are not an investor if you are putting your money into a pyramid scheme."

Clarence Faulkner Founder and Managing Director of Pension Management

Interactive, INC pointed out that ordinary hard-working individuals are usually targeted for these schemes: "With these types of structures individuals are using their salaries any form of income to put into something hoping to receive something," Faulkner explained.

The same point on the types of people targeted by such schemes was elaborated on by Dwayne Thomas the Deputy Director of BVI Financial Investigation Agency as he stated that many of the investors never receive anything in return. "These types of persons who

are putting their money into these types of schemes I would have to consider them overly risky; because there is nothing being given showing that they have invested anything. Your money is held by the scheme perpetrator and that person then passes that money to persons at the top level of the scheme."

"Monies come in but it trickles up, as more persons come in below those persons, those persons are more likely to lose their funds unless they can get more persons to come in under themselves," Thomas added.

# Fried Chicken Smuggling Criticised

There are many Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) lovers in the Territory and over the years these persons have been known to travel to the US Virgin Islands just to buy that particular fast food item. The closure of the border from March created a craving and a few enterprising seafarers decided to offer a service providing KFC. However, this chicken trade is being flagged as a breach of the Territory's effort to keep the BVI COVID-19 free.

The concern was shared by Commissioner of Police Michael Matthews during his interview with JTV news on 25 August. In chiding the KFC entrepreneurs Matthews said, "When you see adverts by our ferry companies, for example, saying hey, we'll get you Kentucky Fried Chicken whilst we are in St Thomas, what does that tell you about social responsibility. Why would you be offering to add a service that might risk somebody going on to land and collecting an

additional item, that really isn't an essential here?"

The Top Cop described these ventures as daring not because they venture freely into an area with known COVID cases, but because their entrepreneurs boldly advertise their service on social media. In condemning this alleged boldness the Commissioner said, "these people are blatant, they put it out on social media with numbers saying call us and we'll go shopping for

you in St. Thomas... when it is not authorised to do that, and frankly, some of those people are going to find themselves facing the magistrate as a result of those actions," he said.

The Commissioner has been frequently addressing the public about COVID-19 matters. Previously he made a plea in the form of a public service announcement that was released on 21 August. That announcement became timely and by Monday it

was announced that the Territory had gone into a situation where there were actual COVID-19 clusters.

Noting that the borders and the alleged smuggling is a threat to the BVI's efforts to stem the corona virus the Police Commissioner declared: "It has become obvious, that a very small minority of people are still intent on trying to smuggle goods or persons backwards or forward into the Territory from locations outside, particularly the US.

# COVID Emergency Causes Return To Online Learning

In normal times students across the Territory would have been preparing for the new school year, but because of the COVID 19 global pandemic Minister for Education, Culture, Dr. The Hon. Natalio D. Wheatley announced that another unconventional year of learning is ahead for BVI students.

During his Territorial address on 25 August Hon. Wheatley reported that although many parents were hoping traditional schooling would recommence the Ministry has decided not

to allow this. The Minister in explaining the reason for the decision noted that the fluidity of this COVID 19 situation is a problem.

Hon. Wheatley explained that following Cabinet's previous decision, he intended to deliver a statement last week on the opening of schools. "However, soon after, I received news from the Minister for Health that we had an additional case. Since that time, we have had several positive COVID-19 cases with a total of 17 presently active."

Hon. Wheatley explained that the need for safety as it relates to BVI students is supported by facts and findings as he stated that alarmingly some of the recently discovered cases of COVID 19 in the Territory included school aged children. Based on such dramatic findings the Minister of Education said that non-traditional schooling is being mulled: "In light of this extremely serious reality, I cannot in good conscience proceed with the plan to reopen schools to face instruction. This will place

administrators, teachers, support staff, and, our most precious resource, and our children all at risk."

The majority of the last school year featured online learning and Hon. Wheatley said that he knows that because of more regular traditional methods of instruction is being craved and many have criticized the Ministry for not making this possible: "I am aware of the fact that many are yearning for the return to the classroom, and I have received criticism from many who are advocating the opening of the Territory,

but we must prioritize the health of our children and our people above all other considerations."

Therefore, the Minister said that the schools will return to online learning for the rest of the year. "This includes all public schools and private schools, and our primary, secondary, and tertiary learning institutions. Cabinet will reevaluate the situation in the coming weeks and months to determine when it will be safe to return to the classroom. Until then we will continue to rely on the use of technology."



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# Bvi Supports Regional Cooperation Across Wider Caribbean

*By BVI Government*

The British Virgin Islands continues to support regional cooperation in the wider Caribbean, despite the challenges posed by Covid-19.

On 14th August, Special Envoy of the Premier Mr. Benito Wheatley, attended virtual meetings of the standing committees of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS) where participants discussed progress

on implementation of the regional body's Triennial Plan of Action (2019-2021), against the backdrop of the coronavirus pandemic.

The Special Envoy participated in the meeting of the Caribbean Sea Commission whose primary objectives are to ensure the sustainability of the Caribbean Sea and achieve its recognition as a special zone for Sustainable Development recognised

by the United Nations (UN). He also participated in the Special Committee on Sustainable Tourism that is working to establish a Sustainable Tourism Zone of the Greater Caribbean (STZC).

Commenting on the ACS meetings, Mr. Wheatley said, "Premier Hon. Andrew A. Fahie made a commitment to regional cooperation at the ACS Heads of Government Summit

in 2019 in Nicaragua. BVI Government has followed up on this commitment through engagement and participation in the ACS, among other things. The BVI and our ACS partners have a shared interest in ensuring the economic and environmental sustainability of the Caribbean, particularly in the face of Covid-19 and climate change. We will continue to engage on the regional agenda via ACS and contribute

in any way we can to the implementation of the Triennial Plan of Action."

The BVI joined the Association of Caribbean States in 2018 as an Associate Member. The membership of the regional body includes the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean connected to the Caribbean Basin, as well as several Observer Countries and institutions.

## US Virgin Islands "Puts Brakes" on Tourism for At Least One Month

The US Virgin Islands is "putting the brakes" on tourism, closing its doors to leisure visitors beginning Aug. 19 for a period of at least one month.

US Virgin Islands Governor Albert Bryan Jr announced the move, reverting the territory to a "Stay-at-Home" phase of its COVID-19 response for the next two weeks.

"The recent infiltration of the virus into our residential institutions that house vulnerable members of our population creates an alarming level of risk," the Governor said. "This adds to the stress of the ongoing pandemic response that seemingly has no end in sight and is wearing out

our health care and public safety infrastructure."

Effective immediately, all hotels, villas, Airbnb accommodations and guest houses, charter vessels and similar businesses have been ordered not to accept or book any new reservations for a month.

Reservations are only being accepted for business travelers, flight crews, emergency personnel and government workers with written authorization from the government agency they are visiting.

Beginning Aug. 17 through Aug. 31, all restaurants can only offer takeout, delivery or drive-through, with all bars,

nightclubs and cabarets closed.

"We appreciate the concerns of our tourism partners and stakeholders, however, with the recent spike in cases we are seeing, especially in the St. Thomas-St. John district, we must reset, take stock, safeguard human life, and prepare for restarting our tourism economy at a later date," said Commissioner of Tourism Joseph Boschulte, as he spoke about the "difficult but necessary decision."

All visitors or residents with tourism questions should contact [info@usviupdate.com](mailto:info@usviupdate.com) or call (800) 372-USVI (8784).

— CJ

## Gaming And Betting Control Act Gazetted For Public Information

The Cabinet Office is notifying the public that Act No. 14 – The Virgin Islands Gaming and Betting Control Act, 2020 is now available on the Virgin Islands Official Gazette website at <https://eservices.gov.vg/gazette/>. The Act was published in an extraordinary issue of the Gazette No. 109 dated 20th August, 2020.

This Act seeks to provide for the establishment of the Gaming and Betting

Control Commission ("the Commission") for the purpose of regulating the Gaming and Betting Sectors which are, both on a global and national level, vulnerable to infiltration by money launderers and terrorist financing.

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## The UWI Open Campus and CCRIF SPC Successfully Delivered Disaster

Risk Financing Train-the-Trainer Workshop Continuing and Professional Education Centre. Tuesday, August 25, 2020 — The UWI Open Campus and CCRIF SPC (formerly the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility) successfully delivered a train-the-trainer workshop on a new course

to be offered at the University, “Disaster Risk Financing for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (SIDS).”

Eighteen lecturers from four of the five UWI campuses across the region with expertise in disaster risk management, finance, education, insurance

and other related fields participated in this five-day training workshop conducted over five weeks, which totalled 25 hours of instruction. Each participant will be awarded a UWI Open Campus Certificate of Participation with two Continuing Education Units or CEUs.

CEUs are an internationally recognized system of merit for persons pursuing Continuing and Professional Education.

CCRIF CEO, Mr. Isaac Anthony, who provided the welcome and opening remarks to participants, outlined the context in which the workshop was being offered. The workshop was an initiative birthed out of the long-standing collaborative arrangement between The UWI and CCRIF SPC, dating back to 2010. This partnership was expanded through a new memorandum of understanding signed in March 2020 which formalized collaboration between the two organizations in the areas of disaster risk management, including modelling and disaster risk financing, climate change adaptation and importantly research and capacity building towards creating a cadre of individuals who can effectively support the development priorities of countries in the region.

The workshop sessions were facilitated by subject matter experts from the CCRIF SPC team led by Dr. Michael Spranger, CCRIF’s Chief Risk Management Officer and Ms. Elizabeth Emanuel, Head of the Technical Assistance and Corporate Communications Team.

Participants engaged in lectures and discussions centred on topics including, among others, the impact of natural hazards in the Caribbean; disaster risk financing; disaster risk financing instruments such as CCRIF SPC’s parametric insurance, Cat

DDOs, and contingent credit facilities; an in-depth analysis of CCRIF’s models and policies, as well as country risk profiles; and an introduction to CCRIF’s WeMap hazard monitoring and forecasting tools.

Participants expressed their appreciation of the new content that was shared. One participant indicated: “The technical content was explained in an understandable manner. The products and underlying inputs and considerations are very clear. Managers in the public sector should have a proper understanding of what the products provide, the underlying factors and the benefits re management of public sector risks. I highly recommend this course for students in public policy/public sector management.”

The training of these academic professionals was conducted to facilitate the upcoming collaboration between The UWI Open Campus and CCRIF SPC to offer a Continuing and Professional Education (CPE) Certificate course in Disaster Risk Financing for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Participants of this course will have the unique opportunity to apply for a scholarship to cover the costs of the course as CCRIF has contributed US\$11,000 to cover enrolment costs.

Follow The UWI Open Campus’ Facebook Page to stay in the loop and be notified when this course becomes available [www.facebook.com/uwiopencampuscaribbean](http://www.facebook.com/uwiopencampuscaribbean).



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	HONESTLY SPEAKING	5 – 6PM
WEDNESDAYS	LIVING WELL 24/7	9 – 9:30AM
	HOT SEAT RE-VISITED 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	8 – 9:30PM
	DYAS VOICE (Sports) 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	7 -8PM
THURSDAYS	UMOJA	8 – 9:30PM
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# Special Category To Submit Applications Before Entry To The BVI

The Cabinet of the Virgin Islands has given the approval for a special category of persons to enter the Territory from August 15 providing that applications are submitted to the ministers for Immigration and Health for approval.

The special category includes dependents such as spouses and children of Belongers, Permanent Residents, work permit holders and work permit exemption holders.

Premier and Minister of Finance said in his COVID-19 Update Phase 2 that the special category also include

persons employed by the Government of the Virgin Islands and its Statutory Bodies, Agencies and Boards; teachers (public and private) and persons who departed the Territory for medical purposes and those who accompanied those persons.

The Premier said applications are to be submitted by these persons to both ministers before they are allowed to enter the Territory. All other category of persons must apply from September 1.

Meanwhile, Acting Chief



*Acting Chief Immigration Officer Mr. Ian Penn (Photo credit: GIS)*

Immigration Officer Mr. Ian Penn said the department has been getting an increased amount of applications that

are not accompanied by the approval letters from the ministers of Labour and Health.

Mr. Penn said, "I would like to inform the persons seeking to enter the Territory before September 1 that their applications will not be processed unless they get the required approval from both ministers. Those persons that applied to the Immigration Department without the approval will be processed on Sept 1 when that prerequisite approval from the ministers is no

longer needed."

The Immigration Department continues to contribute to the security and prosperity in building a stronger and better BVI, by operating a fair but firm immigration control that regulates and facilitates the movement of people through BVI borders while exercising sound judgment in the performance of its duties and ensuring that it responds to the needs of its customers in an efficient, effective and courteous manner in accordance with B.V.I. immigration laws.

## Statement By The Director Of The National Parks Trust Dr. Cassander Titley-O'Neal On The National Parks Trust Of The Virgin Islands

**ON THE NATIONAL PARKS TRUST OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS THURSDAY, 27th AUGUST, 2020**

Good day to you the people of these beautiful Virgin Islands.

There has been misinformation circulating about the National Parks Trust of the Virgin Islands that sends the wrong message. As the Director, I wish to clarify and give some context on the situation.

As a Territory, we have all been in the fight against COVID-19 together from late March to date, and we will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The Trust and the Board recognises the value of its employees and their invaluable contributions to the operations of the Trust, especially in this time of

uncertainty and constant change.

I will give some clarification on the recent stories in the media about the National Parks Trust of the Virgin Islands. The imposition of Curfew (No.28) Order 2020 that went into effect on Wednesday August 26, there is a list of approved businesses and essential services that are allowed to operate. Moreover, that list is going to be reviewed and revised over the 14 day curfew period in the first instance.

The National Parks Trust of the Virgin Islands is a Statutory Body with a Board of Directors that generates its own finances and is heavily

dependent on tourism and the marine industry. Unfortunately, both sectors, like many areas of our economy, are and continue to be affected by COVID-19. As such, the Trust like many other entities, will have to find creative ways to adjust moving forward.

As the Trust was not on the approved list to operate during the first 7 days of the curfew and the majority of our employees work outdoors,

One of the creative ways in which the Trust suggested to the staff, that would not be able to report physically to our offices or parks was to use their vacation or paid time off to compensate for the fact the Trust could not afford to pay them to stay at home.

