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BELONGERSHIP AND RESIDENCY ARE **PRIVILEGES: PREMIER SAYS**

His Excellency Governor John Rankin has complained to the FCO about the manner the BVI Government has been handling the Immigration reforms mentioned in the Commission of Inquiry Recommendations. The King's Representative in this Territory in his Quarterly Review on the implementation of the Commission of Inquiry on 4 October reminded that the Commission of Inquiry Report found that the BVI Government had been applying an unlawful policy by requiring 20 years of residency before an application for Belongership could be lodged. His Excellency further said that following the release of the report the government



committed to a timeline to reform this matter.

The Governor noted: "The Framework document states that "Cabinet commits to follow existing legislation on residency threshold (minimum of 10 years) pending completion of the review under Recommendation B33", with a deadline of 1 June 2022. The Premier recommitted to applying this policy in a public statement on 21 July 2022."

However, in his October update the Governor pointed out that things were not proceeding as they should. He said: "I am aware that a number of individuals have experienced difficulties with applications made since June, including not being given receipts for submission. I have raised this with the Premier as the Minister responsible for

Immigration. I understand that the increase in the number of applications received in the period under review has posed some challenges for the Immigration Department."

"Nevertheless, it is important that the Government fully implements its commitment to follow existing legislation on the residency threshold, and to accept and process applications on that basis, pending completion of the review under COI Implementation B33. I am not currently fully satisfied that this is happening. I will continue to monitor this issue over the coming months," Governor Rankin added.

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The King's Representative further mentioned that the COI recommendation and subsequent reform arrangement called for a special appointment which is yet to happen. "The appointment of a reviewer to "lead a review of the existing policy and processes for granting residency and Belongership status, including the open discretion of Cabinet to grant such statuses and the length of residence required for belongership, among other things" to implement COI Recommendation B33 has yet to be confirmed. immigration reform,

I continue to consult with the Premier on the appointment for this important work," the Governor pointed out.

Premier Says Immigration Reform Moving Ahead

In his response to the Governor's report Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley assured that work is proceeding on the immigration reform that was recommended in the COI report. The BVI Leader in his 5 October announcement stated that preparatory work on this matter was ongoing.

Hon. Wheatley said: "Where it concerns

the work to bolster the processes and systems in the Immigration Department has continued in order to expand the department's capacity to meet the increased demands upon its services. This will enable internal processes to move much more swiftly."

In his first response to the COI Recommendation on Immigration Reform Hon. Wheatley in an announcement on 25 July pointed out that like most other countries, the Government of the Virgin Islands has an immigration regime in place to select persons to whom residency can be granted.

residency for Belongership is a privilege, not a right. "It is important to make this clear. And because residency for this purpose is a privilege and not a right, Government has developed arrangements to determine who has earned that privilege."

Hon. Wheatley also noted that residency for Belongership is not automatically granted based on the duration of time in the Territory. And the number of years spent cannot be the sole determining factor in granting Belongership.

He explained that He further pointed out that while applications for residency for such a purpose can be submitted as early as 10 years under the law, there is a process that must be followed to consider whether applicants have earned the privilege of being granted residency.

> One foreigner that resided in the BVI forty years commented: "It is no privilege, the privilege was for the BVI to have a honest and hardworking foreigner in the BVI for all those years - at least say thank you!." He further agreed on what the Governor had to say: "High time!"

JURYLESS TRIALS NOT CONSIDERED IN NEW JURY ACT

During the 18 October was for a wider selection debate of the Virgin Islands Jury Act 2022 a number of concerns about some of the amendments were made by various legislators. The Bill before the House of Assembly aimed to fix many issues that have been reported over the years as it relates to the local jury pool. In fact, the new legislation is aiming to fix the jury availability situation by allowing longtime residents in the Territory to be able to sit on the jury.

One of the considerations for the legislation was the fact that one of the recommendations of the Commissioner of Inquiry

of jurors. In the COI report Hickinbottom even stated that thoughts should be given towards have a judgeonly-trial, "I recommend that consideration is given to revising the Jury Act in two respects. First, consideration should be given to increasing the size of the pool of jurors by (e.g) changing the criteria to enable those who are long-term residents to sit on juries. Second, consideration should be urgently given to granting the court wider powers to hear judge-only criminal trials."

This particular Sir Gary Hickinbottom suggestion did not sit well with Opposition Leader and Third District Representative Hon. Julian Fraser who commented during the debate of the Bill said that he was curious to see if such a suggestion would be entertained.

In fact, Hon. Fraser referred to the notion of judge-only trial as a travesty, "The horror that I heard about this that I was waiting for was trials without a juror or jury and that peaked my ears. I was wondering to myself who in their right mind could ever contemplate such a travesty of justice, where a person will be deprived of one of the fundamental cornerstones of justice,

which is to be tried by his own peers, a jury of his peers, and turn that responsibility over to a single judge," Hon. Fraser said.

While heaving a sigh of relief that the suggestion was not taken into consideration, the Leader of the Opposition pointed out: "I'm glad that this is not in this bill. I heard the premier mentioned as being part of the recommendations from the Hickinbottom report, it just goes to show, Madam Speaker, the depths to which they were willing to go."

The suggestion of having juryless trials was of concern to residents who questioned whether the new legislation was going to include such a suggestion. However, Premier. Natalio Wheatley explained that this was not something the government was keen on.

He stated: "I just want to make sure the public understands that this bill does not deal with juryless trials. I'm just seeking to provide some clarity mainly for the public. The subject of juryless trials came up in the COI. There were two recommendations: that consideration is given to expanding the jury pool and consideration be given to juryless trials. But that (juryless trials) is not being considered for this bill."

FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK NEEDS SERIOUS URGENT HELP

The Family Support Network (FSN) which is a nonprofit organization in the Territory that among other things helps persons in need with food and other important items is once again calling on the community for help. The FSN is currently observing October as Domestic Violence awareness month is said to be in dire need of food for its pantry.

The call for help was made by David Penn who is a member of the FSN's Board of Directors. Penn who

role that the Family Support Network plays in the BVI said that the organization currently needs to help persons and businesses across the BVI.

In explaining the need Mr. Penn stated: "We are experiencing increasing demands from our clients for food and basic sanitary supplies. The need has risen significantly over the last three months, to such a level that I am compelled to reach out to the wider community

alluded to the important in an effort to encourage support of the FSN through contributions to our now perilously depleted pantry inventory."

> While listing a number of required food and other needed items the Board Member said, "I thought the best thing to do to is to post our list of needed items to our Community Boards, and for two reasons: to garner relief in short order so that the pantry stocks can be quickly replenished, and to send the message that we

any item in any quantity."

He further added, "The FSN Board recognizes the \$5,000.00 donations from the materially blessed among us AND the single tin of sardines that those of lesser means will contribute are equal in measure. We are just as, if not more, grateful for your gift."

Penn also alluded to the domestic violence support that the Family Support Network provides to abused families across the Territory and he also called on the

appreciate any donation of community to help in this regard: "The FSN strives to fill the serious needs of the helpless, providing support, and safety for those in our community who have, through no fault of their own, fallen victim to abuse in all its interpretations. Help us to help. Until the least of us has access to the basic necessities, rights, and comforts of not just life, but dignified life, we have failed as a community," the Board Member pointed out.

OUTRAGE FOR NEW HOLIDAY THAT WIPES OUT "ST. URSULA DAY" AND WOMEN

On Monday 17 October who built the Virgin Islands," the Territory celebrated the second Heroes and Foreparents Territorial holiday, but some persons in the community said that it would have been better that the day remain the "St Ursula's Day" holiday that it had been for years. This sentiment was expressed by women in particular who felt it was disrespectful that the official flyer for the holiday only featured male "heroes". A God-fearing citizen told this newspaper that removing St. Ursula Day from a list of mostly "politically convenient" holidays was blasphemy": "Don't be surprised if God himself will fix this piece of ignorance".

Although the text on the flyer stated that the holiday is a time to "reflect and honor the men and women

some persons explained that the appropriate thing to have done was to include a female in the flyer visual.

One of the persons who commented that the holiday seemed more male focused was Junior Minister for Trade Hon. Shereen Flax-Charles. The legislator said, "I suppose whoever did the flyer couldn't think on ONE BVI WOMAN that has done anything significant. It is insulting and shameful. Every day it Is a fight for women and the Sister islands."

"I refuse to use this flyer on anything I post today. I respect and love the men and their contributions but this is a blatant exclusion of women. There is absolutely no excuse for this," Hon Flax-Charles further stated.

In a subsequent post the Legislator said: "As young as it may be, our Territory has seen exponential progress in its economic and social development over the course of its brief history. We owe our advancement and success over the years to our fore-parents, the legendary men and women of decades gone, who championed the cause of national development, unity, and identity. On days like today, my spirit doesn't just dwell with those names which have become commonplace in our history books, but also with those many whose silent contribution may not have earned them accolades, but certainly laid the way."

"I think today of the hospitality workers who would've been a part of creating the first legacy

moments of our newly established resorts. I think of the young returning lawyers who helped to create the framework on which our financial services industry stands. I think of dedicated medical professionals who braved the seas weekly to ensure the sister islands had proper access to care. I think of the many families who opened their homes so that young students could have a chance at education. I think of business people who silently and selflessly made donations to the academic, professional and entrepreneurial careers of underprivileged youth," she added.

Another person who blasted the flyer was community activist Cindy Rosan who commented: "On the first Heroes & Forefathers day, we begged for women to be recognized. The name was

then changed to 'Heroes & Foreparents Day'. Here we are two celebrations later, still begging that our women be recognized. Do we get it or not?! Or do we only respond to pressure? Who has time for the continued Disrespect?"

Rosan was referring to the complaint she made in 2021 when the first Heroes and Forefather's day holiday was celebrated and it also was felt that there was male preference. At that time the social commentator announced, "Let's have a little chit chat. In a modern, inclusive, woke time as this, our 'male dominated' society, chooses to once more, be toned deaf, and express its sexist, male chauvinist character. In a society where more than 50% of our population is female, we introduce a 'Hero & Forefathers' Day. In the year 2021."