In this time of uncertainty, that decision was made by the Trust as a way to keep all the staff employed. The Trust and the Board are, and will

continue, to be committed to the people of this Territory as we aim to keep all employees employed for as long as possible, while we try to find new streams of revenue.

In conclusion, I want to assure the public that the Trust and the Board are doing everything in their power to safeguard the lives and livelihoods of its employees and our 22 parks for the people of this country now and for future generations.

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and safety protocols at our port cargo ports. In keeping with the Government of the Virgin Islands' COVID-19 protocols and with the safety of our team, customers and stakeholders in mind,

effective August 26th 2020 the following procedures will be employed.



□ You will be required to correctly wear a face mask at all times while on port property.

□ Located at the pedestrian gate there is a sanitization station that you will be required to use before entry and during departure. Sanitization and washing stations are also located for you to use throughout the facility.

□ Maintaining a physical distance of six (6) feet from all persons for social distancing will need to be observed.

The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority in an effort to minimize face-to-face contact will be providing customers with the ability to make payments via email to [payments@bviports.org](mailto:payments@bviports.org). All submissions should include the following:

1. The completed BVIPA credit card payment authorization form, now available online at [bviports.org](http://bviports.org).

2. A legible, scanned, approved and paid Treasury T-12 from Her Majesty's Customs.

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Customs can be contacted via telephone at 468-9689/468-9692 or via email at [caps@gov.vg](mailto:caps@gov.vg) for assistance.

3. Invoice for goods

For those persons who do not wish to send their credit card information, you must provide a telephone contact so that you can be contacted for the payment information to complete the processing



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These documents need to be provided to allow the BVIPA to accept payment and be able to provide a receipt via email.

of the transaction via telephone or you would be required to obtain an appointment to come to the office.

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and safety protocols at our port cargo ports. In keeping with the Government of the Virgin Islands' COVID-19 protocols and with the safety of our team, customers and stakeholders in mind,

□ When visiting the Port Purcell facility there will be a limit of five (5) people allowed in the lobby at one time: three (3) by the cashier and two (2) by Her Majesty's Customs.



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# BVI Adjusts Curfew As Active COVID-19 Cases Increase To 17



**Honourable Carvin Malone**

Minister for Health and Social Development Honourable Carvin Malone announced Cabinet's decision to implement new curfew order after reporting five (5) new positive COVID-19 cases in the British Virgin Islands.

The total number of active cases now stand at 17 as Honourable Malone accounted in a statement on August 24 that the Cabinet of the Virgin Islands will impose a new curfew for a fourteen (14) day period from August 26 from 5:01p.m. to 4:59 a.m.

He stated that the first seven (7) days of the Curfew period will allow limited categories of businesses to operate which will be subjected to review. Those allowed to operate include supermarkets/minimarts (limited to two persons per vehicle to shop); approved delivery services; pharmacies/drug stores; bakeries; banks (with limited internal operations, such as, but not limited to clearing of overnight deposits services); farmers and fisheries; fuel and LPG Stations; private health care providers, subject to approval of their client list by the Minister of Health; burials, subject to approval by the Minister of

Health; essential workers as defined in Section 3 of the Labour Code; and exempted persons as listed in the current Curfew Order, except item (n).

Honourable Malone also announced visitation restrictions to Her Majesty's Prison, the Adina Donovan Home for the Elderly, Virgin Gorda Elderly Home, Rainbow Children's Home, Safe Haven Transition and other private residential facilities in an effort to suppress the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Health Minister Honourable Malone explained that the decisions made by Cabinet were done after intensive review of the Health Emergency Operations Centre COVID-19 Situation Report #23 taking into account the challenges that have arisen from activities seemingly spurred by greed; the measures required to effectively contact trace, swab and test all suspected persons; and the desire to limit the movement of all residents without a complete and total

lockdown of the Territory to allow medical teams the ability to complete their work without hindrance.

He closed his statement saying, "The Government of the Virgin Islands continues to take a comprehensive approach in our efforts to protect public health by investing millions of dollars and the best available expertise across various disciplines. As the situation evolves, we must be prepared to change course quickly based on scientific evidence. Governments and health professionals cannot do this alone. It is also important to have active participation by every member of society."

Any persons who are experiencing any symptoms related to COVID-19 are also encouraged to contact the Medical Hotline at 852-7650 to schedule an appointment for testing. Common symptoms include fever, cough, headache,

fatigue, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, muscle aches, or difficulty breathing.

The Government of the Virgin Islands remains committed to keeping the public informed of all

significant developments related to COVID-19. For more information on the Territory's COVID-19 response please visit the website [www.bvi.gov.vg/Covid-19](http://www.bvi.gov.vg/Covid-19).

## Visitation Restricted To Prison And Residential Facilities In the BVI

The public is advised of the restriction of visitation to Her Majesty's Prison, the Adina Donovan Home for the Elderly, Virgin Gorda Elderly Home, Rainbow Children's Home; Safe Haven Transition and other private residential facilities.

This restriction is to suppress the spread of COVID-19 virus among vulnerable groups. For more information, persons can visit [www.bvi.gov.vg/covid-19](http://www.bvi.gov.vg/covid-19)



### PUBLIC NOTICE VOTER REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER

The Public is hereby informed that continuous Voter Registration is ongoing and all persons who are eligible and have attained the age of eighteen (18) years or will attain the age of 18 years on or before September 3, 2020 are encouraged to register to vote. All other eligible persons are also encouraged to register to vote.

Please take note that in accordance with Section 17(1) of the Elections (Amendment) Act No. 14 of 2011; persons who have moved their place of residence and wish to transfer are encouraged to apply for a transfer on or before September 3, 2020.

#### Section 17(1)

"A registered voter who is ordinarily resident in the Territory and who moves his place of residence from within one local electoral district or polling division to another, may have his name transferred to the list of voters for the local electoral district or polling division to which he has moved, if he applies on Form No. 8 and establishes, to the satisfaction of the Supervisor of Elections, proof of residence within the local electoral district or polling division to which he has moved.

Supporting documentary evidence can be in the form of Cable, Water or Electricity bills, a rent receipt or a notarised document, stating new address.

Registration and Transfer forms are available at the Office of the Supervisor of Elections, the District Offices on Anegada and Virgin Gorda and the Government Office on Jost Van Dyke.

For further information please contact the Office of the Supervisor of Elections at 284-468-4380 or 284-468-3701 Ext. 4380 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Office is located at:

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#216 Upper Main Street  
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# COMMENTARY

## A vocationally skilled youth for a stronger Virgin Islands

By Dickson Igwe



By Dickson Igwe

August 21, 2020

The training of Virgin Islands youth for the critical hands on, and vocational skills, required by the economy and community, is not an option

There has been a lot in the news recently on the anomalies of a workforce culture that keeps on importing migrant labor to the detriment of Virgin Islands Society.

Recently, a minister and politician warned of the unsustainability of a workforce that is 70% alien. When there

is this type of imbalance, it spills over into the wider community and impacts the wider culture, mostly negatively.

When migrant labor comes from places where the culture is similar to the VI culture – Guyana, Grenada, Antigua, Anguilla Trinidad, for example- then economic migration is sustainable, albeit numbers must be strictly controlled.

However, culture sets that are vastly different from the VI type can drive division and xenophobia, especially in a tiny community. Though politically incorrect, the culture of migrants is a factor when deciding what type of migrant to welcome into a society.

Now, The fact is that 70% of Virgin Islands youth migrate to the USA and elsewhere after leaving school, to seek “better opportunities.” And, most of these youth remain in the USA permanently.

Caribbean migrants to the US are caught up in the culture type and values set of the USA. This is a culture of an endless credit and debt cycle; consume and spend

orientation; and higher taxes. After a lifetime in the USA most migrants remain “struggling,” and one paycheck removed from the debt collector.

In the USA our kids may earn vastly higher wages, but they frequently face discrimination and worse.

Feedback from a number of African migrants in the USA reveals a high level of unhappiness and dissatisfaction with life in the USA, in spite of the economic benefits. The saying is valid: money is not everything.

We all know that in the end those kids who remain in their own land for work and life will ultimately be better off. The geography and local culture is a natural cocoon, a shield and fortress, against a cold world, across the channel.

The migration of a significant percentage of the native population means the economy requires migrant labor to function as replacement labor.

The problem with this is that the learning skills in various areas of the economy, from construction

and building maintenance, to auto and culinary, maritime and landscaping, and much more are lost to VI youth for good, and the economy has to depend on migrant labor for these critical disciplines permanently. And these migrants are the beneficiaries of this precious learning in technical and vocational skills, not our own children.

The solution is obvious. It is culture change. This Writer frequently emphasizes that the most successful people economically in the islands are vocationally trained, hands on, men and women. The vast majority of jobs, careers, and businesses are in the vocations. This is a cultural and economic reality in the Virgin Islands and wider Caribbean that is not going to change anytime soon.

Consequently, it is time to reorient the learning culture. The country must build a trade school linked with a national apprenticeship program. On the board of the trade school will sit the men and women who run the local economy: the multi-millionaire

plumber and super store owner, the powerful quarry owners, the boat yard manager, the car dealers, the building contractors, the heavy equipment operators, the oil and gas company, the electricity corporation, and so on and so forth.

This is a call for the business community to collectively mentor Virgin Islands youth to build a future where our young people become the businessmen and women of tomorrow, owning and driving the economy, and job growth, for the benefit of their own country.

If the Virgin Islands as a community fails to do this most critical task in ensuring the future of our youth, through apprenticeship and commercial mentoring, and look only to the bottom line, when we all inevitably pass on, the country will be taken over by alien cultures, and our kids will become slaves in their own land.

To be forewarned is to be forearmed.

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### WITH COVID HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE; WE NEED SOLUTIONS

ACFrett - Truth for the Youth-BVP... Sat - 6pm – 7pm on CBN 90.9 FM;



#### Led to Death in Silence:

Maybe we should all be quiet while Leaders do their thing even if it kills us or maybe, we should reflect and consider what happened in the past when the only voices heard were those of Politicians and Preachers... In such a World, knowledge and privileges are limited to the chosen few and the preponderance of ignorance forms the foundation of Dictatorships and failed Societies.

And, the main reason why Trump, Hitler and other despotic leaders are able to mislead so many intelligent persons are because they command the Bully Pulpit of authority and the intent to fool us so they can rule us... When, Voices are silenced, People suffer & die needlessly and Cultures cease to exist... Slaves had no Voice - Master's Word was Law - They suffered & died.

Trump & Friends still cherish

the dream of making Slave Descendants extinct; by Bullet or Ballot – We still continue to die many deaths from Social Genocide – We are still reluctant to realize that a silent life of denial is merely a continuation of Slavery... Today, we have been educated through the struggles of our forefathers and we must function as their Messengers of enlightenment and hope.

As we bounce from crisis to crisis there is not much more I can say about this Pandemic that you cannot find in past Articles and it is unfortunate that the inevitable has happened... Reports of more Covid Cases have everyone fearful about Government's reactions; especially since we may have already exhausted our options and resources even before we had a fraction of the present cases.

We must not let Crisis beget Crisis:

The thought of our Public Hospital being locked down increases the stress and panic that our People could be denied access to Health Care... At the same time, it demonstrates the necessity for Private Sector Health Care which is still being marginalized and oppressed by the same Public Health Authorities who appear unable or unwilling to meet the needs of a people in time of Crisis.

Bear in mind, our Economy is trickle-down and everything is interconnected... We print no Money so Government is totally dependent on NHI, Social Security and Payroll Taxes which are in turn dependent on a fragile Work Force... As a consequence, Food and Health Care are endangered and replacing Need with Greed truly places us in the same boat together - at the bottom of the sea.

I certainly do not have all the

answers but in Crises the first steps are to safeguard your Resources, maintain Stability and utilize Time in preparation for worst case scenarios... I have explained this repeatedly and the willful failure to recognize inherent threats posed by Self-interest Associations along with tampering with Medical Laws during a Pandemic only serve to worsen the situation.

As the Crisis grows there will be numerous Quick Fixes and 'Hind-Sighters' so I have

no desire to repeat myself at this time when Details can always be gathered from my CBN Radio Programs and Internet Articles... Fact is, we are now in a much deeper Hole and it's no point in digging until we can assess which way is up – This is not the time to act in haste while ignoring the Consequences.

PS: I will continue addressing some of your Questions & Comments on Live BVP Radio

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## Statement by Dr. The Honourable Natalio D. Wheatley on the Reopening Of Schools

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020**

Good day and God's blessings to the people of the Virgin Islands. I come before you as Minister for Education to give you an update on the 2020-21 academic school year. The Chief Education Officer assembled a task force to come up with a plan for how teaching and learning would take place in this COVID-19 era of schooling, and I thank them for their commendable efforts in putting forward a solid plan. That plan was brought to Cabinet last week and was passed.

Following Cabinet's decision, I was scheduled to deliver a statement last week on the opening of schools. However, soon after, I received news from the Minister for Health that we had an additional case. Since that time, we have had several positive COVID-19 cases with a total of 17 presently active. Alarmingly, some of these cases are school aged children. Equally concerning is the fact that these positive cases were socially active and frequented crowded, festive social gatherings.

In light of this extremely serious reality, I cannot in good conscience proceed with the plan to reopen schools to face to face instruction. This will place administrators, teachers, support staff, and, our most precious resource, our children all at risk. I am aware of the fact that many are yearning for the return to the classroom, and I have received criticism from many who are advocating for opening the Territory up, but we must prioritize the health of our children and our people above all other considerations.

Therefore, we will return to

online learning for the rest of the year. This includes all public schools and private schools, and our primary, secondary, and tertiary learning institutions. Cabinet will reevaluate in the coming weeks and months to determine when it will be safe to return to the classroom. Until then we will continue to rely on the use of technology.

For private schools, classes begin as early as next Monday, 31st August 2020, and we will be providing orientation and training specifically for the educators, parents, students and support staff members of these institutions. The sessions begin on 1st September, 2020 with a focus on the online platforms, specifically, in the areas of Power School, the VIDE textbooks full usage, and Google classroom for assessment, evaluations and lesson planning.

On 7th September, as Minister, I will speak to all educators as I outline my strategic direction for the school year and declare the official school year opened. This will be followed by a Professional Day for Educators. The rest of that week will be used for Professional Development Planning and Preparation for the new school year. During the week of the 14th – 18th September, we will be conducting our Kindergarten Readiness Assessment and our Student Orientation, and on 21st September classes will begin for all public schools.