2022 CIBC FIRSTCARIBBEAN WALK FOR THE CURE SEES RECORD PARTICIPATION

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, October 14, 2022 - More than 300 walkers registered for the 2022 CIBC FirstCaribbean Walk for the Cure which took place on Tortola, BVI on Saturday, October 8. The event organising committee and BVI Cancer Society were impressed with the record numbers that turned up before daybreak to walk or run 5 miles for a cause that touches everyone in some

"This year's participation in the Walk for the Cure has exceeded our expectations and we are highly encouraged by the feedback we have received from walkers, some of whom have shared their personal stories and reasons for taking part and all of whom have marked their calendars to take part next year," said Walk Manager Fabian Devonish, Branch Manager, Retail, Platinum and Business Banking, CIBC FirstCaribbean.

"The walk not only helps to raise awareness of the disease and bring in funds to assist the invaluable work of the BVI Cancer Society in the community, but also serves to bring people together who share a common thread of being impacted by cancer in one way or another. CIBC Society express their deep gratitude for the support of the sponsors, donors in-kind and participants in this year's campaign which set out to raise \$50,000 to help fight cancer in the BVI," said Devonish.

The community was represented by a cross-section of residents of all ages with the oldest participant, 86year old Robin Pinfold, among the first to return to the bank after setting off at 5:30am on the roundtrip route to Sea Cow's Bay. The BVI Public Health Unit joined members of the BVI Cancer Society in serving refreshments while Capriccio di Mare delivered "breakfast pizzas" for all to enjoy.

"I am overwhelmed with the number of sponsors, donors and people that came out to walk," said Gloria Fahie, President of the BVI Cancer Society. "We have never been as busy with on-the-day registration as this year. I speak for our charitable organisation when I say a big "thank you" to the bank and to the community for the support."

Funds generated from the walk are used primarily to assist with the purchase and maintenance of

FirstCaribbean and the BVI Cancer equipment used in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer patients. They are also used to provide assistance, care and counseling to patients and their families. The funds also go towards promoting the importance of early detection through education campaigns across the region.

> "Each year, as we help patients and their families navigate the course of dealing with cancer, we see many who have heard our message to self-check and to get checked as early detection has a high success rate in terms of survival. But sadly, we also see a great number who leave it too late and this Walk for the Cure campaign carries an urgent call to action. We remind anyone going through this turmoil that while you may be strong alone, we are unstoppable together," said Ms. Fahie.

The Walk for the Cure was supported by local corporate sponsors to include Diamond sponsors, Tradewinds, Walkers; Gold sponsors Harneys, O'Neal Webster; Silver sponsors BCQS, Captain Mulligans Ltd, Conyers, Island Sun, Maples, Nagico, CG Insurance; Bronze sponsors Alphonso Warner Insurance Agency, Advocates BVI, Capriccio di Mare, Carey Olsen, Caribbean Insurance Limited, CCT, Coldwell Banker, Driftwood Spa, FLOW, HikeBVI, Premier Dental, Smiths Gore, Sol, Top Priority Security, Tradewinds Mexican Grill and Trellis Bay Market, Bar & Grill.

The total sums raised are being tallied as donations and contributions continue to be collected through October, which also breast cancer awareness month.

The Walk for the Cure is an annual event which grows in popularity with each successive year. The community is encouraged to join in the activities in 2023 when the fundraising campaign kicks off with a new target to reach. Family oriented activities such as Men in Pink, Hike for the Cure and Hunt for the Cure will start in June and lead into the walk in October. Organisations who want to find out more about sponsorship opportunities should contact Mr. Devonish by email at fabian.devonish@cibcfcib.com

The walk, which began as part of the celebrations to mark the bank's 10th anniversary across its 16-member footprint, has raised over USD\$3 million over the past ten years.

OVER 80 SISTER ISLAND RESIDENTS TRAINED IN SAILING PRACTICES

More than 80 persons from across the Sister Islands are now equipped with sail safe training skills following their participation in a series of workshops.

The training was conducted on the sister islands of Virgin Gorda, Jost Van Dyke, and Anegada through a collaborative effort by the Office of the Deputy Governor, in collaboration with Department of Disaster Management, H.M. Customs, Virgin Islands Search and Rescue (VISAR) and BVI Red Cross. Topics covered included safety on the seas, boating laws and regulations, a First Aid refresher and VHF radio training.

Sister Islands Coordinator, Ms. Sasha Flax stated that workshops provided useful knowledge and skills that that would enable persons to prepare for the upcoming tourist season.

"With the upcoming tourist season and so many persons employed in various areas of the marine industry, it was fitting to play a part in building the capacity of this sector. Participants were engaged, played a role in several demonstrations and were able to learn the basics when it comes to safety on the seas," Ms. Flax said.

"We look forward to building the capacity in more sectors as time progresses," she added.

Following the success of the workshop on the sister islands, there will be an upcoming session on Tortola on Friday, November 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Edris O' Neal Conference Room at BVI Red Cross. Individuals can telephone 468-9721 or email sisterislandsoffice@gov.vg. to register.

The goal of the Sister Islands Programme is to promote and facilitate the execution of projects designed to bring about sustained improvement in the quantity, quality and delivery of Government services.







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James Frett Building, Wickhams Cay, Road Town, Tortola Major Bay, East End/Long Look, Tortola

Cable & Wireless Charitable Foundation Supports WIN BVI with Internet Connectivity for Vulnerable Families

Road Town, Tortola, Thursday, October 13, 2022 – Five families of the Women In Need (WIN) BVI network will receive internet connectivity to support hybrid classroom activities, compliments of Flow, through the Cable & Wireless Charitable Foundation (CWCF).

Flow's Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Nadia James, spoke recently at an event where Flow presented LTE Router devices to WIN BVI officials. James explained that connectivity, education and youth development are among the company's key focus areas when considering community service initiatives. She added that Flow, through the CWCF, was honored to be given the opportunity to partner to provide access, and to support the learning needs of children

within the WIN BVI Network for the period of one year. James also took the opportunity to encourage other corporate entities within the BVI's business community to also support the organization.

"The Cable & Wireless Charitable Foundation recognizes the importance of bridging the digital divide. In keeping with the Foundation's mission of enabling progress and building resilient



communities, we will continue to identify innovative solutions to ensure that our people are not left behind." Noelle Smikle, Director, Cable & Wireless Charitable Foundation

Director of WIN BVI, Alicia Greene thanked Flow for the donation and gave attendees details of the work being undertaken by the organization, particularly with the launch of its Single Parents program, and the efforts to support parents and children through coaching, mentorship and financial literacy classes. She also highlighted a number of upcoming fundraisers and encouraged the public to support the initiatives which include a 'Back in Time' Party and their second annual 'Balloon Pop' event.

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PROGRAM LISTINGS

MONDAYS

- (1:00 PM) OMOJA WITH EDJU EN KA
- (5:00 PM) TALKING POINTS WITH MRS. VIOLET GAUL
- (7:00 PM) INSPIRATION MONDAYS WITH MEADE MALONE
- (7:30 PM) TRANSFORMING YOUR TOMORROW TODAY BY TRANSFORMATION
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- CHURCH INTERNATIONAL
- (8:00 PM) NDP RADIO PROGRAM (1ST & 3RD MONDAYS) BY THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY
- (8:00 9:00 PM) NEW COVENANT PRAYER LINE (EVERY 2ND MONDAY) NEW COVENANT MINISTRIES

TUESDAYS

• (5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

WEDNESDAYS

- (10:00 AM) THE MORNING SHOW WITH PAUL HEWLETT
- (1:15 PM) OMOJA WITH "EDJU EN KA"
- (7:00 8:00 PM) DYAS VOICE PROGRAM (2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY) WITH DEPT. OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
- (7:00 9:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. (1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY)
- (8:00 10:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. (2ND WEDNESDAY) WITH CARL DAWSON, JULIAN GORDON, AND WALWYN BREWLEY

THURSDAYS

•(5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

FRIDAYS

-(7:00 - 8:00 PM) BODY AND SOUL PROGRAM - WITH REV. DR. PASTOR MELVIN TURNBULL, DR. KEDRICK PICKERING, REV. MICHAEL ANTHONY, PASTOR CALVIN MILLS, AND REV. DR. KEITH LEWIS

SATURDAYS

- (8:00 10:00 AM) MORE TALK, LESS MUSIC WITH ZOE AND JOE JACK
- •(10:00 11:00 AM) KNOWLEDGE IS POWER HOUR
- (4:30 6:00 PM) SPORTS TALK WITH CLEMENT "BONE CRUSHER" DONOVAN, AND ROY PICKERING (ALTERNATING WEEKS)
- (6:00-7:30~PM)~A~LOOK~AT~THE~COMMUNITY~WITH~HOSTS~ULRIC~SCATLIFFE~&~DR.~HARLAN~VANTERPOOL~ACCUSATION FROM COMMUNITY~WITH~HOSTS~ULRIC~SCATLIFFE~ACCUSATION FROM COMMUNITY~ULRIC~SCATLIFFE~ACCUSATION FROM COMMUNITY

SUNDAYS

- (7:15 7:30 AM) HOPE FOR TODAY B'CAST BY: CHRISTIAN FAITH ASSEMBLY
- (7:30 7:45 AM) VOICE OF THE LAMB B'CAST BY: TRINITY MORAVIAN CHURCH
- (7:45 8:00 AM) ADVENT EYE MINISTRY (2ND & 4TH SUNDAY) BY: BRO. MICHAEL WILLIAMS
- $(7:45-8:00\,\mathrm{AM})\,\mathrm{FAITH}\,\mathrm{BELIEVING}\,\mathrm{B'CAST}\,(\mathrm{IST}\,\&\,3\mathrm{RD}\,\mathrm{SUNDAY})\,\mathrm{-}\,\mathrm{BY}\!\mathrm{:}\,\mathrm{UPPER}\,\mathrm{ROOM}\,\mathrm{DELIVERANCE}\,\,\mathrm{TABERNACLE},\\\mathrm{BOSTON},\mathrm{MA}$
- (8:00 8:15 AM) VOICE OF HOPE B'CAST BY: APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH
- (8:30 9:00 AM) GOSPEL OF JESUS B'CAST BY: GOSPEL OF JESUS EVANGELISTIC PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
- (9:00 9:30 AM) SHOCKING BIBLE PROPHECIES BY: SEVENTHDAY ADVENTISTS CHURCHES
- $(9:30-9:45~\mathrm{AM})$ AGAPE TOTAL LIFE BROADCAST BY: AGAPE TOTAL LIFE CENTER
- (9:50 AM) HOLINESS AWAKENING B'CAST BY: CHURCH OF GOD OF HOLINESS, BAUGHERS BAY
- (10:05 AM) REVEALED TRUTH B'CAST BY: SHAMMAH DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES
- (10:35 AM) UNSHACKLED RADIO MINISTRY
- (12:30 PM) ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SEA COWS BAY SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
- •(1:30 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (EXCEPT 2ND SUNDAY)
- (4:30 PM) HYMNS & THEIR MEANINGS PROG. (1ST & 3RD SUNDAY) WITH BRENDA HERBERT STEWART
- (6:00 PM) METHODIST CHURCH MONTHLY SERVICE (1ST SUNDAY)
- (6:00 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (2ND SUNDAY)
- $\left(7:00\text{ PM}\right)$ YOUR GOSPEL MUSIC PROGRAM WITH VALERIE LETTSOME AND CLAUDE PARILLON (LAST 3 SUNDAYS)
- (7:30 PM) "VICTORIOUS PRAISES' B'CAST WITH SIS. ESMIE POTTER (2ND SUNDAY)

MONEY MATTERS BVI: READING IS FUN WEEK 2022: "I CAN SAVE TOO!"

Tortola, British Virgin Islands – 19 October 2022 – During 'Reading is Fun Week' 2022 – 9th to 15th October, MONEY MATTERS BVI serviced seven local schools, which included thirteen grade groups of over 200 students collectively. MONEY MATTERS BVI personnel read Mac Gardner's –

'The Four Money Bears' to grades 3-4 primary students and held lively discussions with them at the end. Students were keen to share their ideas regarding how they, like the Bears in the story, could create balance for themselves in the future and support their parents' financial goals when it comes to giving, saving, investing, and spending their money.

Meanwhile, senior students at Cedar International School were introduced to Napoleon Hill's Specialized Knowledge as a step to creating wealth from the book 'Think and Grow Rich'.MONEY MATTERS BVI personnel guided students in demonstrating the effectiveness of a Mastermind Group.

One teacher from St. Georges Primary expressed that she was keen to see MONEY MATTERS BVI return for future student presentations, noting that she believed the approach and style of teaching used would encourage her students to read more. Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the BVI Financial Services Commission—Mr Kenneth Baker, noted that he was glad that MONEY MATTERS BVI was able to take part in the Week. He further stated that financial literacy was "just as important as the other types of literacy since, without it ,there can be significant negative consequences for both the community and students themselves as they enter the financial decision-making phase of life".

Keys To New Home Delivered Under Social Home Programme

"Homeowner, Ms.
Bernerdean Brazier and
her family have received
the keys to a brand new
home as part of the
Government of the Virgin
Islands Housing Recovery
Assistance Progarmme

Ms Brazier who was previously displaced by the hurricanes of 2017 received the keys to her new home during a short handover ceremony on Thursday October 13.

Minister for Health and Social Development Honourable Marlon Penn said the initiative of delivering social homes is important to persons who may not have the means to build homes from the ground up. Honourable Penn said "this is something that I was a part of in 2018 when I was minister and I am happy to see the support for deserving families materialize."

"We are excited for this opportunity to hand over this home and many more to come in the coming weeks and months. It is a good initiative and it is one that we will continue to fund in the next budget cycle to bring more relief and

support to persons in need," Honourable Penn stated.

"I am very happy I really appreciate the Government doing this for me. We have our own home and I thank God and everyone who did it for us. I really appreciate it," an elated Ms. Brazier said.

The home was built by Lawrence Wheatley Construction and is located in Greenland Tortola.

A total of 18 social homes have been built while over 200 homes have been repaired since the commencement of the programme. Currently, nine social home projects are at various stages of the public tendering process with two more new constructions scheduled to be completed by next

month for homeowners on Anegada and Jost Van Dyke. The Ministry of Health and Social Development is committed to improving the health and wellbeing of the people of the Virgin Islands.











TENDERS FOR SECURITY SERVICES

The B.V.I. Electricity Corporation is inviting tenders for Security Services for its premises at Long Bush and Pockwood Pond for the calendar year 2023.

The Corporation has the right to accept or reject any tender and to annul the tendering process and reject any tenders at anytime prior to the award of the contract without thereby incurring any liability to the affected tenderer or tenderers and is under no obligation to give any reason for such action.

Instruction to the Tenderers

Tenderers are required to furnish the following:

- a) Good Standing certificates in respect of Social Security, National Health Insurance and Taxes including Payroll taxes and Property Taxes.
- b) Certificate of Good Standing from Commercial Registry.
- c) Trade License.
- d) Independently audited financial statements for the last two financial years.
- e) Names of local agent and curriculum vitae outlining the professional skills and qualifications of the Manager, including details of experience in the field.

The tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with "Tender for Security Services 2023" and the tenderers return address. These tenders must be addressed to:-

The General Manager B.V.I. Electricity Corporation P.O. Box 268 Road Town, Tortola VG 1110 British Virgin Islands

Closing date for submission of tenders is Monday, October 31, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

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RDA Request For Expressions Of Interest - Consultancy Services For A Social And Gender Safeguards Specialist

Government of Virgin Islands (GOVI) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to US\$65,291,000 towards the cost of CDB No. 12/SFR-OR-BVI: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan - Hurricane Irma Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOVI and upon approval by CDB and will besubject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibitswithdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, ifsuch payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council takenunder Chapter VII of the Charter of the United

Nations. No party other than GOVI shall derive any rights from the FinancingAgreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The Virgin Islands Recovery and Development Agency, the Executing Agency, now wishes to procure the services of a Social and Gender Safeguards Specialist for the assignment in relation to the development/revision and then implementation of the RDA policies and procedures.

The objective of the consultancy is to facilitate the participation of communities in the planning, implementation design, and monitoring phases of infrastructure projects, integrating social and gender considerations into the Project, while managing stakeholders and liaising with the affected communities in a socially inclusive and gender-responsive manner. The assignment is expected to be executed on a fulltime basis over an initial period of One (1) year.

The Virgin Islands Recovery

and Development Agency now invites interested eligible individual consultants to submit Expressionsof Interest indicating qualifications and experience required to provide these consultancy services.

Consultants shall be eligible to participate if:

 (a) the persons are citizens or bona fide residents of an eligible country; and

(b) in all cases, the consultant has no arrangement and undertakes not to make any arrangements, whereby any substantial part of the net profits or other tangible benefits of the contract will accrue or be paid to a person not acitizen or bona fide resident of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 5.15 and 5.17 of Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (2019), setting forth CDB's policy on conflict of interest for the selection of

consultants

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to qualifications and experience on similar assignments.

All information must be submitted in English. Further information including a copy of the Terms of Reference may beobtained from the first address below between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday to Friday.

Electronic copies of the Expressions of Interest must be received at the first address below no later than 4:00 PM on Friday 28 October 2022 and one electronic copy must be sent simultaneously to CDB at the second address below. Each submission must be a single PDF file, with a maximum file size of 30MB. The body of the email submission should include the name and address of the applicant and the subject of the email shall be, "Expression of Interest -Consultancy Services for Social and Gender Safeguards Specialist"

Following the assessment of submissions, the most technically capable and appropriately

experienced applicant will be invited to negotiate a contract to provide the consultancy services. The Virgin Islands Recovery and Development Agency reserves theright to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assignany reason for not engaging the services of any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

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St. George's Schools



St. George's Schools are searching for the following vacancy to be filled for the school year 2022-2023:

Music Teacher with the ability to play at religious services

Candidates must possess teaching experience and requisite music certification at the level for which the application is being submitted. Applicants must be members in good standing in a Christian denomination, and must espouse the Christian values of the Kingdom of God as proclaimed in the Gospel.

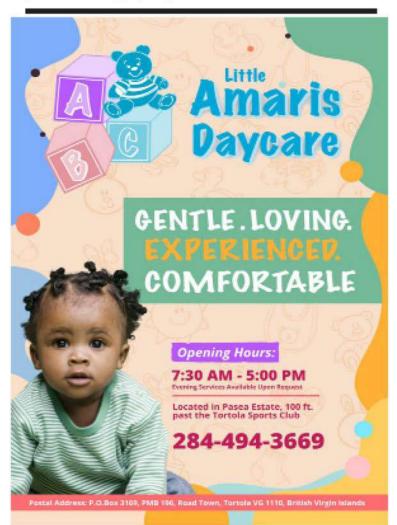
Consideration will also be given to the candidate who is energetic, a team player and who is willing to support the continuing development of the St. George's Schools.

Applications must include a cover letter, complete academic records, including a transcript and copies of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, as well as two character references.

All applications should be addressed to: The Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, St. George's Schools and emailed to:

sgps@stgedotvi.org (for primary applications)

sgss@stgedotvi.org (for secondary applications) no later than November 15th, 2022.



Senior Client Advisor

Your challenge

We are planning to hire a Senior Client Advisor. He/she is responsible for the bank's investment and business transaction functions and cooperates closely with the head of the Client Business team and other team members in ensuring the efficiency of the bank's operations with an emphasis on business development and management of high value asset relationships.

He/she liaises with clients either personally or via phone, letter or e-mail and assists them in all their banking needs. In addition, the Senior Client Advisor is involved with the preparation of detailed investment proposals for clients and prospects as well as payments verifications, securities and derivatives trading and e-banking matters. He/she liaises with our head office/other VP Bank Group subsidiaries as needed. In line with the whole banking team, he/she is responsible that the bank's client records are in good order and ensures that office procedures and group / external regulations as well as internal and external AML requirements are followed.