The training and preparation for the upcoming term will have a very heavy emphasis on COVID-19 protocols and online pedagogy. We will partner with the Ministry of Health, specifically the Environmental Health Unit to run training sessions for staff and students. We wish to ensure that all educators and students understand the COVID-19 protocol and the role they must play in keeping our Territory safe. We must also provide psychosocial support for educators and children

going through tough times as well as tackle stigma and discrimination as it pertains to COVID cases.

Certainly, I am aware of the challenges associated with online schooling, but given the threats to our health, it is the best alternative for educating our children. I continue to ask for employers to understand the plight of parents with school-aged children; I continue to ask families and trusted individuals to make arrangements for these students' supervision. We continue to dialogue with

internet service providers for solutions to our connectivity problems, and we continue to thank donors who have provided laptops as we await our shipment of 500 devices.

More information on the reopening of schools will be forthcoming from the Ministry.

Now is the time to dig deep as a community. COVID-19 is big and bad, but our GOD is bigger! Let's tap into the divine source to find the resilience and endurance needed to conquer this monstrous pandemic. May God bless this beautiful Virgin Islands and keep us safe!

### 5 Star Construction is seeking 1 Mason and 1 Labourer

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Loading and unloading materials and equipment

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# GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

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**WASHINGTON** - The president's son Eric Trump has refused to comply with a subpoena in a New York state prosecutor's investigation of the Trump Organization, court documents revealed Monday.

President Donald Trump's entire private business entity has yet to comply with subpoenas from New York Attorney General Letitia James, James said in court documents.

New filings showed that James' civil investigation is based, in part, on former Trump lawyer Michael Cohen's testimony to Congress and seeks to learn whether the financial filings for the president's business were inflated or deflated to obtain loans or reduce potential taxes. (NBC News)

**VENICE** - A 'typhoon' has swept the northeastern Veneto region with flash-flooding across the region. Gale-force winds, downpours and hailstorms have battered Verona, Vicenza, Padua and other cities. Social media have been flooded with images of people wading through chest-high water to save themselves.

There have also been pictures of many trees that have been blown down. Veneto Governor Luca Zaia signed a state of crisis decree for Verona and other comuni in the province. Venice was also affected by the wave of bad weather. Verona

was picking up the pieces and totting up the damage on Monday. (ANSA).

The massive explosion which devastated a large swathe of the Lebanese capital Beirut sent shock waves through the world.

**UNITED KINGDOM** - But could such a tragedy ever happen here? The SS Richard Montgomery ran aground and sank just off Sheerness back in 1944. And as our chief correspondent Alex Thomson has been finding out - the ship's wreck still contains thousands of tons of explosive ordinance. (ch4 News)

**BRAZIL** - Brazil's social media-savvy leader is facing perhaps the most severe online backlash of his presidency after unsuccessfully trying to snuff out questions about his family's financial dealings by warning a journalist he wanted to "smash his face in".

Jair Bolsonaro issued the threat on Sunday, after a reporter from one of Brazil's leading newspapers asked him to explain why a former policeman with alleged links to Rio's mafia had paid thousands of pounds into the bank account of his wife, Michelle Bolsonaro.

Bolsonaro tells journalist he would 'like to smash your face in' over financial questions; but the menacing remark quickly backfired as Brazilian journalists flooded social

media with the very same question. "President Jair Bolsonaro, why did your wife Michelle receive 89,000 reais from Fabricio Queiroz?" they tweeted in unison at Brazil's far-right leader. Fabio Malini, a social media researcher who is tracking the backlash, said hundreds of thousands of internet users quickly joined the counter-attack against Bolsonaro. (The Guardian)

**BEIJING, (Xinhua)** -- U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, in his recent speech at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library, negated every aspect of China-U.S. relations, maliciously attacked the leadership of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and China's political system, and attempted to drive a wedge between the CPC and the Chinese people. He also wantonly criticized China's domestic and foreign policies, spread the so-called "China threat", and called for an anti-China alliance to contain China's development.

Pompeo's baseless, fact-distorting speech misrepresents history and the reality. It is full of ideological prejudice and driven by a Cold-War mentality. His remarks have not only been condemned by the Chinese people, but also criticized and opposed by sensible people in the United States as well as the international community.

**HUNGARY** - Hungary's six largest opposition parties pledged Thursday (13 August) to form an unprecedented wide-ranging alliance to challenge Prime Minister Viktor Orbán at the next general election in 2022.

Opposition parties accuse the nationalist Orbán of steering Hungary toward authoritarianism and away from mainstream democratic and European Union values.

The self-styled "illiberal" premier has regularly clashed with the EU over alleged backsliding on rule-of-law, migration, and human rights issues.

Orbán has won three consecutive landslides since 2010, partly due to election rule changes he oversaw.

But with around half of the electorate voting for opposition parties Orbán would be vulnerable to a unified front. (euractiv)

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** - Before the coronavirus crisis, Chris McLaughlin was making a decent living doing landscaping and handyman jobs. He didn't have formal qualifications but he was good with his hands and had a word-of-mouth reputation that allowed him to keep a trickle of cash coming in. But when the pandemic struck, his work came to a standstill. Now as Cayman comes back to life, many of his customers have left the island. The contracts have dried up and there is no certainty over where the next dollar is coming from. (Cayman Compass)

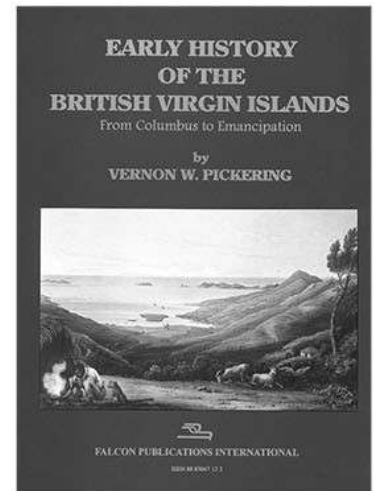
**BARBADOS** - Minister of Tourism and International Transport, Kerrie Symmonds, has encouraged small hotels and villas to maintain a hopeful and cheerful outlook, regarding the recovery of the tourism sector.

Speaking at the Annual General Meeting of the Intimate Hotels of Barbados recently, Minister Symmonds addressed the owners and managers of the group, saying that despite the impact of the COVID-19 situation, there was a shining light coming for the core of smaller hotels.

Symmonds said there was some hope to be found. He referenced the book of Lamentations where the Bible says that through the mercy and compassion of the Lord that we are not consumed.

"My feeling is that we can take confidence in the fact that we see before us the resilience of Barbados and Barbados' capacity to rise to unprecedented challenges and that was manifested by the way in which we responded to the COVID-19 pandemic on our shores," said Symmonds. He asserted Barbados began the re-entry experience last Sunday and that all fair commentators would agree that it was an excellent experience where it was carefully prepared for in every detail. (Barbados Advocate)

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**USA** - Mike Pence has been officially adopted as Donald Trump's Republican running mate in 2020, with Republicans giving unanimous support. The former Indiana governor, who has an abysmal record on LGBT+ rights both before and during his vice presidency, was reaffirmed as Trump's running mate at the Republican National Convention on Monday after early speculation that he could be dropped from the ticket in favour of Nikki Haley proved false. The 336 delegates voted by acclamation to re-adopt Pence as vice presidential nominee, ahead of Trump's renomination, with a standing ovation as it was passed. The confirmation sets up a hotly-anticipated clash between Pence and Democratic firebrand Kamala Harris, a strong advocate of LGBT+ rights. Harris and Pence will debate on 7 October, in case you want to place some bulk popcorn orders ahead of time. (Pink News)

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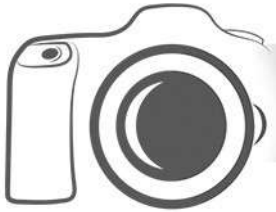
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# The Sunny Side Up



## Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



*Pictured : Jenea Fahie one of the students graduated from the Alexandrina Maduro Primary School-Graduating Class of 2020*

*Ms. Fahie stated: "I would like to thank my teachers and principals and my classmates for being with me every step of the way." She also would like to thank: Glenda Harrigan, Kenique Jones, Sapphire Smith and Niesha Thomas for being the closest people in times like these. "Last but not least I would like to especially thank my parents Amanda and Jasen Fahie for raising me to be the person I am today. Also to my three sisters Shanique Pierre, Tanisha Pierre and Jcana Fahie who also encouraged me to always do the right thing.*

*Thank you all!"*

*(Group photo on Page 1)*

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# Manjack Creamery

*announced that it is going to continue to serve the community*



After sparking debate as a result of its decision to close earlier this month local ice cream company Manjack Creamery announced that it is going to continue to serve the community.

The company following a disagreement with the Labour and Immigration Department over the hiring of staff decided that it would not remain in business. This notice of closure which was posted on Facebook sparked conversation in the media and in the community with persons taking either the side of the Department or the business.

The sadness that the business was going to close was relieved when the Creamery in a Facebook page on 20 August announced that it heard the calls from the community for their opening and have returned.

To showcase that the doors were reopened the company issued a photo featuring renowned BVI Talk Show host Claude Skelton-Cline. "We have heard from our customers and with encouragement from Claude Skelton Cline, Manjack Creamery has reopened," they said.

The Manjack Creamery is a community favorite thanks to their unique flavours, many which include well known local items. Popular flavors includes: Soursop, Peanut Punch, Nutella; and Tola Fig Banana. The brand also includes flavours that are adults only such as Tequilla Rose, Brandy and Baileys, and Hennessey and Cranberry.





## Ladyburd Talks

**Dear Readers:** In order for things to happen in our lives, we have to be in motion. Nothing occurs without motion. One word I've heard out of people's mouths lately is the word "paralyzed." Many people are feeling out of control or just flat-out confused about what to do in today's economy, so they do nothing--they're paralyzed.

**As Albert Einstein said,** "Nothing happens until something moves." People who do nothing--who are waiting for things to change or, worse, to go back to the way things were--will lose. I believe that everything happens for a reason. And the reason behind this economic fiasco may be an opportunity staring us in the face. The most important thing, in my opinion, is to stay in motion and take action.

**Here are a few things you can do today to keep in motion.:**

**Answer this question:** What is the one thing in your life that, if you did it, would have the greatest positive impact in your life? The answer will probably come to you instantly, so don't discount the first answer that pops into your head. Once you know what that one thing is, commit to make the changes needed to achieve it.

**Read a book:** Ask yourself, "What do I want to learn next?" It may be related to business, investments, a hobby or personal development. What do you want to learn for your own business, financial and personal growth? Then begin with a book on the subject to start the creativity flowing.

{Source: [womenentrepreneur.com](http://womenentrepreneur.com)}



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

**Dear Ladyburd:** My boyfriend of three years and I have a great relationship, or so I thought. During our vacation last year, we spent a lot of time together, I was feeling so good that we had that quality time with each other, we had a lot of time to talk and discuss things, I was very surprised Ladyburd, when I asked my boyfriend, what he thinks about us getting married, he boldly told me that he has no intention of getting married right now, he is living his life and see where it leads him. I was really taken off guard, I did not expect that answer from him, and I felt so depressed ever since. Do you think I am over-reacting about what he says. **Bev**

**Ladyburd:** **Dear Bev:** Your boyfriend means every word he says, and if you do not want to live that life, you will have to speak with him about it, it seems as if he does not want to commit to you, It is just a pity that you did not express how you felt the minute he told you of his intentions. You will definitely have to discuss the matter with him more thoroughly, and you will know for sure what you need to do, but you cannot afford to get depressed over that situation. You never know maybe he is not the right one for you.



## Light Bulb Moments

*"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time."*  
- John Lubbock

*"Keep your face to the sunshine and you will never see the shadows."*  
- Helen Keller

*"The harder you work for something, the greater you'll feel when you achieve it."*  
- Lydia Sweatt

## Poetry Corner

### Hope is the thing with feathers

*Hope is the thing with feathers  
That perches in the soul,  
And sings the tune  
without the words,  
And never stops at all,*

*And sweetest in the gale is heard;  
And sore must be the storm  
That could abash the little bird  
That kept so many warm.*

*I've heard it in the chilliest land,  
And on the strangest sea;  
Yet, never, in extremity,  
It asked a crumb of me.*

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## Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



### Hide and Seek

Mr. and Mrs. Brown had two sons. One was named Mind Your Own Business & the other was named Trouble.

One day the two boys decided to play hide and seek. Trouble hid while Mind Your Own Business counted to one hundred.

Mind Your Own Business began looking for his brother behind garbage cans and bushes. Then he started looking in and under cars until a police man approached him and asked, "**What are you doing?**" "**Playing a game,**" the boy replied. "**What is your name?**" the officer questioned.

"**Mind Your Own Business.**" Furious the policeman inquired, "**Are you looking for trouble?!**"

The boy replied, "**Why, yes.**"

### The Proof

A man went to his lawyer and told him, "**My neighbor owes me \$500 and he won't pay up. What should I do?**" "**Do you have any proof he owes you the money?**" asked the lawyer.

"**Nope,**" replied the man. "**OK, then write him a letter asking him for the \$5,000 he owed you,**" said the lawyer.

"**But it's only \$500,**" replied the man. "**Precisely. That's what he will reply and then you'll have your proof!**"

### The Arrest

A man is being arrested by a female police officer, who informs him, "**Anything you say can and will be held against you.**" The man replies, "**Boobs!**"

## PUN INTENDED

"What did the mayonnaise say when somebody opened the refrigerator?  
"Hey, close the door! I'm dressing!"

## Limited Businesses Approved To Operate In The BVI's New Curfew Order

A limited listing of approved businesses and establishments are allowed to operate under the Curfew Act, 2017, Imposition of a Curfew (No.28) Order, 2020 in the British Virgin Islands.

They are as follows:

- Supermarkets/minimarts;
- Approved delivery services;
- Pharmacies/drug stores;
- Bakeries;
- Banks;
- Commercial farming and fishing;
- Fuel and LPG Stations;
- Private healthcare providers; and

**Burial services subject to approval by the Minister of Health**  
All other businesses and establishments not listed are ordered to close effective today, August 26 to September 2. This comes after Minister for Health and Social Development Honourable Carvin Malone reported on August 24 of the 17 active cases of COVID-19. The purpose of the curfew order remains to control, suppress and prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the Territory.

Businesses approved to operate must ensure that operating times allow for staff to report to and leave work within the imposed curfew hours of 5:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**COVID-19 Mathematics Lesson:**  
PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING  
30 PEOPLE  
30 DAYS  
30,000 LIVES SAVED

GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

**SOCIAL DISTANCING IS A WAY TO SLOW DOWN OR STOP THE SPREAD OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES BY LIMITING CONTACT BETWEEN YOU AND OTHER PEOPLE.**

## R V I P F REACTIVATES INITIATIVE

**“IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!”**

Tuesday, August 25 – The Royal Virgin Islands Police Force has reactivated the “see something, say something” initiative that was recently launched.

The phone number 368-9112, is once again, to be used to send texts or photographs via whatsapp of person/(s) Breaching the Curfew. It is also now to be used for information on persons entering the Territory illegally or persons aiding those entering the Territory illegally.

The initiative, which was officially rolled out in April 2020, is mainly to free up the main access numbers so that other offences may be immediately reported.

Any information given through this medium is confidential and would be given the confidence of discretion.

## B V I - F o o d Establishments Must Remain Closed

The public is advised that all food establishments including catering services are to remain closed with the exception of supermarkets, minimarts and bakeries.

Owners of restaurants and food establishments are reminded to remain closed until September 2 in accordance with the Curfew Act, 2017, Imposition of a Curfew (No.28) Order, 2020. Failure to comply will result in penalties.

The Imposition of a Curfew (No.28) Order, 2020 is to control, suppress and prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the British Virgin Islands.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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

PROBATE NO 0091 OF 2020

In the Estate of ALEXANDER NIKOLAEVICH CHEKHUNOV  
late of Molodezhnaya Street 16, Krasnogorsk, Moscow Region,  
Russian Federation, deceased

FORM P1: APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE than an application is hereby made to the Registrar by ALEXEY ALEXANDROVICH CHEKHUNOV of Unit 4, 84 St Andrews, Kuraby, Queensland, Australia, and NADEZHDA ALEXEYEVNA CHEKHUNOV of Ap 57, Bld 2, Nelidovskaya Str. 23, Moscow, Russian Federation, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are respectively the wife and son of the above named deceased, the deceased having died intestate on 19 July 2018.

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 4th day of August, 2020

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

(PROBATE)

Claim No. BVIHPB 2020

IN THE ESTATE OF SHIRLENE HAZEL BROOKES  
DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that Niemah Takia Gastin, originally of Purcell Estate, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, but who currently resides in Georgia, USA, and Ebonee Shinell Brookes, originally of Purcell Estate, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, but who now resides in St. Thomas, USVI, intends to apply to the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in the Territory of the Virgin Islands for Letters of Administration of the estate of SHIRLENE HAZEL BROOKES, deceased, late of Purcell Estate, Tortola, British Virgin Islands who died on the 24th day of April, 2005.

ANY PERSON having objections to a grant of representation to the Intended Applicant 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 document setting out the said objections.

DATED: this the 19th day of August, 2020.  
Alliance Law Partnership, Ltd  
Solicitors for the Applicant

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# Premier Fahie Sets The Record Straight

27th August, 2020

As in all matters, people will not always be in complete



A pleasant good day and God's Blessings to all Virgin Islanders and residents. First let me thank our residents of the Virgin Islands for cooperating with the measures put in place due to this current curfew order. Through your cooperation, you are greatly assisting our health team to continue their aggressive contact tracing without hindrance. By this evening, our Minister of Health will address the Territory with the latest COVID-19 update.

However, at this time I wish to address, briefly, a matter that has been circulating in the public domain, and which is being spurred on by the spread of rumours. These rumours have very serious and dangerous implications for our society, and this is why I am disappointed to see that persons who know better are engaging in these activities with the narrow objective of trying to make life difficult for your Government, and by extension you the people especially during this COVID-19 era while we are trying to keep our focus on the needs of the people and keeping us all safe.

I wish to make it abundantly clear that your Premier is not in any fight with the Governor or the United Kingdom or anyone.

agreement with each other. This happens occasionally and is routine in the Governance process, whether it is between the Premier and Ministers, the Premier and the Governor, the Government and the Governor or the Government and her Majesty's Loyal Opposition. These are issues where persons will have different points of views and different interpretation and perspectives on law, constitution and procedure.

Each actor, in such situations, proceeds based on their perceptions of their role and on how the facts are to be interpreted. They can be right or they can be wrong. But either way, it is not necessary for them to descend into personalities or adversarial conduct and stance, and passion must not be misinterpreted as a personal offensive.

As Premier, I continue to be guided by my Oath of Office and the Constitution to make the decisions that are in the best interest of the wellbeing and aspirations of the people of the Virgin Islands.

I bear no animosity to anyone, personally or professionally. That is contrary to my belief as a God-fearing person who believes and lives by the

commandment to love your neighbour as you love yourself.

Your Government, and by extension, my focus is on doing what is best for our Territory and for our people, whether it is by putting in the extra hours, making tough decisions or taking a firm stand to put the welfare of our people first.

This COVID-19 era is the time where, more than ever, we need all hands on-deck working to make positive contributions to help our Territory and our people, especially those who are the most vulnerable.

It is unfortunate that in the midst of having to manage the many complex issues and situations relative to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the BVI, that I have to divert attention and focus to correct misinformation, misstatements and mischief.

But I cannot let these untrue statements that are being circulated remain unanswered and to bury their roots in the public domain.

I also must state that I am disappointed that some Members of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition are making deliberate efforts to fan these flames of misinformation, misstatements and mischief, during this time of COVID-19.

It is a fact that from time to time the Government and the Opposition do not agree. But we do not characterise these disagreements as a fight. Why then, are persons going out of their way to paint similar disagreements between the Governor and the Premier as a fight? Why are they trying to create fear, uncertainty and panic in the minds of the public?

For the record, as Premier, I have a good relationship with the Cabinet Members of the Territory which includes the Governor, the Cabinet Secretary, the Attorney General and all my Ministers.

For the record and by extension I also have a very good relationship with all the Members of the House of Assembly. And by extension I have a great relationship with each citizen of the Virgin Islands, whether they support my Government and myself, or not, because that is their democratic right.

I must highlight that the Leader of the Opposition and I discuss many matters and not all of them we see eye to eye. This does not mean that the Leader of the Opposition and the Premier does not get along.

By extension the Governor has certain responsibilities under the Constitution. The Premier is the Leader of Government Business and has certain responsibilities under the Constitution coupled with his mandate from the people with the accountability factor being the Manifesto.

Just like the relationship with the Leader of the Opposition there are areas or issues that the Governor and Premier will not share the same position which may merely be cultural

differences. This does not mean that the Premier and the Governor does not get along.

## Mutual respect must play a key role in a Modern Partnership.

During these difficult times let us focus on the areas that unite us and avoid trying to play on the vulnerability of the people of the Virgin Islands for political and other gains.

COVID-19 is not a game. COVID-19 is not playing around with us and we must not play around with COVID-19.

As Your Government we will continue to be steadfast in purpose and diligent in actions in hearrying out of our duties on behalf of the people of the Virgin Islands.

This is a time when we must all put people in front of politics, and surely in front of power.

I wish you God's blessings. And your Government will continue to keep you updated on all efforts of COVID-19 and all other related efforts. Let us remain united that although we may be separate as fingers, let us remain one as a hand.

I thank you.

**EVERY CHILD MATTERS**

**Parents! Teach your child the PANTS RULE!**  
Talk Pants and you've got it covered!

- P** Private parts are private. Nobody is permitted to touch it
- A** Always remember your body is yours and yours only.
- N** No means no. Never yield to pressure.
- T** Talk about secrets that upset you.
- S** Say something and speak up! Someone can help.



# UNITE FOR THE SEA

## *Summer 2020 Programmes*

### Targets over 250 youth for enrollment

Monday, 24th August, 2020 - Unite for the Sea, an ocean conservation education youth programme designed by Unite BVI, is meant to "inspire and empower the next generation of ocean conservationists". The programme, now in its second year, will engage over 250 youth throughout summer. Since starting in July, approximately 200+ youth have received free swimming, snorkeling and diving lessons via a number of Unite for the Sea partners, aquatic based businesses, and conservationists including Sunchaser Scuba, Sail Caribbean Divers, Sea Turtle Aquatics, The BVI Swim School and The BVI Surf School. For the first time, and in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Unite for the Sea will be offering an online learning component for participants. The e-programme, which begins the first week in September, will focus on reducing plastics pollution and the ecological importance of mangroves; and includes touchpoints on understanding water quality and the need to protect endangered species of sea turtles and grouper. Ocean conservation education is being delivered by BVI marine biologist Lenette

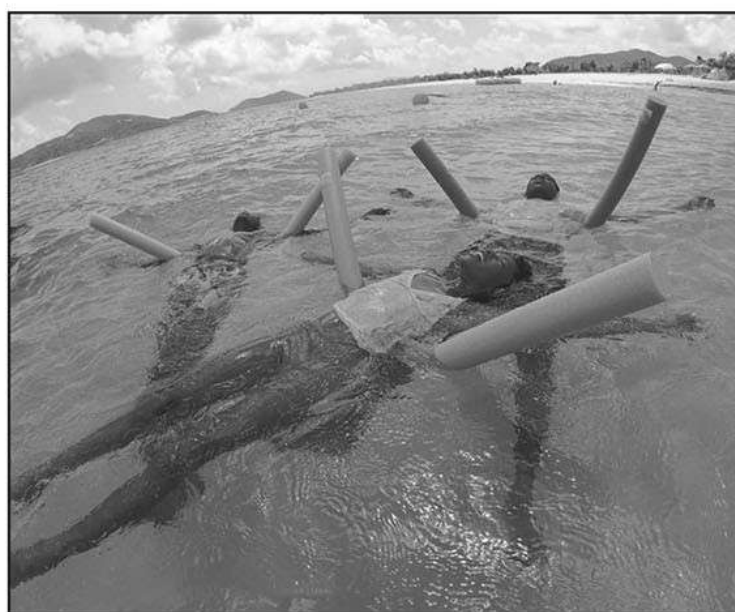
Lewis with spotlight interviews from experts on the summer's theme areas: "The importance of mangroves to Ocean Health" - Lianna Jarecki of the HLSCC Marine Center; and "Plastic Pollution" - Sarah Penney of Green VI.

Programme funding has been covered largely by Unite BVI with some additional appreciated contributions from The Bitter End Yacht Club. Youth programme partners also include The Youth Empowerment Project, M.A.L.E. and F.E.M.A.L.E. Lauren Keil, Unite BVI Foundation Manager, said the programme is in line with the foundation's core principles. She said, "One of the ways in which Unite BVI is hoping to create a positive, sustainable impact in the area of environmental conservation is through a long-term commitment to the Unite for the Sea programme in the BVI. We want to engage as many youth as possible to foster a greater appreciation for the ocean, inspiring a passion to protect it." In 2019, Unite BVI supported over 526 youth with summer youth programmes with 341 attending the Unite for the Sea Ocean Conservation Education Programme

designed and lead by Marine Biologist, Dr Cassander Titley-O'Neal.

In 2020, Unite BVI is supporting the following activities, through grant funding and donations: • 75 students to go through a PADI Discover Scuba Diving or Open Water certification course (funding support in partnership with The Bitter End Yacht Club) • 50 sets of snorkel equipment donated to youth by Sea Turtle Aquatics (funding partnership with Earth Echo International) • Over 250 swim scholarships on four (4) different BVI islands (funding partnerships with Beyond the Reef Foundation); and • Ocean conservation education e-programme that targets 300 youth supported with FREE youth resource packs. Unite BVI Foundation is a not-for-profit foundation with a vision to create opportunities that inspire and empower a generation of world-changers, starting in the beautiful BVI.

For more information about Unite for the Sea, visit [unitebvi.com](http://unitebvi.com) or copy and paste the following link: <https://www.unitebvi.com/inspiring-next-generation-conservationists>.



# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



# R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



# The Spats

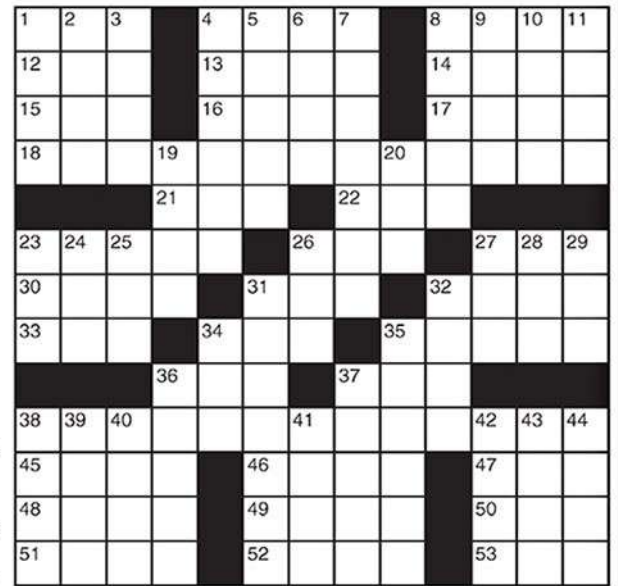
by Jeff Pickering



# King Crossword

## ACROSS

- 1 Early bird?
- 4 Said "not guilty"
- 8 Molt
- 12 By way of
- 13 Emanation
- 14 Rent
- 15 Work unit
- 16 Whirl
- 17 Long-billed wader
- 18 Sprinter's device
- 21 Many millennia
- 22 Parcel of land
- 23 Allude (to)
- 26 Driver's license datum
- 27 Foundation
- 30 Out of control
- 31 "Oklahoma!" baddie
- 32 Stead
- 33 Vat
- 34 Haw partner
- 35 Tureen accessory
- 36 Prohibit
- 37 Emeril's shout
- 38 Extremely exciting
- 45 Plankton component
- 46 Love god
- 47 Dove's remark
- 48 Works with



- 49 New Haven school
- 50 Choose
- 51 Not so much
- 52 Resorts international?
- 53 "The Matrix" role
- 7 Hung
- 8 Half a circus clown's pair
- 9 Vagrant
- 10 — The Red
- 11 Dilbert's worksite
- 19 Stench
- 20 Go a few rounds
- 23 Snitch
- 24 Ostrich's cousin
- 25 Pass (off)
- 26 Total
- 27 Auction action
- 28 Wet wriggler
- 29 Payable
- 31 Football garb
- 32 Genie's home
- 34 Chapeau
- 35 Expires
- 36 Marching-band section
- 37 Half of 49-Across' fight song
- 38 Booty
- 39 Otherwise
- 40 Census statistics
- 41 Snare
- 42 PC picture
- 43 "Unh-unh"
- 44 Attend

## DOWN

- 1 Prior nights
- 2 Encircle
- 3 Lady —
- 4 Cleric
- 5 Pea-family plant
- 6 Ms. Brockovich

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦♦

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

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Picture has been added. 2. Boy's sleeve is different. 3. Man has a bow tie. 4. Napkin dispenser is larger. 5. Number of flavors has changed. 6. Partial window sign is missing.