The successful candidate must be familiar with the investment advisory process in line with MiFID and other regulatory standards. You will have a strong understanding of company financial analysis as well as market and macro-economic data and news. Knowledge of credit matters, particularly Lombard loans, is expected. Additionally, you will have broad experience with the different structures and investment vehicles used in the BVI. Experience in the trust and corporate services industry would be highly beneficial.

The position requires strong interpersonal skills. You are a driven and solutionoriented person with team-player qualities and a hands-on enterprising attitude,

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confirmed by appropriate CV and references. You will have demonstrated a high degree of commitment and a proven track record in delivering high-quality and timely service. Success or failure in the role is determined to a large degree by internal and external customer satisfaction, as well as the degree to which the candidate is perceived as a team player by his/her colleagues.

Your profile

You are currently a banking professional with a strong investment background. You are a driven and solution-oriented individual, an ideas person firmly committed to business development (which will require travel). You have excellent written and interpersonal communication skills as well as excellent organisation, leadership, negotiation and presentation skills. You have a minimum of 10 years' professional experience in an international banking context, managing a global client base. You will also have trading experience in global securities and derivatives, including equities, bonds, foreign exchange, precious metals, futures and options across main global markets, with an appropriate trading and/or relevant professional qualification (at least at BSc. Level).

Your next steps

Interested? Provide us with your application, including resume:

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31 Become British Overseas Territories Citizens

Thirty one (31) persons recited the Oath of Allegiance and Pledge of Loyalty last week to complete the process of becoming British Territories Citizens

J. Rankin CMG congratulated the new citizens during a naturalisation ceremony at Government House and reminded them that with this citizenship status comes great

freedoms you now enjoy also come with new responsibilities, moral responsibilities as well as legal ones. To uphold our shared values - including respect for



(BOTC) of the Virgin Islands. His Excellency the Governor John

responsibility. The Governor said, "The new

democratic rights and freedoms and respect and concern for others less fortunate than ourselves."

"I hope as you exercise your new freedoms for travel and employment, you will never forget that you will be ambassadors for the British Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom, where your contribution to the development of this community has already been substantial," the Governor added.

The 31 new BOTCs are: Mathurine Joseph-Angelo Deba Carolyn Layne-Bharat Shun Ray Alaska Browne Beverley Ann Clarke Egbert Nathaniel Clarke Vanessa Renee Antonette Cooper Paulette Angela Creary Rayonne Tamara Victor-Frett Janette Antiape Louisy Mervin Louisy Gillian Sarah Niles-John Corinne Romina Moses-King Shamika Brianna Langford Tiffany Hadassah Maduro **Evelyn Venicia Maturine** Denise Wilmar Carey-McKennon Dawson Samuel Strothie

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NOTICE TO TENDERERS

PTN No. 33 of 2022

The Government of the Virgin Islands is seeking the services of a qualified and suitable construction contractor to undertake the Repairs of the East End/Long Look Community Centre on Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

SCOPE OF WORKS

The proposed works comprise of: furnishing all plant, labor, equipment and materials and performing all operations in connection with the phase 2, Repairs to the East End/Long Look Community Centre, Tortola, British Virgin Islands in accordance with the Bill of Quantities.

INSTRUCTIONS TO TENDERERS

Tenderers are required to furnish the following:

- Proof that the company or individual is in good standing with respect to taxes, duties, social security and national health insurance contributions, company registration, or payments due to the Government of the Virgin Islands. Certificates of Good Standing must be obtained from the Director of Social Security Board and National Health Insurance, and the Commissioner of Inland Revenue.
- Tenderers registered as companies in the British Virgin Islands are required to submit a Certificate of Good Standing from the Commercial Registry.
- A Trade License (valid for 2022) for the specific type of work detailed in the tender document.
- A Priced Bill of Quantities in accordance with Section 5 of the tender document.
- 5) A list of projects undertaken by the Tenderer or Key Personnel within the past five (5) years that demonstrate the Tenderer's or Key Personnel experience in delivering similar projects in the form included in Section 6 of the tender document.
- Work Programme and Method Statement that details proposed time schedule and methodology for executing the Works;
- A list of Current Contract Commitments/Work in Progress in accordance with Section 7 of the tender document.
- 8) An organizational chart showing management structure including the names and contact details of the key members of the organization that will be involved with this tender, including the proposed project manager.

Failure on the part of tenderers to enclose the supporting documentation indicated above with each respective tender will render the tender non-responsive on the date of the opening of tenders.

APPLICATION FOR DOCUMENTS

Bid documents will be available from Monday, 10th October, 2022, on weekdays between 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Bidding documents will be sent to bidders electronically upon request to procurement@gov.vg with the subject title "Phase 2 Repairs to the East End/Long Look Community Centre" are advised that the destination mailbox is NOT automated to send bidders a dated and time acknowledgement of receipt and delivery of their message. Therefore, bidders should not assume that their email has been safely received and it is the responsibility of the bidder to follow up with the Procurement Coordinator using the contract information below if an acknowledgement of receipt is not received within two (2) working days of submission of their email. Under no circumstance will GOVI or the Procurement Unit, Ministry of Finance, will be responsible for non-receipt of documents by bidder.

Address for Correspondence Only

Procurement Coordinator
Ministry of Finance
Procurement Unit
Rita Frett Georges Building, 2nd Floor
Waterfront Drive
Road Town, Tortola VG1110
British Virgin Islands

Tel: (284) 468-4243/5921 Email: Procurement@gov.vg

A virtual Pre-Tender meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, 20th October at 10:00 am local time.** All prospective tenderers will be provided with the access code and password prior to the meeting. This will be followed by a site visit. All prospective tenderers are invited to attend.

SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

Interested tenderers should submit one (1) original, three (3) copies plus one (1) flash drive containing the bidder's documents. The original bid should be placed in a sealed envelope and marked "ORIGINAL" and the additional copies placed in another sealed envelope and marked "COPIES". Both envelopes should then be placed

in an outer envelope and marked "Phase 2
Repairs to the East End /Long Look Community
Centre" and addressed to:

The Chairman
Central Tenders Board
Ministry of Finance
Procurement Unit
RFG Place 2nd Floor
Road Town, Tortola VG1110
British Virgin Islands

All tenders must be deposited in the tender box at the Ministry of Finance (Procurement Unit), RFG Place, 2nd Floor, Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, Virgin Islands, by the bearer not later than 10:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, 8th November, 2022. Tenders will not be received after the tender box is closed.

Tenders will be opened at the Procurement Unit, Ministry of Finance, RFG Place, 2nd Floor, Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola at 11:00 a.m local time on **Tuesday, 8th November 2022**. Tenderers are invited to witness this process via WebEx. Tenderers will be provided with the access code and password prior to the opening of bids.

The Government of the Virgin Islands does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any other tender and will not defray any costs incurred by the Tenderer.

Ministry of Finance Procurement Unit RFG Place, 2nd Floor Waterfront Drive Road Town, Tortola VG1110 British Virgin Islands

NOTICE TO TENDERERS

PTN No. 34 of 2022

The Government of the Virgin Islands (hereinafter referred to as the "Employer") is seeking the services of a qualified and suitable construction contractor to undertake the Outfitting of the Magistrate's Court, 2nd Floor, Dawson's Building – Joe's Hill, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

SCOPE OF WORKS

The proposed works consist of the construction of sheetrock walls, installation of electrical and plumbing fixtures, conduits and appurtenances, installation of an air conditioning system to complete the outfitting of, installation of fixed furniture and made fit for purpose, the 2nd floor space of the Dawson's Building, Joe's Hill, Tortola, British Virgin Islands in accordance with the bill of quantities and drawings.

INSTRUCTIONS TO TENDERERS

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- A Priced Bill of Quantities in accordance with Section 5 of the tender document.
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8) An organizational chart showing management structure including the names and contact details of the key members of the organization that will be involved with this tender, including the proposed project manager.

Failure on the part of tenderers to enclose the supporting documentation indicated above with each respective tender will render the tender non-responsive on the date of the opening of tenders.

APPLICATION FOR DOCUMENTS

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A virtual Pre-Tender meeting is scheduled for Friday, 21st October, 2022 at 10:00 am local time. All prospective tenderers will be provided with the access code and password prior to the meeting. This will be followed by a site visit. All prospective tenderers are invited to attend.

SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

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RUSSIA - The Druzhba pipeline, which transfers Russian crude oil to Germany and other Central European countries, has been fixed after a leak was reported earlier this week.

Polish state-run pipeline operator PERN said the pipeline was now fully operational.

"PERN's technical services restored the full functionality of the damaged pipeline used to deliver crude oil to the company's German customers on Saturday," Reuters news agency quoted PERN as saying in a statement. The operator stressed it was still investigating the cause of the leak, which was reported on Tuesday, but said there was no reason to suspect sabotage.

"Based on initial assessments, and the manner and way that the pipeline is formed, there are no hints as of now of outsider tampering," Germany's dpa news agency quoted PERN as saying. [Deutsche Welle]

LONDON - The US president said he disagreed with Liz Truss' nowabandoned plan to fight inflation with tax cuts. The embattled UK leader is now scrambling to present a new budget with the help of her new finance minister.

UK Prime Minister began crisis talks with her new Finance Minister Jeremy Hunt on Sunday, two days after firing her previous finance minister in what has been seen as a humiliating U-turn, just weeks into her premiership.

The pressure was cranked up on Saturday evening when US President Joe Biden made a rare criticism of British government policy, calling the tax cut plan a "mistake."

"I wasn't the only one that thought it was a mistake," Biden told reporters while visiting an Oregon ice cream shop. "I disagree with the policy, but that's up to Great Britain."

The White House had previously refused to comment on the "minibudget" announced by fired former Finance Minister Kwasi Kwarteng that panicked markets and sent the pound plummeting.

The Truss and Kwarteng envisaged plan would have seen £45 billion (\$50 billion, €51.7 billion) in tax cuts, with the government forced to borrow to make up the difference.

On Sunday, Truss met with Hunt — a centrist stalwart of the Conservative party — at the prime minister's country retreat in order to come up with a new budget that would be announced at the end of the month. [Deutsche Welle]

WASHINGTON - The foreign exchange market has been roiled by government interventions in Japan and the United Kingdom, while the greenback's strength continues to cause inflationary pressure. "In God We Trust"

has been inscribed on all US paper and coin currency since former president Dwight Eisenhower mandated it in the 1950s. Americans generally believe in the afterlife, but also in their dollar – and they are not the only ones.

The currency has become one of the few attractive assets in a global economy threatened by war, recession and an energy crisis. International investors, besieged by plunging stock markets, bonds and cryptocurrencies, are flocking to the US dollar like lost travelers diving into a desert oasis. But its strength against other currencies is having major impacts on governments, businesses and individuals.

Unlike other capital markets, the foreign exchange market is usually not very volatile. Apart from sporadic episodes such as investor George Soros' 1992 attack on the pound sterling or occasional collapses in emerging economies, currency fluctuations tend to be minor.

But that tranquil stability is changing. Interest rate hikes by central banks have triggered the current foreign exchange volatility, causing the price of money to fluctuate dramatically and plunging national currencies into a competition that has only strengthened the US dollar.

The Japanese yen has dropped by more than 20% against the US dollar in a year; the pound sterling and the euro have dropped by more than 15%; and the Chinese yuan by more than 10%, its sharpest decline since 1994. [El Pais]

TURKS & CAICOS - Akierra Missick, Leeward, Long Bay MP and Minister of Physical Planning and Infrastructure Development said the Turks and Caicos Islands will not be run by international organized crime.

That's the view of Missick who said those hired by these international organizations to take the lives of islanders needs a reality check.

"I stand here in full support of the Throne Speech and I stand here in full support of the amendments to legislation that will be coming to the next session of the House of Assembly; new legislation that will be developed to send a clear message that Turks and Caicos will not be run by international organized crime. That is a loud statement that we are preparing ourselves to say and it is with us Turks and Caicos that those of who have been hired by these international organizations to take the lives of our own people need a reality check. There was blood that has been shed in these islands unnecessarily," she said in the Turks and Caicos Islands House of Assembly on Monday, 3rd October

She added: "As it was said in the governor's remarks, and I am not normally one to quote His Excellency in the Chamber because it is rare for His Excellency to issue a message and as he has advised, it was appropriate for him to advise us the representatives of the people of these islands in the people's Chamber of the intelligence that he has received and to advise us on what it is we are fighting, because it is not natural. It is not home-grown; and while those persons are now here looking at a vacancy that they created in a market that they are seeking to exploit, we have to stand firm and we have to support those who put their lives on the line every single day." [The Sun - TCI]

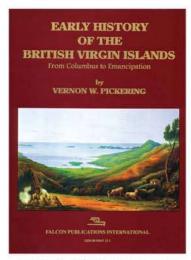
PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti – Haiti has confirmed that at least eight people have died from cholera. The cholera-related fatalities come three weeks after the United Nations (UN) had confirmed an outbreak of the waterborne disease in the French-speaking country. Haiti had not recorded a case of the disease in the last three years.

But the country's Ministry of Health said the first case was discovered in the Savane Pistache/ Decayette area of Port-au-Prince, while additional suspected cases are being investigated in the Brooklyn neighborhood of Cité Soleil.

As such, the UN has indicated that the organization is actively monitoring the outbreak and is collaborating with the government to address the situation.

The UN is also imploring Haitians to take action to prevent the spread of the disease in the home.

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"The United Nations is actively monitoring the situation and is working with the government to mount an emergency response to this potential outbreak, focused not only on limiting the spread of the disease," the UN said.

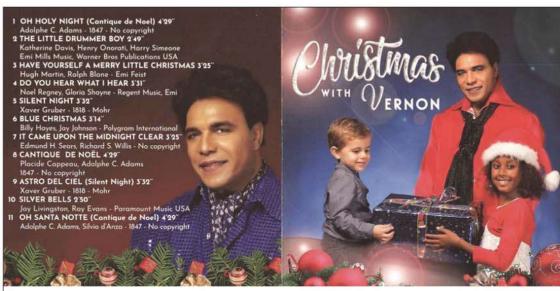
"But also on informing the population how to take immediate lifesaving action at the household level," the UN added.

The UN also cited that additional provisions such as increased water and sanitary supplies will be provided to support the nation's fight against the waterborne disease.

"Additional support will consist of expanded surveillance, increased water and sanitation provision, the opening of cholera treatment centers, and the reinforcement of case management," the UN said.

In addition to that, the UN said specialized emergency response teams are ready to be deployed to support affected communities.

But the organization has acknowledged that it may be difficult. [NY Caribbean News]



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The Samy Sale Up



Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



The BVI Women's Volley team earned ECVA Championships silver in St. Maarten Photo by Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway (more on page 24)



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Diva's On A Dime

Lia Claxton was crowned the Miss Universe British Virgin Islands 2022-2023

n 15 October Lia Claxton was crown the Miss Universe British Virgin Islands 2022-2023 title holder. The event which took place at the Allamanda Estate Villa on Beef Island was a indeed a regal affair.

In attendance were various pageant queens and other persons from the community. The highlight of the evening was the

BVI Xaria Penn. The former queen was also tasked with crowning the new Miss Universe BVI queen.

As the new BVI representative Lia will be travelling to New Orleans Louisiana to attend the next international pageant. Miss Universe British Virgin Islands 2022 18 years old and listed playing piano, modeling & track and field as her hobbies.

Photo credit: Miss Universe BVI/VIBE With Andy





Ladyburd Talks

Dear Readers: Reading is Fundamental – 5 Reasons Why (part 2 of 2)

Situational Exposure – Through books, you can expose your child to potentially stressful situations in a more relaxed environment. Whether it's introducing toilet training or laying the ground work for starting a new school, books can help you discuss the situation in a "safe" zone, before they dive head long into it. Again, they can share their feelings, fears and concerns about the situation and by reading about others who have been through that situation with success, can feel more at ease.

Special Time – One of the nicest benefits to reading with your small child is just the time you spend together and the foundation you are establishing for them of a lifetime of loving to read.

Reading with your child does not have to end once they can read to themselves. It can, and should, continue to be a shared event. It provides an opportunity for conversation in a quiet situation. And by establishing a pattern of "choosing to read" from a very early age, you are helping to create a lifelong reader who sees reading as fun.

Reading is a "win-win" for everyone. Children thrive by being read to early and often and parents reap the benefits of watching their children grow and having that special, quiet time with their kids.

So pick up a book, grab your child, and start reading.

By Celebree Admin https://www.celebree.com/ blog/school-age/reading-is-fundamental-5reasons-why/ Celebree Admin





Ladyburd's Mail Box

delseitaliburd@msn.com

Dear Ladyburd: I read your column every week and never wrote to you. However, here I am.

Question: How long would you stay in a relationship with someone without being married, He never asked me or bring up the question of marriage or done anything indicating he would love to get married. I am getting very anxious, because I believe I am ready to get married. How would you approach this issue... *Ready*

Ladyburd: Dear Ready: You did not say how many years you are together, however. after you have been together for 3 years and more, there should be an indication what you want to do about the relationship. But to go blindly year after year cohabitating without any discussion with regards to getting married, should be cause for concern, So you need to bring up the question and see what is his excuses for not bringing up the subject before. Then and only then you will know what decision you need to make. (Repeat)



Light Bulb Moments

"Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try." — Gail Devers

"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." — Arthur Ashe



The Paradoxical Commandments

People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Love them anyway.

If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway.

If you are successful, you will win false friends and true enemies.

Succeed anyway.

The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable.

Be honest and frank anyway.

The biggest men and women with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men and women with the smallest minds.
Think big anyway.

People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs. Fight for a few underdogs anyway.

What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight.

Build anyway.

People really need help but may attack you if you do help them. Help people anyway.

Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the world the best you have anyway.

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Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



Clueless

A wife complains to her husband:

"Just look at that couple down the road,
how lovely they are.

He keeps holding her hand, kissing her,
holding the door for her, why can't you
do the same?"

The husband: "Are you mad? I barely know the woman!"

Does your dog bite?

A man walks into a shop and sees a very handsome dog. He asks the shop assistant, "Does your dog bite?"

"No, my dog doesn't bite."

The man happily tries to pet the dog, but the dog attacks him viciously. A little later he stumbles to the shop clerk, "Hey, you said your dog doesn't bite!"

The shop clerk shrugs, "He doesn't.
But that wasn't my dog."

Source:

https://short-funny.com/clean-jokes.php

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"When she saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she'd dye."

Annual Artistic Event. "My Dream", "Looking Ahead", and "Introspection".

The winners of the Island Services BVI 2022 Art Contest recently picked up their prizes officially bringing the curtains down on this year's staging of the now-annual artistic event.

This year artwork were submitted under the themes "My Dream", "Looking Ahead", and "Introspection". The entries were voted on via social media likes and In the end following persons were selected as winners:

My Dreams

Theme:

1st Place -

Aviana Joseph

2nd Place

Cheyenne Barry

fooking Ahead
Theme:

1st Place

Akira Creque

2nd Place

Raheem Smith

Introspection

Theme:

1st Place

Kay Zamora

2nd Place

Ravenna Narizzano





Who Is Ready for Pumpkin Spice Whoopie Pies? Everyone!

Nestled snugly between "everything BBQ-flavored time" and "everything peppermint-flavored time" we have my personal favorite: "everything pumpkin-spice-flavored time"! This week I have a wonderful dessert overflowing with the nectar of the pumpkin spice gods.

Remember whoopie pies? If a cake, a cookie, frosting and a sandwich somehow managed to have a baby, it'd be a whoopie pie. Two round, pillowy cakelike cookies with a creamy cloudlike filling sandwiched between them. So soft and dreamy, they're bound to please the most discerning sweet tooth.

Traditionally, whoopie pies are chocolate cakes with vanilla filling, but not today! We're making pumpkin spice whoopie pies with several fillings to choose from. We have marshmallow pumpkin spice, maple vanilla, salted caramel and, for making pumpkin spice latte whoopies, coffee latte filling. How to choose? You might have to make this more than once! I sure did.