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Answer  
Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 24 mins.  
Answers  
King Crossword

# Trivia test

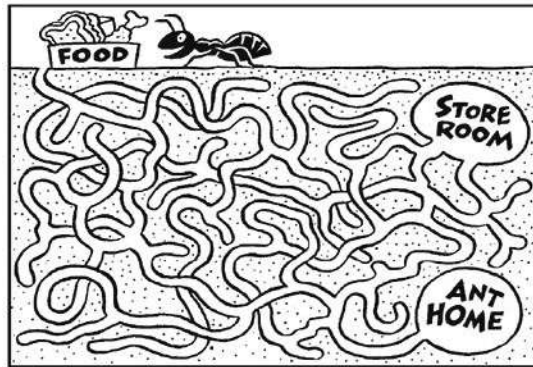
by Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which activity uses terms such as baste, bias and selvage?
- MYTHOLOGY: What are the Norms?
- AD SLOGANS: Which product uses the advertising slogan "Vermont's Finest"?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of New Zealand?
- MUSIC: Which Madonna song features a recitation of 16 cultural icons?
- U.S. STATES: How many states begin with the letter "A"?
- HISTORY: Who was queen consort to French and English kings in the 12th century?
- LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel begins with the line, "All children, except one, grow up"?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president detested broccoli and banned it from his meals?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of crabs called?

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MORE READERS: THE ISLAND SUN

Trivia Test Answerst  
1. Sewing; 2. Norse goddesses of fate; 3. Ben & Jerry's ice cream; 4. Wellington; 5. "Vogue"; 6. Alabama, Alaska, Arizona and Arkansas; 7. Eleanor of Aquitaine; 8. "Peter Pan"; 9. George H.W. Bush; 10. A cast



**DON'T GET ANTSY** trying to solve this ant maze. See if you can find the route from the food to the ant home in one minute.

# Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



Illustrated by David Coulson

**THE PYRAMID OF WORD POWER!** Starting with the word CHASTENED at the bottom of our word pyramid, try dropping one letter at a time, as you work your way up, so that the remaining letters at each level spell out a new word. To make the challenge harder, the following helpful hints are not in ascending order:

1. A small amount.
2. To be punished.
3. Seized hastily.
4. To have done something.
5. Highest rank.
6. Shouted monotonously.
7. To remove from.
8. Sweet, edible fruit.
9. Present during.



**THE MYSTERIOUS OBJECT!** Under the napkin is an object that has 8 corners, 6 sides and 12 edges when it's dry, but has none of these when it's wet. What do you think it is?

Answer: It's a sugar cube.

**CHAIN REACTION!** Take the seven letters printed below the diagram and place them in the circles so that eight 4-letter words can be read top to bottom along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle



Answers: The words are, top to bottom, left to right: Maid, mail, mill, male, mill, mice, mica.

Answers: (from the bottom up) Chastened, snatched, chanted, detach, acted, date, tad, at, a.

# top ten

## Bar Soaps\*

1. Dove
2. Dial
3. Irish Spring
4. Caress
5. Zest
6. Ivory
7. Olay
8. Aveeno
9. Lever 2000
10. Coast

\*most used in U.S.

Source: Statista



## Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) This could be the time to try soothing whatever bad feelings might be lingering 'twixt and among colleagues, friends or family members. But be sure you do so without favoring any side.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) An idea is only an idea until you put that clever Bovine mind to work to develop it from concept to substance. This could lead to something rewarding, both emotionally and monetarily.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The early part of the week could have some disconcerting moments, but approaching them with a calm, unruffled attitude goes a long way toward helping to get things nicely settled down.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Getting used to change continues to mark much of the week. But accepting what you have to do makes adapting that much easier. A welcome visitor could turn up sooner than expected.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Learning how to live with a decision is a challenge, but one you Leos and Leonas could really enjoy. You'll also be pleased to see your social life take that upsurge you've been hoping for.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Use your perceptive Virgo instinct to help you see the positive aspects of what, at first, appears to be a disappointment. You could find that it proves to be quite the contrary.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Your ability to maintain a balance between sense and sentiment once again helps you sort through apparently conflicting choices and ultimately arrive at the right decision.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Before you seek the advice of colleagues about a potential career move, you might be better off getting counsel from someone who won't be affected by the choices you make.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) It can be a challenging week for some relationships if the normal give-and-take flow changes with one side doing most of the giving and the other the taking.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A new opportunity could bring with it much anticipation along with some anxiety. Take time to sort out your options as well as your emotional considerations.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Are you sure you have all the facts you need to let that matter move to another level? Don't be rushed into a decision unless and until you feel it's the right thing to do.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Pace yourself as you prepare to take on that more demanding project. Be careful not to let your energy reserves drain away. Take time to relax with people close to you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have the ability to see both sides of a situation. You would do well as a counselor or a judge.

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## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

• In 2015, Godzilla was made an official resident of the Shinjuku ward of Tokyo. The "King of Monsters" was not only given Japanese citizenship, but also appointed as the ward's tourism ambassador.

• When Henri IV of France wed Maria de Medici in 1600, he could not actually be present for the ceremony. Instead, he sent a life-sized sculpture of himself ... made entirely out of sugar.

• Knowing they might never return safely from the moon, Neil Armstrong and the Apollo 11 crew worried about the prospect of leaving their families without financial support, but couldn't take out life insurance policies due to the extreme risks of their mission. Instead, they signed hundreds of autographs to be sold if they didn't make it home. Thankfully, those weren't needed, but still show up in space memorabilia auctions today, going for as much as \$30,000.

• Only two sports have been played on the moon — golf and the javelin throw.

• At a NOAA conference in 1972, civil and women's rights activist Roxcy Bolton proposed naming hurricanes after senators instead of women. She also preferred the term "him-i-canes."

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## Freeze the Best of Summer

It's August, and that means I'm busily trying to figure out a way to preserve the smells and flavors of my favorite vegetables. I enjoy stocking my freezer with vegetables I've grown or bought in large quantities from local farmers. Your freezer is one of the best ways to preserve the color and flavor of summer produce all year long. Here's some great tips for freezing the best of your favorite summer vegetables and herbs:

### Can I Freeze Bell and Sweet Peppers Raw?

If you've picked a peck of peppers and have too many to eat, try freezing them. Peppers are one of those foods that can be quickly frozen raw without first blanching them. Here are some guidelines on freezing bell and sweet peppers raw:

Select crisp, tender, green or bright-red pods. Wash, cut out stems, cut in half and remove seeds. If desired, cut into 1/2-inch strips or rings. Good for use in uncooked foods because they have a crisper texture, or in cooked foods. Package raw, leaving no headspace. Seal and freeze.

**NOTE:** To make it easier to remove only the amount of frozen bell or sweet peppers needed at one time, freeze sliced or diced peppers in a single layer on a cookie sheet with sides. Transfer to a "freezer" bag when frozen, excluding as much air as possible from the bag.



### Can Tomatoes be Frozen Raw?

**Like peppers, tomatoes can be frozen raw.** Frozen tomatoes are best used in cooked foods such as soups, sauces and stews as they become mushy when they're thawed.

**Select firm, ripe tomatoes with deep red color.** Wash and dip in boiling water for 30 seconds to loosen skins. Core and peel. Freeze whole or in pieces. Pack into containers, leaving 1-inch headspace. Seal and freeze.

**TIP:** Dip just a few tomatoes at a time into the boiling water or the water temperature may be lowered too much to remove the skins without overheating the tomatoes. Place hot tomatoes in a colander and rinse under cold water to make them easier to handle. A knife with a serrated edge works best for cutting tomatoes.

### How About Freezing Fresh Herbs?

**Wash, drain and pat the herbs dry with paper towels.** Wrap a few sprigs or leaves in freezer wrap and place in a freezer bag, then seal and freeze. The frozen herbs can be chopped and used in cooked dishes. After freezing, the herbs usually are not suitable for garnish, as they become limp when thawed.

**TIP:** To extend the time frozen fruits and vegetables maintain good quality, package foods in material intended for freezing and keep the temperature of the freezer at 0 F or below. It is generally recommended that frozen vegetables and fruits be eaten within eight months for best quality.

## GAZPACHO

This wonderful recipe for gazpacho is a great way to use a variety of your favorite herbs and summer vegetables.

- 6 large tomatoes
  - 1 large cucumber, peeled, seeded and finely diced
  - 1 large green bell pepper, finely chopped
  - 1 medium-sized red onion, minced
  - 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar • 2 tablespoons olive oil
  - Juice and zest of 1/2 lemon • 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
  - 2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped
  - 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce • 1 teaspoon salt
  - 1 teaspoon fresh ground pepper
  - 1/2 teaspoon sugar • 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
  - 1 medium avocado, peeled and diced, for garnish
  - 1 cup herbed croutons, for garnish
1. To peel the tomatoes, submerge them a few tomatoes at a time in boiling water for 15 seconds. Place in a colander and rinse under cold water. The skins should slip right off. Core the tomatoes and gently squeeze out the seeds. Chop half of the tomatoes coarsely and puree the other half in a food processor. Combine the puree and chopped tomatoes in a large mixing bowl.
  2. Add the cucumber, bell pepper, onion, vinegar, olive oil, lemon juice and zest, parsley, basil, hot sauce, salt, pepper, sugar and nutmeg to the tomatoes. Mix gently to blend the ingredients. Cover and refrigerate for several hours before serving.
  3. Serve chilled. Garnish with the avocado and herbed croutons, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

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## Caribbean News / Regional News

# CDC Reduces Saint Lucia's COVID-19 Rating To Level 1, As One Of Only Eight Countries Globally

CASTRIES, August 24, 2020 - Saint Lucia's response to the COVID-19 pandemic in ensuring a safe and strategic approach to the reopening of the economy, is receiving rave reviews the world over. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has now reduced Saint Lucia's COVID-19 rating to the lowest, Level 1, as one of only eight countries globally, noting that "over the last 28 days, new cases of COVID-19 in Saint Lucia decreased or stabilized."

An August 21, highlight by AOL captioned, "How much it costs to live in 15 COVID-free countries" has rated Saint Lucia as the #2 country in the world that could provide you with a gorgeous and safe place to wait out the pandemic.

Saint Lucia welcomed its first commercial flight on July 9, with a measure of strictly

enforced protocols in place which include pretesting within seven days of arrival in the destination, mandatory screening on arrival, use of certified taxis and hotels, a 14-day quarantine period for non-bubble countries, the wearing of masks in public and observing physical distancing.

"This is even more validation of our country's success in the management of COVID-19," said Prime Minister Honourable Allen Chastanet. "We have to keep following our protocols and ensuring that pre-testing is done before visitors arrive in Saint Lucia. This takes the support and cooperation of all the stakeholders in the travel industry."

The Saint Lucia Tourism Authority and the Ministry of Tourism has praised the endorsement as timely as it encourages visitors

to enjoy an extended stay on a relatively affordable budget.

Chairman of the National COVID-19 Response Committee and Minister for Tourism, Honourable Dominic Fedee said, "It is an honour to see that the Strategic approach to responsible reopening the tourism sector, dedication and sacrifice of the Government, frontline workers and the cooperation of the public is topical in international jurisdictions. All measures by the government are geared are ensuring that livelihoods are restored while keeping local communities protected from the virus."

The Government of Saint Lucia through the Caribcation brand is working assiduously to introduce its extended stay program where visitors would be able to work, stay and play, all while enjoying Saint Lucia's culture. For the

period of July to August 2020 to date, Saint Lucia has welcomed 5,897 travelers through the approved ports of entry, of which 4,413 are visitors.

In projecting the trajectory towards phase two estimated to commence in October, the government and Health Authorities continue to chart a deliberate course that would continue to safeguard the population. With careful measures in place, as of Monday July 17, more water-based activities have opened including diving and snorkeling.

The public is reminded to follow all travel and on island protocols as a continued measure in mitigating the risk of COVID-19 into local communities. Residents too are reminded to be vigilant and report any known infringements to the 311 hotline or the nearest police station.

To access Saint Lucia's COVID-19 Management Protocol and for prefilling of the Mandatory Travel Registration Form, please visit; [www.stlucia.org/covid-19](http://www.stlucia.org/covid-19).

## Tourism Trinidad Unveils New Destination Trinidad Television Commercial

Port of Spain, Trinidad –Wednesday August 19, 2020 – Tourism Trinidad Limited (TTL) recently launched its new sixty (60) second Destination Trinidad commercial that perfectly captures the essence of the island's sports, events, and conferences/meetings tourism niches. The original composed background soca infused music perfectly aligns with the footage; portraying Trinidad as a place where visitors can embark on their own epic journeys and ultimately compel them to set out on their own when the world emerges from the coronavirus crisis.

Coming out of its mandate to focus on Trinidad's specific offerings and the identified tourism priorities, separate and apart from that of Tobago, namely

- Sports
- Events
- Conferences/Business

Tourism Trinidad is continuing to build out its arsenal of communication pieces, such as brochures, videos, new destination website, focusing on these key pillars. The 60 second television commercial showcases beautiful shots of Trinidad in a way that is inspirational, artistic, and overflowing with our world renowned "Trini" energy.

An intrinsic part of Trinidad's Tourism Recovery Plan to get the sector back on its feet, this commercial is being aired for the first time during the international broadcast of the prestigious and hugely popular T20 Cricket Tournament of the Caribbean Premier League

(CPL) being hosted in Trinidad and Tobago. This is, therefore, an ideal platform to promote Destination Trinidad via live stream and television whilst simultaneously generating brand awareness and connecting with global audiences in the UK, North America, Europe, Asia Pacific, Africa, India Sub-Continent and Pan Caribbean.