These soft and dreamy whoopie pies are bound to please

This pumpkin spice cookie recipe has been around forever and is very easy to prepare. I've chosen to use a boxed cake mix as an ingredient because I find it not only easier, but when you compare the cost of assembling all the cake ingredients, it's less expensive. Look for cake mix on sale when possible.

PUMPKIN SPICE WHOOPIE PIES

Total Time: 45 minutes

Yield: 15 decadent whoopie pies

- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- 1/3 cup butter, softened
- 1 (15.25 ounce) package spice cake mix
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- Filling (see recipes below)

Preheat oven to 375 F. Line two cookie sheets with parchment paper or greased foil. In a stand mixer or large mixing bowl with an electric mixer on medium speed, beat pumpkin and butter until smooth. Add cake mix, eggs and milk, then mix until well-combined. Chill batter for 15 minutes to firm up a little.

Drop batter by heaping tablespoonfuls, 3 inches apart, on cookie sheets. Aim for 30 cookies total. Smoothe the tops of the cookie batter with moist fingertips. Bake for 15 minutes. I did one sheet at a time, but you can do two at once. Just rotate pans halfway through.

Place cookies on a wire rack to cool completely before assembling into whoopie pies -- seriously; let them cool or it's a big mess. If storing before assembling, place in single layers in a storage container with wax paper between layers to prevent sticking. These soft cookies will stick together like glue!

To assemble, prepare filling of choice (recipes below) and chill filling for one hour. Pipe or spoon about 2 tablespoons of filling on the flat side of one cookie and top with a second cookie. Repeat for remaining pairs. Serve immediately or store in the refrigerator.

For each filling recipe below, begin by creaming together 1/2 cup softened butter with an 8-ounce brick of softened cream cheese until smooth. Then add the remaining ingredients.

Marshmallow Pumpkin Spice --Add 2 cups powdered sugar, about half of a 7 ounce container of marshmallow cream (incentive to make a double batch?), 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice and a pinch of salt.

Maple Vanilla -- Add 3 cups powdered sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla and 3 tablespoons maple syrup.

Salted Caramel -- Add 1/2 teaspoon each almond and vanilla extracts, 1/2 cup salted caramel sauce (found near the ice cream at the store) and 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt. Gradually add 3 cups powdered sugar.

Coffee Latte -- Dissolve 1 1/2 teaspoons instant coffee or instant espresso granules into 1 teaspoon vanilla extract. Add to mixture, then gradually add 3 cups powdered sugar.

Diva Tip: Only serve these treats to people you really like, because they are amazing, and people will follow you home. Truth.

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POLICE NEWS

ARREST BLOTTER

OCTOBER 2 TO OCTOBER 15, 2022

ASSAULT CAUSING ACTUAL BODILY HARM

On 05-10-2022 about 0001hrs, Police arrested and charged Thomas Albert, 42, of Coppermine Road for Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear before Magistrate's Court on 21-11-2022 at 0900hrs.

BURGLARY

On 22-09-2022 about 1059hrs, Police arrested and charged Timron Layne, 30, of Josiah's Bay for the Burglary and Unlawful Possession of Cannabis. He was granted bail.

ARMED WITH AN OFFENSIVE WEAPON

On 11-10-2022 at 1630hrs, Police arrested and charged a 16-year-old male of Hope Estate for being Armed with an Offensive Weapon and Wounding. He was granted bail in the sum of \$3,000 to appear before Magistrate's Court on the 30-11-2022 at 0900hrs.

2022 Public Holidays

Monday, 28th November The Commemoration of the 1949 Great March and the Restoration of the Legislative Council Monday, 26th December **Boxing Day** Tuesday, 27th December **Christmas Day**

(In lieu of Sunday, 25th December)

Statement By Premier And Minister of Finance Dr. the Honourable Natalio D. Wheatley on The Occasion of Heroes and Foreparents Day

People of the Virgin Islands, I greet you heartily on this Heroes and Foreparents Day. This holiday was conceived as a means of recognizing outstanding Virgin Islanders for their contribution to our society. As we reflect on the findings of the commission of inquiry and seek to improve areas of governance where we have identified weaknesses, it is important to remember that we have also made tremendous progress.

Though looking to our past is sometimes painful, our story is a testament to the triumphant spirit of the Virgin Islander. We survived the cruelty of slavery and worked and bought our freedom. After the collapse

of the plantation economy, our industrious, innovative foreparents fashioned livelihoods out of the rocky soul and the tumultuous seas. We did it. We planted; we grew; we reaped; we shifted livestock; we built sloops; we stocked our vessels; we traversed the ocean; traded with neighbors; we went through the window; we cut cane. We overcame. Our foreparents are heroes and, we owe them a tremendous debt of gratitude for laying the foundation for our success.

Our society, a colony of Britain, was severely underdeveloped. It was due to the political activism of an Anegada fisherman with a pregnant wife along with

a Tortola boat captain and Town businessman, both of Anegadian ancestry, as well as 1500 strong Virgin Islanders, that marched us into democracy and the beginning of a modern Virgin Islands. This is the legendary heroism that we must recognize and celebrate.

And since the restoration of our legislature, we have had heroes who have lifted us up through leadership and vision and tenacity and sacrifice and hard work. We have had ordinary individuals who have done extraordinary things through a commitment to nation building and a love of the Virgin Islands. Through teaching,

nursing, administration, sports, construction, hospitality, fishing, planting, and building the nation.

Cabinet has established a committee tasked with proposing a list of national heroes. These are individuals whose feats are so incredibly noteworthy and special that they deserve recognition on a national and historic basis. Once cabinet approves the proposed list along with the corresponding protocols, the House of Assembly will have the opportunity to debate a resolution which will officially designate these individuals as national heroes. These heroes

would then be taught in our schools and enshrined in the national conscience.

As we ce lebrate today, let's remember: we still need heroes. Heroes who will fight to reform our institutions and strengthen good governance but also heroes who will fight for the right to participate in the process and uphold democratic governance. We must continue the journey our ancestors began, inspired by their tireless and unyielding commitment to Virgin Islands growth, progressive development, and national success. Happy Heroes and Foreparents Day!

EXPORTING CORRUPTION 2022: TOP TRADING COUNTRIES DOING EVEN LESS THAN BEFORE TO STOP FOREIGN BRIBERY

By Transparency International

Despite a few breakthroughs, multinational companies bribing their way into foreign markets go largely unpunished, and victims' compensation is rare

Our globalised world means companies can do business across borders - often to societies' benefit. But what if the expensive new bridge in your city has been built by an unqualified foreign company that cuts corners? Or if your electricity bill is criminally inflated thanks to a backroom business deal? The chances of this are higher if you live in a country with high levels of government corruption.

Public officials who demand or accept bribes from foreign companies are not the only culprits of the corruption equation. Multinational companies - often headquartered in countries with low levels of public sector corruption - are equally responsible.

Twenty-five years ago, the international community agreed that trading countries have an obligation to punish companies that bribe foreign public officials to win government contracts, mining licenses and other deals - in other words, engage in foreign bribery. Yet few countries have kept up with their commitments.

Our new report, Exporting Corruption 2022, rates the performance of 47 leading global exporters, including 43 countries that are signatories to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Anti-Bribery Convention, in cracking down on foreign bribery by companies from their countries. Four leading non-OECD Convention exporters that are also assessed include China, India, Hong Kong SAR and Singapore.

The results are worse than ever before.

Global highlights

Transparency International has been independently tracking major trading countries' progress in enforcing against foreign bribery since 2009. Our biennial reports score countries based on their performance at different stages of enforcement - from the number of investigations commenced and charges filed to cases concluded with sanctions - over a four-year period. We then classify them by four enforcement categories: active, moderate, limited, little or no.

The picture has been gradually getting worse since our 2018 study, hitting a new low this year.

Only Switzerland and the United States are now in the category of active enforcement, as Israel and the United Kingdom have

dropped from active to moderate enforcement.

Major non-OECD Convention countries remain in the little to no enforcement category - including China, the world's top exporter, and India, which still has no legislation criminalising foreign bribery. In this group of 38 countries - accounting for 55 per cent of all global exports - foreign bribery abuses go unpunished.

Since 2020, only two countries - Latvia and Peru - have moved up a level while nine - including Denmark and Italy - have dropped. The COVID-19 pandemic has undoubtedly posed a major hindrance at every stage of enforcement from investigation to prosecution, but in many countries the downward trend predates the crisis, and the current picture raises significant concerns.

What's driving poor results?

We find that nearly every country has serious inadequacies in their laws and institutions, which hamper enforcement against foreign bribery.

These include problems related to whistleblower protection, the level of sanctions, a lack of training and resources, the underfunding of key enforcement agencies, poor inter-agency coordination, and the insufficient independence of prosecution services and the courts.

What's more, foreign bribery cases are complex and often require extensive cross-border cooperation among national enforcement agencies. Challenges remain, however, as many have insufficient or incompatible legal frameworks as well as limited resources for this kind of enforcement.

In the countries that do enforce against foreign bribery, confiscated proceeds of corruption and disgorged profits usually go into their own treasuries. Compensation is seldom made to the states, populations, groups or individuals directly harmed.

Progress with notorious cases

Our latest report draws attention to positive developments in several significant cases of recent years. In some, compensation for victims has been ordered or is under consideration.

The investment bank and financial services company Goldman Sachs - which has been investigated by at least 14 regulators for its role in the 1MDB scandal - reached a global settlement agreement with criminal and civil authorities in the United States, the United Kingdom and Singapore. The bank admitted to participating in a scheme and agreed to pay US\$2.3 billion in penalties and US\$606 million in disgorgement.

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In Malaysia, Goldman Sachs agreed to a settlement consisting of US\$2.5 billion in fines and penalties together with the bank's guarantee that the government would receive at least US\$1.4 billion from money recovered from the scheme.

A coordinated global settlement was reached also with the Swiss bank Credit Suisse by the authorities in Switzerland, the United States and the United Kingdom over the infamous "tuna bond" or "hidden debt" case. Alongside the settlement, Credit Suisse forgave debt owed by Mozambique in the amount of US\$200 million. However, the harm done to the people of Mozambique has been estimated at US\$11 billion.