Tourism Trinidad has also installed at the cricket venues branded perimeter boards, pitch markings, and banners and shared destination fun facts and other video communication pieces with CPL's online channels.

Travelers are eagerly searching out vacation options and, based on industry reports, international tourists will primarily seek destinations that offers diverse culturally rich and "out of the box" experiences in a safe environment. Keeping visitors inspired and informed will remain a top priority for all tourism destinations, alongside with ensuring that the necessary protocols and guidelines to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 are in place prior to re-opening the borders.

The Chief Executive Officer (Ag.) of Tourism Trinidad Limited, Mrs. Heidi Alert, explained that "the 60 second television commercial aims to inspire travelers to dream of Destination Trinidad even as we all battle the COVID-19 pandemic globally. It is crucial to keep our audiences inspired and informed so that the destination remain top of mind. In the crowded marketplace where many other competing destinations are vying for the attention of the traveller, Trinidad must remain on the forefront

and continue to disseminate captivating, real-life, and authentic content.

Moreover, we are in the final stages in the roll-out of Trinidad Tourism Industry Health & Safety Manual for Post Covid-19 based on other regional and international public health protocols. These unified guidelines and protocols will assist in restoring global confidence in destination Trinidad even as we all work to ensure the health, safety and well-being of our citizens and visitors".

Mrs. Alert went on to add "the island of Trinidad has a rich bounty of tourism assets that sometimes we as citizens take for granted. We must all be proud of where we live and appreciate what makes our country unique. I encourage everyone to view our destination television commercial on our social pages and feel free to share it amongst your friends and family".

The 60 second television commercial, showcasing Trinidad's sports, events, and conferences niches, can be viewed and shared via Tourism Trinidad's FB @VisitTrinidad, Twitter @ExploreTrinidad, Instagram @BookTrinidad and on our domestic staycation FB, IG and Twitter @StayTnT.

Hereunder is the video link to the new Destination Trinidad TVC....just copy and paste the link in your browser.

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/zqqzlfxsfn6njw9/TTL%20Destination\\_60\\_Final.mp4?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/zqqzlfxsfn6njw9/TTL%20Destination_60_Final.mp4?dl=0)

## Run Barbados To Return 2021

In keeping with the global ongoing efforts to manage the COVID-19 pandemic, the Barbados Tourism Marketing Inc. (BTMI) has made the difficult decision to cancel the annual Run Barbados series this year.

Manager of Sports, BTMI, Devon Chase mentioned, "I believe that this is the first time in the history of the Run Barbados Marathon Weekend that we will not be hosting an event. It hasn't been an easy decision for us but in the interest of the preservation of life and overall general wellbeing, it was certainly the responsible thing to do."

The BTMI will be taking advantage of this brief hiatus to reset and to plan for an improved running experience in 2021, with a view of attracting even greater participation among locals and visitors.

The 2021 Edition of the Run Barbados Marathon Weekend is scheduled to take place December 10-12 and interested participants are encouraged to visit [www.runbarbados.org](http://www.runbarbados.org) or the event's social media portals on Facebook or Instagram for more updates.

# VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS

## US Cyber Forces Go Hunting for Election Trouble

By Jeff Seldin, August 25, 2020, 07:24 PM

U.S. forces are taking an aggressive approach in cyberspace ahead of November's presidential election, aiming to wipe out threats from foreign countries and other actors before they have a chance to disrupt voting or other critical, election-related systems.

"Cyber Command needs to do more than prepare for a crisis in the future; it must compete with adversaries today," Gen. Paul Nakasone, head of U.S. Central Command, and senior adviser Michael Sulmeyer said in a piece published Tuesday in Foreign Affairs magazine.

The strategy, described by top officials at U.S. Cyber Command as "hunt forward," reflects the military's increased desire to move away from what they describe as a "reactive and defensive posture," and confront evolving threats head-on.

FILE - In this Jan. 29, 2019, file photo National Security Agency Director Gen. Paul Nakasone testifies before the Senate...

FILE - National Security Agency Director Gen. Paul Nakasone testifies before the Senate Intelligence Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington, Jan. 29, 2019.

"U.S. forces must compete with adversaries on a recurring basis, making it far more difficult for them to advance their goals over time," the officials wrote, outlining the strategy for the public with the presidential

election now less than three months away. "Additionally, cyber effects operations allow Cyber Command to disrupt and degrade the capabilities our adversaries use to conduct attacks."

Nakasone and Sulmeyer say the more proactive approach to protecting the upcoming U.S. election began, in part, in October 2019, after a team from Cyber Command traveled to Podgorica, Montenegro, to investigate attempts, possibly by Russia, to infiltrate that country's networks.

In the process, the Cyber Command team "saw an opportunity to improve American cyber defenses ahead of the 2020 election," they said in the article.

Nakasone and Sulmeyer also say they are building on efforts from 2018, when Cyber Command joined with the National Security Agency to form the Russia Small Group (RSG) to help protect the congressional mid-term elections, shoring up vulnerabilities within the U.S. election infrastructure, sounding alarms about Russian disinformation campaigns, and hunting for malware.

"Thanks to these and other efforts, the United States disrupted a concerted effort to undermine the midterm elections," they wrote. "Together with its partners, Cyber Command is doing all of this and more for the 2020 elections."



FILE - Voting stations are seen in the South Wing of the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky, June 23, 2020.

### Managing risk

Critics point out that the more aggressive approach to cyber defense carries risks. Namely, they worry that whether due to a miscalculation or an accident, a confrontation in cyberspace could escalate and lead to all-out war.

But U.S. Cyber Command officials argue the risk is manageable and that the "hunt forward" strategy allows them to impose necessary costs on adversaries like Russia, China, Iran and North Korea.

"Inaction poses its own risks: that Chinese espionage, Russian intimidation, Iranian coercion, North Korean burglary, and terrorist propaganda will continue unabated," Nakasone and Sulmeyer wrote in the magazine. "So, the question is how, not whether, to act."

Determining whether Cyber Command's "hunt forward" approach is paying off may be difficult.

U.S. officials charged with protecting key voting-related systems said at least so far, there are no signs of any country-directed attacks on the United States.

"We are not and have not seen specific targeting of those election systems that has been attributable to nation-state actors at this time," Matthew Masterson, senior cybersecurity adviser for the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), told the Atlantic Council on Tuesday.

"(We) aren't seeing a broad campaign in that way," he said, adding, "We're cognizant that's in the playbook."

### Evidence of meddling

Earlier this month, U.S. counterintelligence officials warned they have evidence that Russia, China and Iran are trying to meddle with the November election.

"We assess that Russia is using a range of measures to primarily denigrate former Vice President (Joe) Biden and what it sees as an anti-Russia 'establishment,'" National Counterintelligence and Security Center Director William Evanina said in a statement.

"Some Kremlin-linked actors are also seeking to boost President (Donald) Trump's candidacy on social media and Russian television," he added.

China and Iran, according to Evanina, appear to prefer a Biden presidency.

# SPORTS



## SPORTS EVENTS

## COVID-19 halts sporting events for 2nd time in five months

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

The cluster of COVID-19 positive cases has halted sporting activities within the territory for a second time, exactly five months after the first lockdown, when officials announced the closure of events on Friday night, after nine cases were found.

At the time, a sense of sports normalcy was taking place with the BVI Softball Association preseason tournament entering its penultimate weekend ahead of a planned September 5 opening, marking the third anniversary since the last games were played before Hurricane Irma struck in 2017. The association had planned a March 21 opening, when the country went into its first lockdown.

Games in the BVI Football Association National League were in progress on both Tortola and Virgin Gorda while the Sea Cows Bay Basketball Club was moving its B&B Camp which covers basketball and baseball to the Seventh District, after basketball only was played in the Eight District during the first week.

Similarly, the M&M Soccer Academy was extending its summer camp after two successful weeks of activities when the second lockdown was announced.

M&M Soccer Academy founder and director Morris Mark said the program that attracted 20 participants went very well.

"What I was trying to address wasn't all just football only. I was trying to address more individual disciplines and preparedness for everyday life," Mark told Island Sun Sports. "Every morning we had sessions before we went on the field. We talked about discipline and how to prepare ourselves and what they as individuals have to do whether it's at home, on the street or in the world including COVID-19 and how it affected them as youngsters during the lockdown when they were at home and couldn't be out. It was more a lot of educational situations along with football related activities."

Sea Cows Bay Basketball Club President Milton McLean said they saw their numbers increasing from the first day in the program that was sponsored by the BVI Olympic Committee with support from the Rotary Club of Tortola and Trellis Bay Market. Both basketball and baseball had a limit of 36 participants and they saw their numbers growing from 22 to 30.

McLean thanked parents in the Seventh and Eight Districts for supporting the program and the Youth Empowerment Project (YEP), which participated for the second year.

"We were very pleased with the turnout," McLean told Island Sun sports. "The kids were very enthusiastic and full of energy. You could see the enthusiasm growing as the camp went along. And from a skills perspective, we're very, very happy and some of the trainers commented that the kids were learning really fast. So that tells you that, we really had a successful camp."

McLean commended the trainers for doing an excellent job—including the younger ones who demonstrated a great deal of patience, working with the 8-12 years olds. He said for 80-85% of them, it was their first time going through some of the skills.

"You could see the rawness and we think for most of them, it was definitely an introduction," he said. "I'm very happy when you get these young kids who haven't been exposed to the sport, because when they're raw like that, you can really train them in the proper



Young Girls getting their first taste of basketball in the Sea Cows Bay Basketball Club's Eight District B&B camp

fundamentals. When they've been exposed for 2-3 years, you find that they have some very bad habits and it's very, very difficult to break them out of it. So this group was terrific in being able to be properly introduced to the skills of basketball and baseball."

McLean said because of the number girls in the program planned for baseball, their interest was in softball and they shifted their focus.

"The rest of the BVI had better look out, because if these girls continue with their enthusiasm and interest, the East is going to produce a couple of good softball teams and the rest of the BVI will have to reckon with that," he said. "They're a bit raw and you can see potentially, they're going to be very good, because when you have that interest and enthusiasm and you show up, then everything will basically fall in place."

## FOOTBALL

## Festival Cup targets young football players

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

BVI Football Association officials claimed to have attracted over 140 boys and girls during their recent Youth Festival held in Greenland, August 15-16.

The Youth Festival targeted players born 2008-2011 on day one and players 2003-2007 for the second day. The initiative was meant to display the coaching staff's work, in bringing back the youths to a competitive environment where they showcased their technical abilities.

According to a BVIFA statement, association president Andrew Bickerton said that it was great to see so many turn out and the progress being made after the lockdown, the level of competition, the technical standards across both age groups are all very encouraging.

The statement added that Bickerton was also pleased to see the presence of overseas based students who were home and participating in the event. He is said to have congratulated all the coaches and staff involved. These include:

Tinnie Percival, Wayne Phillips, Richie Morton, Javon Carty, Lenroy, "Left" Henry, Cassandra "Cass" Gregg, Jermaine Abrams, Morris Mark, and General Secretary Julianna Luke and her assistant, Jahtoya Rodriguez.

At the end of the second session, awards were presented to the following: MVP: Luka Chalwell. **Best Goalkeeper:** Ollie Henderson. **Best Defender:** Quelani Nickie. **Best Midfielder:** Johari Lacey. **Top Scorer:** Devin Jones.

While all the Youth programs on Tortola, Virgin Gorda and Jost Van Dyke will be continuing, the BVIFA is also moving ahead with its plans to add a Youth League to its player pathways.

Bickerton according to the statement said that the level of interest and enthusiasm shown means that they can be even more optimistic about the success of the National Youth League which the BVIFA is hoping to launch in September.

Meanwhile, In the 2008-2011 grouping, the Reds became the U12 Youth Festival Cup Champions after defeating the Blues 2-1 in the decisive game. Tiondre Frett scored both goals for the Reds, while Christian Vanterpool connected for the Blues' score.

En route to the title, the Reds began with a 2-1 win over the Greens. The Reds' goals came from Othniel Gillings and Charlie Potgeiter, sandwiched by a strike by Latriel "Trellie" Williams. They were then held to a 0-0 draw by the Oranges. In the semifinal, the Reds faced the Greens again, coming out comfortable 3-0 winners with eventual Golden Boot recipient, Gillings firing home a hat trick.

The Blues secured their place in the final, after bouncing back from losing 0-1 to team Orange on a goal by Quinn Poscoe. They then held the Reds to a stalemate before beating the Greens 1-0, to reach the semifinal against the Oranges, which they won 2-1. Vanterpool scored a brace, while Myles Penn netted for the Oranges.

Team Green and Team Orange were also in action, competing in round robin league playoffs to determine the positions for the title game.

In the other games played, Green played Orange to a 1 - 1 draw, with Latriel Williams and Sam Potgieter both finding the net. The Oranges redeemed themselves by defeating the Green team

2-1 to finish third in the competition.

The winning coach was Jeffrey "Zambi" Demming for the Red Team. Chelsea Edwards was judged as MVP. Othneal Gillings earned the Golden Boot award and Akeem Paddy, best goalkeeper. Chelsea Edwards was the best defender and Christian Vanterpool best midfielder.