Further, Switzerland has signed a restitution agreement with Uzbekistan to return US\$130 million seized in criminal proceedings against Gulnara Karimova - daughter of the former president. The funds are earmarked for use "for the benefit of the people of Uzbekistan", and their restitution is subject to transparency requirements and the creation of a monitoring mechanism. Uzbekistan was also granted civil party status in France, where Karimova was accused of laundering proceeds of corruption in French real estate. French justice has awarded damages to Uzbekistan, which are currently being recovered through the sale of three properties confiscated from Karimova.

Despite a few breakthroughs, overall, our new report finds that enforcement continues on the alarming downward trend of recent years. This has huge costs and consequences for countries and people around the world. Foreign bribery undermines democracy and human rights, and thwarts achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Inaction is not an option

The current global environment carries risks of a declining commitment to foreign bribery enforcement. Individually, countries may prefer to ignore their companies' efforts to win markets by whatever means possible. However, any short-term illicit profits from foreign bribery are secured at the cost of instability, inequality and a poor environment for international trade and investment - to the detriment of all. This is why it is crucial for exporting countries to enforce collectively agreed prohibitions against foreign bribery.

The need for enforcement is stronger than ever; including to avoid a race to the bottom in the use of bribery in the contest for foreign markets. Transparency International calls on all countries, including signatories to the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention and other major global exporters, to focus on the following key steps to stop rampant foreign bribery:

- 1 Fix weaknesses in laws and enforcement systems, including insufficient resourcing and independence of investigative bodies, and give higher priority to enforcement.
- 2 Openly publish foreign bribery enforcement statistics, court judgements and non-trial resolutions.
- 3 Confiscate the profits from corruption in foreign bribery cases for the benefit of those harmed and introduce victim compensation as a standard practice.
- 4 Support stronger national systems for cross-border cooperation and explore the expansion of international structures.
 - 5 Closely monitor the use of non-trial resolutions.

6 - Support the OECD Working Group on Bribery's monitoring and engagement with civil society, create a public database of foreign bribery investigations and cases.

Countries' enforcement against foreign bribery has dropped to its lowest level since Transparency International began this measurement in 2009, according to a new report on 47 of the world's biggest exporters released today.

Foreign bribery wreaks havoc in countries around the world, illicitly channelling public money into private profits and buying undue influence over government decision-making for major multinationals. In countries from Brazil to Malaysia to Mozambique, these criminal acts deal major blows to vulnerable public institutions and economies. With the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention 25th anniversary this year, and as the working group charged with its monitoring is set to meet Tuesday, foreign bribery enforcement faces major setbacks.

Exporting Corruption 2022 assesses 43 signatories to the Convention along with China, India, Hong Kong SAR and Singapore. The report finds that enforcement continues on the alarming downward trend of recent years. Now just two countries - Switzerland and the United States, making up only 11.8 per cent of global exports - are considered "active enforcers" that investigate, charge and impose sanctions commensurate with their share of exports.

Delia Ferreira Rubio, chair of Transparency International said: "Governments today are faced with many challenges - from rising kleptocracy to climate disaster and economic turmoil. But leaders must not lose sight of the cross-border corruption that exacerbates these threats and blocks solutions. Corrupt transnational networks of businesses and their enablers leave a trail of harm - pushing out competitors, bypassing regulations and draining public budgets of resources. With rampant bribery in foreign public markets, illicit profits are secured at the expense of economic development, democracy and human rights."

Countries everywhere failing on commitments

The COVID-19 pandemic significantly disrupted global economic activity, and undoubtedly impacted countries' ability to meet their obligations to enforce against foreign bribery criminality - but the downward trend in enforcement began in 2018. From the inception of our categories in 2009, the percentage of global exports coming from "active enforcers" had remained above 20 per cent - nearly twice this year's percentage - until it began to drop in 2020.

Two former active enforcers - including the United Kingdom with 3.4 per cent of global exports, and Israel - dropped this year into moderate enforcement. Additionally, seven other countries dropped in their levels of enforcement. Even the world's strongest performer the US, while remaining in the "active" category, pursued significantly fewer cases in 2021.

Most of the surveyed countries have limited or no enforcement at all - including China, the world's top exporter. In this group of 38 countries, accounting for 55 per cent of all global exports, foreign bribery abuses go unpunished.



by Dana Jackson

Q.I saw that there's going to be a holiday special about the Waltons family. Are any of the cast members from the original series starring in it? — M.C.

A: "The Waltons" was a classic series that aired for nine seasons beginning in 1972 set in rural Virginia during the Great Depression and World War II. It was told through the eyes of John-Boy, the eldest son, played by Richard Thomas. Ralph Waite and Michael Learned played the patriarch and matriarch, respectively, of the large Walton family, which included six additional children besides John-Boy.

Last fall, the CW network revived the franchise with "The Waltons' Homecoming," a TV movie featuring an allnew cast set during the winter of 1933. Thomas returned to narrate the story and will do the same for the upcoming "The Waltons' Thanksgiving." Logan Shroyer ("This Is Us") will play John-Boy, and Teddy Sears ("Chicago Fire") will star as John Walton Sr.

According to Deadline.com, the latest special is set in 1934 "as the Walton family eagerly prepares for the annual Harvest Festival Fair in town ... and a young boy arrives that will dramatically change the Waltons' lives in ways that they could have never imagined."

"The Waltons' Thanksgiving" will air on the CW on Nov. 20 at 8 p.m. ET.

•Is "9-1-1: Lone Star" ever returning? I thought it was a big hit because of its ratings, so I was surprised that it didn't premiere with the other network dramas this fall. — M.M.

A. More than 14 million viewers tuned in to the season one premiere of "9-1-1: Lone Star," but the show has hovered around a still-impressive 8 million viewers in subsequent seasons. Despite being a hit, its fourth season has been pushed back to a mid-season debut, with a target date of Jan. 2, 2023, for the first of its new episodes.

According to the "9-1-1" fandom website, "TK and Carlos' wedding will be shown," and "a storyline involving an extremist group planning an attack" will be investigated by a new character, special agent Rose Casey, played by Amanda Schull ("Suits"). Also, look for Neal



Amanda Schull ("9-1-1: Lone Star"
and "Suits")

McDonough ("Yellowstone") and D.B. Woodside ("Lucifer") as additional new cast members.

"9-1-1: Lone Star" is in good company with its late start. Other scripted dramas not premiering until, at least, January include "The Blacklist," "The Flash," "Nancy Drew" and "Fantasy Island." "Magnum P.I." was canceled by CBS, then saved by NBC, and started filming new episodes this past September.

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• I was sad to hear about Loret-• ta Lynn's passing, but what an amazing, long life she had. Who was the actress who played her in a movie decades ago? Also, who did the vocals for the movie? — Y.L.

• Country music legend Loretta
• Lynn passed away at age 90 at her ranch, Hurricane Mills, on Oct. 4.
Sissy Spacek won an Oscar for her performance and used her own vocals in the 1980 film "Coal Miner's Daughter" about Lynn's rise to fame. The movie's soundtrack also won a CMA Award for Album of the Year. Beverly D'Angelo, who played Patsy Cline in the film, also performed her own vocals.

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Physician Revokes Driver's License Without Explanation

DEAR DR. ROACH: My wife's handicap parking placard expired, and she asked her primary care physician to fill out a renewal application. The new placard was received, followed by a letter from the DMV instructing my wife to return her license within 10 days because a medical professional had deemed it unsafe for her to drive. There was no discussion with my wife about driving.

My wife had a stroke about two years ago, but there are no obvious signs that she shouldn't be driving outside of that. She recently had a Watchman device placed, but no one ever said she shouldn't drive. My wife has had no symptoms since the surgery. She saw the cardiologist who performed the Watchman surgery, and he said she is doing well. She also saw her regular cardiologist, and he also said she is doing well. She saw both of these doctors after seeing the physician who notified the DMV that she should not drive.

I have seen the after-visit notes of all the doctors my wife has seen in the last three months. All say that she is doing well. The doctor involved said, in her notes, "She is doing well, no concerns." She has not had any device implanted to maintain rhythm. Was it unethical to not discuss revoking my wife's license with her before doing it?

—Anon.

ANSWER: The Watchman device is placed to reduce the risk of stroke in

people with atrial fibrillation (AFib), a rhythm disturbance of the heart. Its placement has no bearing on her driving, but AFib potentially does. AFib does predispose people to strokes and, occasionally, to a heart rate so fast that they can't think properly. Conceivably, a person could have a stroke or a very fast heart rate while driving, but this is a very rare cause of motorvehicle accidents. The most common medical cause for impairment while driving is epilepsy, which is a whole separate discussion.

There are international guidelines to help clinicians decide whether a person with a history of arrhythmia is safe to drive. In the case of atrial fibrillation, the guidelines are consistent that only if a person is having symptoms or is incapacitated should they stop driving, and they may resume once the symptoms or incapacity is better. From what you tell me, she had no reason for her driving to be restricted. Unless her primary care physician knows something that you haven't told me, this decision was not supported by consensus guidelines.

Was the decision ethical? I don't think so. An ethical decision is one that minimizes harm, both to your wife and to the community. Your wife has been harmed, and I don't think the community is safer because she can't drive. I don't think she was treated fairly. Lack of truth-telling undermines trust, which is essential for ethical patient care.

It is possible that the decision to restrict her driving privileges was done in error, either by her physician or by the DMV. I do feel strongly that her physician should have told her that her driving privileges would be restricted: This would have allowed for some discussion, perhaps with her cardiologists, and would remove the question of whether there was an error.

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

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Caribbean News / Regional News



Elevate loss and damage as key climate justice issue – CARICOM SG argues at Yale Conference workers whose livelihoods are

(CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana - Friday, 14 October 2022) - While CARICOM Member States have made significant strides to address the climate crisis, they will not achieve significant moderation in climate change because they are not the source of climate change.