U17 Football players battle for ball control during their Aug 16 event in Greenland



# SPORTS



*Participants in the Sea Cows Bay Basketball Club's B&B camp in the Eight District*



*M&M Soccer Academy participants at the Althea Scatliffe School grounds*



*Xiimar Grant being guarded K'Morri Daway, as they work on dribbling and defense*



*Trainer Timron Nickie and Sea Cows Bay Basketball Club President Milton McLean, demonstrating a defensive skill*



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# Public Notices

## GINNY WORLDWIDE COMPANY INC.

Company No. 1421930  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that GINNY WORLDWIDE COMPANY INC. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 24th July, 2020 and Mr Allan Dennis Cooper of MWM AG and MWM Financial Services Ltd, Claridenstrasse 36, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland as been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Sgd. Mr Allan Dennis Cooper*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/1]

## GC Corporate Directors Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1667408  
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 23rd July, 2020.  
Dated 24th August, 2020  
*Sgd. SEBASTIAN KERBER*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/2]

## GLOBAL DELTA AIRCRAFT INC.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1811723  
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 23rd July, 2020.  
Dated 24th August, 2020  
*Sgd. PETRA KRESSIER*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/3]

## TOLDINA UNITED S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1569028  
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 23rd July, 2020.  
Dated 24th August, 2020  
*Sgd. ALAIN P. JEHLE*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/4]

## Miracles Holding & Finance Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1463393  
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 17th August, 2020. The Liquidator is Sandy van Thol, of Tanki Leendert 153 M, Aruba.  
Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Sandy van Thol*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/5]

## EMG CORPORATION LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 379039  
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 17th August, 2020. The Liquidator is Gwendolyn Erasmus, of Piedra Plat 49 C, Aruba.  
Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Gwendolyn Erasmus*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/6]

## EMG-KAR CORPORATION LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 379003  
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 17th August, 2020. The Liquidator is Gwendolyn Erasmus, of Piedra Plat 49 C, Aruba.  
Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Gwendolyn Erasmus*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/7]

## EMG-OR CORPORATION LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 379115  
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 17th August, 2020. The Liquidator is Gwendolyn Erasmus, of Piedra Plat 49 C, Aruba.  
Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Gwendolyn Erasmus*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/8]

## Treviso Holding Group Inc.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1900856  
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 19th August, 2020. The Liquidator is Martinho Tadeu Avila Ocampos, of Rua Rio Grande Do Sil 07 - 1410, Jose Menino, Santos - SP, Brazil 11065-660.  
Dated this 24th day of August, 2020  
*Martinho Tadeu Avila Ocampos*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/9]

## Shanhong Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of August 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.  
The Liquidator is:-  
*CHEN Ting* of  
No. 43, Longchi Village,  
Xihu District, Hangzhou City,  
Zhejiang Province,  
China  
[64/10]

## Fanghua Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of August 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.  
The Liquidator is:-  
*CHEN Ting* of  
No. 43, Longchi Village,  
Xihu District, Hangzhou City,  
Zhejiang Province,  
China  
[64/11]

## CHEN JIE Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of August 2020, 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  
Suite C, 13F, No. 918,  
Middle Huaihai Road,  
Huangpu District, Shanghai,  
China  
[64/12]

## BELLACITA FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1557438  
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 August 21st, 2020.  
Dated: August 21st, 2020  
*(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/13]

## Old Oak Management Group Limited

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th August, 2020; 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:-  
*Stefanie Boschat*  
Of 5th Floor, 44 Esplanade  
St Helier  
Jersey  
JE1 3FG  
[64/14]

## Zouping Mingxing Chemical Co Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1737335  
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 21st day of August, 2020. The Liquidator is SONG ZUNXUE of Room 102, Unit 5, Building 1, 8 Huangshan No.2 Road, Zouping County, Shandong Province, China.  
Dated this 25th day of August, 2020  
*Sgd. SONG ZUNXUE*  
  
*SONG ZUNXUE*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/15]

## MANICON INTERNATIONAL LTD

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 21st August, 2020; 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:-Keisha King  
c/o #15 Maxwell Main Road  
Christ Church, BB15042  
Barbados  
[64/16]

## NIDERA GROUP, 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 21 August 2020. The Liquidator is Mr. Carlos Fernando Arbiza Mangiarotti with address at Ing. Luis Giannatassio 551, Ap. 9, paso Carrasco, Canelones, Uruguay.  
Dated: 25 August 2020.  
*(Sgd.) Mr. Carlos Fernando Arbiza Mangiarotti*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/17]

## Mandarin House Global Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1937611  
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 17 day of August 2020. The Liquidator is Ray A. George of Long Trench, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.  
Dated this 17 day of August 2020  
*(Sgd.) Ray A. George*  
*Ray A. George*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/18]

## BlockChain Consulting Global Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1973980  
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 6 August, 2020. The Liquidator is XU Bijun of Blk 8, St. George's Lane, #12-249, Singapore 320008  
Dated 24 August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) XU Bijun*  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[64/19]

## Cherry Fruit Development Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2015777  
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 6 August, 2020. The Liquidator is CHEN Han of 1805, Building 13, No.2, Shangcheng Road, Jiangbei Xinqu, Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province, China.  
Dated 24 August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) CHEN Han*  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[64/20]

## ITIC INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 476789  
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 18 August, 2020. The Liquidator is Harry J. Thompson of Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.  
Dated 24 August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) Harry J. Thompson*  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[64/21]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

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

**MONDEC INTERNATIONAL HOLDING COMPANY LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 197960  
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 19 August, 2020. The Liquidator is **Harry J. Thompson of Harbour House, P.O. Box 4428, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated 24 August, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Harry J. Thompson**  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[64/22]

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

**WORLDWIDE INTERNATIONAL STAR LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 431464  
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 6 August, 2020. The Liquidator is **SHERRY CUTANDA SANTOS of 211 Juan St., Panghulo Obando, Bulacan PHL.**  
Dated 24 August, 2020  
(Sgd.) **SHERRY CUTANDA SANTOS**  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[64/23]

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

**RESOURCES FANCY LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1899033  
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 24th day of August, 2020. The liquidator is **Ms. LU Xiangling of No. 222, Yaonan Road, Miaonan Village, Miao Town, Chongming District, Shanghai, China.**  
Dated: 25th day of August, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Ms. LU Xiangling**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/24]

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

**IDORU CORPORATION**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2027788  
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 24th day of August, 2020. The liquidator is **Zhang Min of Unit 6, 11/F., Prosperity Place, 6 shing Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong.**  
Dated: 25th day of August, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Zhang Min**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/25]

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

**Tescom Group Ltd**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1785597  
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 August 20, 2020. The Liquidator is **Delio José De León Mela with address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.**  
Dated: August 24, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Delio José De León Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/26]

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

**COYLE INTERNATIONAL LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 13747  
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 August 20, 2020. The Liquidators are **Fung Wai Lan and Leung Yee Sun with both address at Room 1102, 11/F, Block E, 331, Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong**  
Dated: August 24, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Fung Wai Lan and Leung Yee Sun**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/27]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.*

**Cool Summer Investment Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1765228  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/28]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.*

**TAGOS INVESTMENTS LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 383615  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/29]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.*

**LANDWELL CAPITAL LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1408948  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Jon ITURRIAGA ACHA**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/30]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.*

**POWNCEBY LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1401379  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Roland Francois Felicie**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/31]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.*

**AMILEM TRADING LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1761305  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Angelos Paphitis**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/32]

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**WEBWORLD SERVICES LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1800864  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Jonathan Sherman**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/33]

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**JNI INTERNATIONAL CO., LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1543890  
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 August 21, 2020.  
Dated: August 24, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Long, Hao**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/34]

**JEBB LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC NO. 7833)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 24th August, 2020 and that **JOSE AYBAR** addressed at **AV. BOLIVAR NO. 230, SECTOR LA JULIA, REPUBLICA DOMINICANA,** has been appointed Liquidator of the company.  
Dated 25th August, 2020  
**JOSE AYBAR**  
Liquidator  
[64/35]

**APPOINTMENT GOSWELL ASSETS INC.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1950711  
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 24th August, 2020. The liquidator name is **Didio Fausto Carrizo Rodriguez of Betania, Dos Mares, Circunvalacion 13500, F-28, Panama City, Republic of Panama.**  
Sgd: **Didio Fausto Carrizo Rodriguez**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/36]

**APPOINTMENT VARSITY CAPITAL S.A.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1950730  
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 24th August, 2020. The liquidator name is **Didio Fausto Carrizo Rodriguez of Betania, Dos Mares, Circunvalacion 13500, F-28, Panama City, Republic of Panama.**  
Sgd: **Didio Fausto Carrizo Rodriguez**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/37]

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

**ALGIDA HOLDING CORP.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th August, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.  
The Liquidator is :-  
**Robin Walser of 600 North Bridge Road #12-09/10 Parkview Square Singapore 188778**  
[64/38]

**Altima Internacional LTD**

Company No. 1764296  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **Altima Internacional LTD,** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 21st August, 2020 and **NIKOLAY LOTUGA, of fl.3 Rudneva lane, 1a, Kyiv, Ukraine** has been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 25th day of August, 2020  
Sgd. **NIKOLAY LOTUGA**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/39]

**ULTIMATE STREAM LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1605956  
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 21st day of August, 2020.  
Dated this 25th day of August, 2020  
Sgd. **Andrey Predtechenskiy**

**Andrey Predtechenskiy**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/40]

**Tempus2 Ventures Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1744096  
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 21st day of August, 2020.  
Dated this 25th day of August, 2020  
**Sgd. Brian Jackson**  
  
**Brian Jackson**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/41]

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

**DEERFIELD UNIVERSAL INC**

(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
BC# 476412  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
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 14 August 2020. The Liquidator is **Stacy Gladys Eli of 28 Cork Street, Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica.**  
Dated 14 August 2020  
**Stacy Gladys Eli**  
(Liquidator)  
[64/42]

**LT GROWTH INVESTMENT IV LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1595584  
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 25th day of August, 2020.  
Dated this 26th day of August, 2020  
**Sgd. XU Fangying**  
  
**XU Fangying**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/43]

**CRAMTON HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(the "Company")  
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR  
NOTICE is hereby given to you pursuant to section 203(3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 (as amended) that you, **Ronan Kuczaj of Belmont Estate, West End, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110** has been appointed as the liquidator of the Company by a resolution of the directors of the Company dated 19th August 2020.  
Dated this 19th day of August 2020  
**Wayne Bannon**  
  
For and on behalf of the  
Board of Directors of Cramton Holdings Limited  
[64/44]



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## ARIEL COMMERCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

Company No. 1826934  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **ARIEL COMMERCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 20th day of August 2020 and **Mustafa Salim Rattansi** of Suite G1, Hartsbourne House Delta Gain, Carpenders Park Watford Wd19 5EF, London, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 26th day of August, 2020  
*Sgd. MUSTAFA SALIM RATTANSI*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/45]

## CELFIC SERVICES LTD

Company No. 1806107  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **CELFIC SERVICES LTD** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 21st day of August 2020 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 26th day of August, 2020  
*Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/46]

## PEMBROOK HOLDINGS CORP.

Company No. 1728653  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **PEMBROOK HOLDINGS CORP.** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 19th day of August 2020 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 26th day of August, 2020  
*Sgd. QUERUBE CASTILLO DE NUÑEZ*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
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*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004*

## BEIGEBROOK LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
("the Company")  
BVI Business Company No. 1882742  
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 14 August 2020 The liquidator is **Philippa V O'Sullivan** of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.  
Dated: 20 August 2020  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/48]

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## KAMELBROOK LTD.

(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. - 1046534  
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 25th August, 2020.  
Dated: 26th August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) Mr. Anthony Graeme Peplar*  
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*(Sgd.) Mr. Anthony Graeme Peplar*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/49]

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## SPICE IMPORT/EXPORT LTD.

(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. - 1438703  
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 25th August, 2020.  
Dated: 26th August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) Mrs. Channele Latoya Sturge-Woods*  
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*Mrs. Channele Latoya Sturge-Woods*  
Liquidator  
[64/50]

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

## ONWELL ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 191992  
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 26th day of August, 2020. The liquidators are **CHAN Wai Mei** and **CHOI Heng Chio Jeremy**, both of 21st Floor, Edinburgh Tower, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.  
Dated: 27th day of August, 2020  
*(Sgd.) CHAN Wai Mei and CHOI Heng Chio Jeremy*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/51]

*OSHMAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED*

Company No. 509311  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **OSHMAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 20th July 2020 and **ALICIA DUSSART ep. DIMITROVA** of Faehruettenstrasse 4, 9477 Truebbach, Switzerland Panama, has been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 20th day of July, 2020  
*Sgd. ALICIA DUSSART ep. DIMITROVA*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[64/52]

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

## THAMIANA ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(the "Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. - 1801464  
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 August 14, 2020.  
Dated: August, 21 2020  
*(Sgd.) Meade Malone*  
Liquidator  
[64/53]

## Trade Department To Process Trade Licences Remotely

The public is advised that the Department of Trade, Investment Promotion and Consumer Affairs will process all trade licences remotely as a result of the Imposition of Curfew No. 28 Order, 2020. Assistance with amendments and processing of trade licences and other requests will be processed through [bvitrade@gov.vg](mailto:bvitrade@gov.vg).

**SAFETY FIRST**  
**BE CAREFUL**  
**BE AWARE**  
**BE SAFE**



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

In the Estate of **John Victor Richardson**, late of 109 Grand Parade Leigh-on-sea SS9 1DW United kingdom, deceased

NOTICE is given that after the expiration of 8 days, an application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the probate of **John Victor Richardson**, late of 109 Grand Parade Leigh-on-sea SS9 1DW United kingdom granted by the High Court of Justice England and Wales, Newcastle District Probate Registry, United Kingdom on the 23rd October 2019.

*Signed: Collas Crill*  
125 Main Street  
Road Town  
Tortola  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant  
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## THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

IN THE ESTATE OF **ANTONIO AUGUSTO SMITH JUNQUEIRA, DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that **Adriana Porto Junqueira** of Rua Desembargador Joaquim Barbosa de Almeida, 471, Alto de Pinheiros, São Paulo - SP, Brazil, child of the deceased and intended Administrator of the Estate of the Deceased who died intestate on the 19th day of November 2019 domiciled in Brazil, has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration in the estate of the said **ANTONIO AUGUSTO SMITH JUNQUEIRA**, deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said **Adriana Porto Junqueira** 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 14th day of August, 2020  
*Harney Westwood & Riegels LP*  
Solicitors for the Administrator  
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## THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

IN THE ESTATE OF **CHEN JINGEN, DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that **Chen Rong** of Room 1801, No 3, Lane 1288, Xikang Road, Putuo District, Shanghai 200060, People's Republic of China and **Chen Hua** of Room 1402, No. 15, 321 Hongsong East Road, Minhang District, Shanghai 201103, People's Republic of China, children and intended Administrators of the Estate of the Deceased who died on the 22nd day of September 2019 in the People's Republic of China, 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 **Chen Jingen**, deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said **Chen Jingen** 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 26th day of August 2020  
*Harney Westwood & Riegels LP*  
Solicitors for the Administrator  
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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**IN THE ESTATE OF ODETTE MAIA SALIBA MARTINS  
MOREIRA, DECEASED**

In the estate of ODETTE MAIA SALIBA MARTINS MOREIRA, late of Rua Santa Catarina, 908, Apt. 1401, Bairro Centro, CEP: 30170-080, Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil, deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Leonardo Capanema Mello Franco Saliba of Rua Santa Catarina, 866, Apt. 1201, Bairro Centro, CEP: 30170-080, Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil, for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 1st day of October 2019 without revoking a Will bearing the date of the 20th day of June 2018 wherein the applicant is named sole executor.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Probate to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated the 14th day of August, 2020

Filed by Leonardo Capanema Mello Franco Saliba whose address for service is c/o Harney Westwood & Riegels LP, Craigmuir Chambers, PO Box 71, Road Town Tortola VG1110, British Virgin Islands

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

**PROBATE NO. BVIHPB OF 2020**

**IN THE ESTATE OF EDUARDO CARAM PATRUS,  
DECEASED**

**Late of Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by CRISTINA GODOI PATRUS and DÉBORA GODOI PATRUS, both of Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the captioned estate.

The deceased died intestate on the 12th day of October, 2017, a divorcé, survived by 2 adult daughters who are the joint applicants herein.

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 the 20th day of August, 2020

Filed by *Simonette Lewis, Attorneys* and Notaries whose address for service is 23 Mill Mall, Wickham's Cay I, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

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**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
VIRGIN ISLANDS  
PROBATE NO 0097 OF 2020**

**IN THE ESTATE OF FOK HON KEUNG (□□□), late of Flat 10A, Tower 1, Dynasty Court, 23 Old Peak Road, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, DECEASED**

**ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF  
PROBATE**

TAKE NOTICE than an application is hereby made to the Registrar by FONG SUI YI ANDREA (□□□) of 6th Floor, Prince's Building, 10 Charter Road, Central, Hong Kong and FONG LEE KONG (□□□) of Room 33, 5th Floor, Block B, Bellevue Court, No. 41 Stubbs Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, the executors, for a grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 31st day of July 2017 without revoking a will bearing the date of 19th day of August 2010 wherein the Applicants are named executors.

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 29th day of August 2020

Filed by Conyers 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) 1001 Email: Allana-J. Joseph@conyers.com

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

**CLAIM NO. BVIHPB2020/**

**IN THE ESTATE OF BELYAKOV ILYA VLADIMIROVICH  
LATE OF 33 SUVOROVSKAYA STR., APT 23, MOSCOW,  
RUSSIA, DECEASED**

**ADVERTISEMENT**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Belyakova Tatiana Valeryevna of 6 Yakimansky Lane, Apt 36, Moscow, Russia and Belyakova Alevtina Nikolaevna of 33 Suvorovskaya str., apt. 23, Moscow, Russia for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the widow and mother of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate in Moscow Russia on 3 September 2017.

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 18th day of August 2020

Filed by *McW. Todman & Co, Attorneys-at Law* for the Administrator whose address for service is:

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

**BVIHPB2020/**

**IN THE ESTATE OF IVOR STEVENS LATE OF DE ROK, CHARLESTOWN, NEVIS, DECEASED**

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the probate of IVOR STEVENS late of De Rok, Charlestown, Nevis granted by the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court at Charlestown, Nevis on the day of 20th day of January 1999.

Signed: J.S. ARCHIBALD & Co.  
Legal Practitioners for the Personal Representatives [64]

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
British Virgin Islands  
IN THE ESTATE OF  
DOREEN RITA CHRISTIAN,  
DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that CLEO AUDREY CHRISTIAN of Horse Path, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands and VIVIAN INEZ ARCHIBALD of Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, the lawful Executrices of the estate of DOREEN RITA CHRISTIAN, deceased who died on 30th April 2020, have applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Probate of the said Last Will and Testament of the Deceased.

Any person or persons who has or have any objections to the Grant of Probate to the aforesaid shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of the Notice, lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands the proper document setting out the said objections.

Filed by: J.S Archibald & Co. Attorneys-at-Law whose address is JIPFA Building, 142 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110

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## Rotary Club of St. Andrew names Sir Hilary Beckles a Paul Harris Fellow

**Regional Headquarters, Jamaica. August 26, 2020— Vice-Chancellor of The University of the West Indies (The UWI), Professor Sir Hilary Beckles, has been named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation, through the Rotary Club of St.**

purpose with the objective of the Rotary Foundation.”

Sir Hilary said that he had long identified with the tenets of the Rotary movement and was “honoured to be named a Paul Harris Fellow.” He praised Mr. Harris as “an extraordinary leader whose vision has

top 1% of universities in the Latin America and Caribbean region; top 1% of Golden Agers (universities between 50-80 years of age) and stands as the only Caribbean university to be ranked by THE.

As Chairman of the Caribbean



*Professor Sir Hilary Beckles (2nd left), Vice-Chancellor of The University of the West Indies (The UWI) and Marie Powell (2nd right), Assistant Governor, Rotary Jamaica, South East, display the instrument naming Sir Hilary a Paul Harris Fellow. Sharing the occasion are Dr Lloyd Eubank Green (left), Past President of the Rotary Club of St Andrew and Minna Israel, a member of the Club.*

Andrew, in recognition of his “extensive work as a thought leader in the field of social justice and minority empowerment.”

Named after the founder of Rotary, Paul Harris, a Chicago lawyer who started Rotary International with three business associates in 1905, the presentation of the Paul Harris Fellow recognition is the Rotary Foundation’s way of expressing its appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programmes.

Marie Powell, Assistant Governor, Rotary, Jamaica Southeast said “Rotarians often designate a Paul Harris Fellow as a tribute to a person whose life demonstrates a shared

resulted in the creation of fellowship across a global network of change makers who are investing personal time, money and expertise into priorities like eradicating disease, promoting peace, reducing poverty, illiteracy, malnutrition and promoting sustainable development.”

Sir Hilary is highly regarded as an economic historian, educator and social activist. Under his leadership, The UWI has achieved three top spots in rankings by Times Higher Education (THE), the globally recognized and world’s most prestigious ranking agency for higher education. Currently, The UWI is placed among the

Community (CARICOM) Reparations Commission, Sir Hilary is leading the region’s call for reparatory justice for the 300 years of slavery in the Caribbean, actively pursuing compensation for the native genocide and African enslavement from the former colonizing nations of Europe.

Sir Hilary joins a list of distinguished Paul Harris Fellows including former US President Jimmy Carter, former Russian President Boris Yeltsin, US Astronaut James Vogel, former United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and polio vaccine developer Jonas Salk.

## Follow The Social Distancing Guidelines On Beaches

The public is notified that beaches are open from 5:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m effective today, August 26 due to the Imposition of Curfew Order (No. 28), 2020.

The public is also reminded that the maximum number of persons allowed to travel in a vehicle at this time is limited to two (2). One of the objectives of the current curfew order is to stop unnecessary movement and allow persons leaving their homes to assist the health teams to effectively carry out their tasks.

The public is also reminded to continue to follow the preventative measures and social distancing guidelines established by the Health Emergency Operations Centre.

## Se Le Insta A Patrocinadores Que Llamen A La Línea De Atención Médica Para Hacere La Prueba De Covid-19

Se insta a las personas que frecuentaron los siguientes establecimientos entre el 15 y el 22 de agosto a hacerse la prueba de COVID-19:

- El bar Ramon en Huntums Ghut
- The Vault en Long Bush
- The Edge en Long Bush
- The Avenue en Mill Mall

Las personas pueden comunicarse con la línea directa COVID-19 al 852-7650 o llamar a la División de Salud Pública al 468-2274 para obtener una referencia. La prueba es gratuita.

También se insta a cualquier persona o familiar que experimente algún síntoma relacionado con COVID-19, como fiebre, tos, dolor de cabeza, fatiga, pérdida del gusto u olfato, dolor de garganta, dolores musculares o dificultad para respirar, que llame para hacerse la prueba.



# Covid-19 and its consequences for Caribbean diplomacy

By Sir Ronald Sanders

The COVID-19 pandemic is severely limiting the work of diplomacy. It could have a lasting adverse effect on international relations if finding a vaccine continues to elude global researchers for much longer.

Critical to the work of diplomacy, at every level, is interpersonal contacts at which relationships are forged, attempts are made to iron-out differences, or, at least, some deal is struck – even if it is to defer divisive decisions.

But the protocols of managing the coronavirus has halted such contacts. Physical meetings and conferences have been replaced by constrained, strait-jacketed, virtual meetings. Restaurants, famous as venues for deal-making, are firmly shut. The result is that off the record discussions are simply not possible. There would be few in the diplomatic world who do not assume that telephone calls, and discussions on virtual digital platforms are not recorded – therefore as little as possible is said, constraining the possibility of compromise.

Since March, it has been impossible for diplomats in international organisations, such as the United Nations bodies and the Organization of American States (OAS), to conduct face to face meetings either in Councils or in one-on-one discussions.

In Washington, for instance, US government buildings, offices of members of the US Congress, and Embassies have been closed to the public with most officials and diplomats forced to work from home. Meetings, conferences, and bilateral discussions have had to be held on virtual digital platforms like Zoom and Kudo. But while these meetings are better than nothing, they are inadequate to the task of diplomacy much of which relies on interpersonal contacts.

The OAS now holds all meetings of its Permanent Council and Committees through a virtual platform. Subsequently, representatives make speeches at each other. Lost is the opportunity for dialogue that could help to bridge the divide between governments. Meetings lack spontaneity and flexibility. Often, they are interrupted by failures in technology.

The most significant injury to multilateral diplomacy is that diplomats cannot negotiate effectively by disembodied virtual means. For example, negotiating resolutions and declarations is a painstaking process in which every word matters. One word could change both meaning and intent. Therefore, great care is placed on the consequences of the use of a word to a country.

As an example, the words “Climate Change” and “Global Warming”, much as they represent existence and survival to small states, conjure a different importance for industrialized countries, particularly those that deny the existence of both phenomena. The intense negotiations, required to reach an understanding, if not an agreement, on the use of these terms, are undercut by the restricted nature of online meetings.

One of the big challenges that the OAS will face in October is how to persuade Foreign Ministers from 33 countries to sit in front of their computers at home over two days to participate in the Organization’s General Assembly, its highest decision-making body. The meeting will be held in

name, but its quality will be gravely undermined.

General Assemblies are more effective for the opportunity they provide for Ministers to talk with each other outside the formal Council. It is in the corridors and in the lounges that problems are overcome, new relationships are forged, and old ones strengthened. There will be no such opportunity this year. Indeed, a raft of new Foreign Ministers, including three new ones from Guyana, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago, will not have the chance to meet their counterparts from the US, Canada, and Latin America.

The problem is also acute at the United Nations both at the levels of the Security Council and the General Assembly. Up to July, the Security Council could not vote on important issues because its rules do not allow for such voting at informal meetings which is how virtual meetings are characterized.

Recently, representatives have gathered physically once a week to vote on some important issues, but, even so, the work of the Security Council is greatly delayed and impaired. Significantly, this has suited the bigger powers that have taken advantage of Security Council paralysis to advance their national positions, and even their rivalry.

Similarly, in the UN General Assembly, no formal electronic voting system has been established because some members still resist it. Consequently, resolutions can only pass by consensus of all member states. Since such consensus cannot be negotiated, only minimal compromises are made. That, too, suits the few giant nations, long intolerant of the many dwarf countries.

All of this makes the world a less safe place. It provides the opportunity for powerful countries, which have the capacity for non-commercial travel, to make arrangements with other countries, outside of the multilateral system. Invariably, these arrangements serve the interests of the more powerful government.

There is no question that meetings held on virtual platforms have proven that they are beneficial for some purposes. If they continue, they will save governments and businesses a great deal of money that, hitherto, had been spent on travel and accommodation.

They should be retained for routine meetings on non-controversial issues.

But for hard-bargaining and on matters that require careful negotiation, virtual meetings are unhelpful to diplomacy whose effectiveness depends on interpersonal contacts, building relationships and the ability to explore possibilities that are not formally on the table.

Small states, like those in the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) are being left out – and left behind. Unlike powerful states, they need a functioning multilateral system in which to represent their interests – right now that system is fractured even more than it was prior to COVID-19.

The effects of the pandemic have limited the diplomacy of Caribbean state, including their capacity to negotiate with the nations whose policies most greatly affect them.

This situation calls for more cohesive policies by CARICOM governments and collective action by all of them in every international organisation.



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## Vision is Key to Success

American billionaire, mega financier Warren Buffett a few years ago told *The Economist* that anything good that happened to him “could be traced back to the fact that he was born in the right country...at the right time (1930)”.

We are confident that there are many successful BV Islanders who feel that anything good that happened to them had a lot to do with the fact that they were born here (or they belong here) and that they came on the scene at a time when business was growing to levels beyond the wildest imagination.

Many years ago we published an editorial that stated that **real leaders are tested in troubled times, not in good times.** This remains true, now more than ever. In Buffett's case, being in the right place at the right time played a decisive role in his life. To varying degrees this can be true for most of us.

Up to not too long ago BVI leaders had been born before or during World War II. They knew first hand what hardship was, they knew their roots, and they had vision. No wonder that the late H. Lavity Stoutt's most successful motto was “Where there is no vision the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18).

As time went by, the post-war generation gradually replaced the pioneer leaders, and as we entered the new millennium the next generation born in the 1960s and 1970s began securing solid positions in the political arena.

We seem to come full circle: from the leaders who went through rough times, to those who saw and learnt what it took to be successful, to the generation raised in the age of plenty in whose hands the collective destiny of the BVI now lies.

Times have changed and the global economic crisis is here to stay for quite a while. The 2017 hurricanes recovery is still underway, but COVID has set in to complicate everything. That does not mean that there will be little or no opportunity for growth, quite the contrary -- there might be more than we expect, but our leaders must be focused, honest, and must have a clear and sharp vision and be in the right place at the right time.

Every new generation is labeled with incompetence, arrogance and lack of vision; yet experience has shown us that the leaders we had misgivings about were instrumental in piloting developments that changed our destiny for the better. Two simple examples come to mind: do you remember the vitriolic opposition H. Lavity Stoutt had to endure when he launched the Community College? And has everyone really understood the importance of the International Business Companies legislation introduced by the Cyril B. Romney government in the mid-1980s? Those two examples are real milestones that will consign to posterity true leaders like Stoutt and Romney.

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