Therefore, the systemic global and national inequities confronting small states need to be addressed to achieve climate justice, CARICOM Secretary-General, Dr. Carla Barnett said on Thursday. The key to addressing the inequities, she said, is to "elevate loss and damage as a key climate justice issue" that also has the endorsement of developed countries, and to have equitable and effective access to affordable funding for mitigation adaptation.

She was at the time addressing the Fourth Annual Global Environmental Justice Conference at Yale University in the US. The theme of the Conference is 'Re-imagining Our Collective Future: Advancing Climate Justice, Food Security and Energy Transition in an Age of Uncertainty'. Her address focused on the intersection of equitable climate action and sustainable development.

Within the context of the United Nations Framework Convention

on Climate Change (UNFCCC), loss and damage for the Caribbean Community represents the negative impacts of climate change to which "we either cannot adapt or have not adapted, because such adaptation requires access to funding - funding which should be provided, in the interest of justice, by developed countries who are responsible for the destructive impacts we now face".

The Secretary-General expressed concern that loss and damage has lagged far behind progress on mitigation and adaptation within the UNFCCC.

"To date, loss and damage has no specific funding stream, is not a recurring agenda item for negotiations and has been found, through subsequent reviews, to be an area where the UNFCCC has much work to do. The question about who pays for loss and damage, or even that a loss and damage financing facility is necessary remains a burning issue. SIDS are, therefore, seeking to mitigate, adapt and respond to loss and damage in a less than propitious environment," she told her audience.

She noted Denmark's acknowledgement of loss and damage as a consequence of climate change and its offer of compensation to developing

countries, and called on others to follow its lead.

Pointing to the significant strides the Region has made to address the climate crisis, she said: "However, as ambitious as these steps may be, the truth is that even if we do all and everything that we can do, we will not be able to achieve significant moderation of climate change or effectively address the peculiar factors that are at the root of the climate crisis in our countries and SIDS, in general, because we are not the source of climate change," Dr. Barnett said.

She pointed out that the climate crisis is now the "greatest collective challenge that modern humanity has confronted" which has spawned environmental, social and economic upheavals in the Caribbean.

As an example, the Secretary-General highlighted the experience of Dominica - now aiming to become the world's first climate resilient country - which suffered damage of about 220 per cent of GDP from Hurricane Maria five years ago, and, just two years later, 90 per cent of GDP loss from Tropical Storm Erika.

She spoke of the impacts of climate change on different communities within SIDS, including farmers, fishers and seasonal

workers whose livelihoods are affected by extreme weather events; the elderly and differently abled who do not have the flexibility of resources or able hands to both prepare for and recover from storms; indigenous and rural communities whose connectivity with the rest of the country, as well as traditional livelihood and cultural practices are considerably impacted through disruptions in the physical infrastructure and the natural ecosystem.

In addition, she drew attention to the risks the climate crisis poses to vulnerable ecosystems, physical infrastructure, productive sectors and key foreign exchange earning sectors such as tourism and agriculture; the impacts of the COVID-19; the "very fundamental threats of food insecurity, energy insecurity"; inadequacies of health systems in the Region; and connectivity infrastructure matters.

For the Caribbean, building climate resilience is critical as the 1.5 degree temperature target is unlikely to be met.

In her address, the Secretary-General repeated the call for a "just metric" that will take into account the vulnerabilities and susceptibilities of SIDS to broaden access to affordable funding. Please read her address here



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COMMENTARY By Sir Ronald Sanders

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The present Conservative party in Britain has now established a remarkable list of records; none of them good.

Liz Truss, who has now resigned as leader of the Party and Prime Minister, has the record for serving the shortest period as Prime Minister in the history of Britain. Kwasi Kwarteng, who she appointed as Finance Minister, has the notorious distinction of serving the shortest period in that position, except for one previous occupant who died of a heart attack. Suella Braverman, Liz Truss' Home Secretary, also holds the record for the briefest period in that office.

But the greatest record of all is that Liz Truss' short-lived government has succeeded in wrecking the British economy in almost blinding rapidity. In six short weeks from her assumption of office, the British economy plunged into freefall with disastrous effects. The value of the British currency plummeted; pension funds lost billions of dollars, depriving thousands of persons of their pensions; and mortgage costs for millions of people skyrocketed overnight.

She should have resigned then. claiming that she was "a fighter not a quitter", she fired Kwarteng instead. He was to be the sacrificial lamb on the altar of her own ambition, when even casual observers of politics knew that Kwarteng's disastrous budget, which cut taxes for the rich among its other disasters, could not have been presented without her participation and approval.

Forced to appoint a new Finance Minister, Jeremy Hunt, who was opposed to her leadership, she bold-facedly swallowed any dignity she may have had by approving his new budget, which reversed all the measures of the previous Kwarteng budget including all the policies for which she claimed to represent.

Such was the depth of her lust for power. But it is not she alone. No leader clings to power against obvious odds without the

encouragement and urging of a coterie of persons whose political and economic fortunes are tied to that leader. That coterie is now either scrambling to find some other person, who would serve their

interests, or they are busy trying to influence persons in the opposition Labour Party.

The Conservative Party has only Dered itself to blame for its present highly detested position in the British body politic. Liz Truss was elected by party officials over Rishi Sunak, a former Finance Minister. Sunak is of Indian origin and while the Representation of Indian origin and Indian origin Conservative party has done more,

in recent years, to recognize the quality of immigrants and their contribution to British economic development than the Labour Party, the same underlying prejudice that gave BREXIT its success, resulted in Truss' triumph over Sunak. They will not admit it, but many in the Conservative party establishment could not stomach an immigrant as their leader and Prime Minister.

While that view was not dominant among the Conservative members of parliament who favoured Sunak over Truss, it was the natural instinct of the Conservative rank and file.

It should be noted that, in the debates between the candidates leading up to the election of Truss by officials of the Conservative Party, Sunak had time and again questioned the economic financial policies that were espoused by Truss. Sunak argued against tax cuts advocated by Truss, focussing instead on fighting soaring inflation and using targeted measures to offer support to those most in need. As former Finance Minister, he knew that Britain was already in a precarious financial position and that making tax cuts, which benefitted corporations and the rich, would leave a gaping hole in revenues.

Even in these circumstances, Truss was not a popularly elected leader of the Conservative Party. She secured 57 % of the members' votes, compared to Boris Johnson's 66.4 % in 2019, David Cameron's 67.6% in 2005 and Iain Duncan Smith's 60.7% in 2001. Now with no trust in Truss,

and a vacancy existing again for the office of leader of the Party, Conservatives have to elect a new leader by October 31. The talent pool has narrowed considerably. Therefore, three names have quickly

> emerged - Rishi Sunak, Penny Mordaunt who was a contender in the last contest; and, lo and behold, Boris Johnson who had predicted his own return with the words "Hasta la vista, Baby", not goodbye, when he was forced to resign. Per force, in the bargaining that will ensue solid party backing will emerge.

The question is: for how long will the Conservative party last as the Government? The party is now a gravely wounded organization, divided inside and disliked Not only does it not have the capacity to heal its self-inflicted wounds, but it is also clear that, apart from its diehard supporters, the British public wants the Party gone from office in the interest of attaining a higher level of political stability. and the chance to rebuild their tattered economy.

The best option for Britain is to take the matter of the leadership of the country out of the self-interested hands of Conservative party officials and locate it where it now cries out to be placed; and that is in the votes of the British electorate.

Unfortunately, no person, elected as leader of the party in the next few days, would be willing to take the decision to call a general election to seek a fresh mandate from the people.

The next general election must be called by January 2025. This means that if the next Conservative party leader decides to hold out until then, Britain faces the real possibility of political turmoil for the next 2 years and 3 months, and with it can come further economic collapse.

The one guarantee in all this is that the Labour Party and its leader, Sir Keir Starmer, will be relentless in their efforts to remove the Conservative party from government. Without an early general election, the British people and their economy are set for a torrid time.

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BVI Women earn ECVA Volleyball silver, 19 years after snatching gold By Dean Greenaway

For Women's Volleyball team Captain Henrietta "Henrie" Alexander, it was her sweetest moment as a national team player, after years of futility playing in the Eastern Caribbean Volleyball Association Championships held in St. Maarten, Wednesday through Sunday.

"This was my fourth time playing with the national team, but my first time actually winning a game and medaling," Alexander said on Monday's team return, where the BVI, overcome their No 9 seed, claimed a silver medal on Sunday night after falling to defending champions St. Luciatheir first time in the tournament since 2014. "This tournament meant a lot to me because I know where we came from. Some of the younger ones—they don't know what that feels like. Lauren (Welsh), Sharonda (Pickering), Tasha (Amadonna Creese), we know. Tami (Tamesha Georges), Sabi (Sabinah Clement) we know. I'm extremely proud of these young ladies, because many counted us out before we even began. To get to the medal stand after 19 years, is definitely an achievement for volleyball in the territory. Every member of the team was instrumental in our success."

It was the BVI's first medal since they won it all in 2003 after winning silver and bronze medals in the preceding years. Alexander, the second highest scorer on the team with 34 kills, eight

blocks and eight service points for a combined score of 50 points, encouraged her younger teammates in particular to 'keep pushing." We did not end up with what we expected, however, it's just a stepping stone to improve," she said during an airport press conference welcoming the team home. "It's only up from here."

The BVI open tournament play against perennial champs and top seeded St. Lucia. who walked off with an 18-25, 17-25, and 18-25 triumph on Wednesday. They closed play on Sunday night against St. Lucia, 17-25, 10-25 and 13-25 as their opponent who they last beat in 2003 in Antiqua and Barbuda when the BVI did not lose a set, snatched the gold and they settled for silver.

Following their opening loss, the BVI rebounded and overpowered eventual bronze medalists Antigua and Barbuda during a 2 hours and 26 minutes five-set thriller, 23-25, 28-25, 16-25, 28-26 and 15-13. Next, they took down St. Eustatius in straight sets, 25-17, 25-19 and 25-14 and followed suit against Grenada, 25-23, 25-15 and 25-15 to qualify for the semis, where they outlasted hosts St. Maarten, 25-15, 25-19, 17-25 and 25-23.

"There was a lot riding on our backs and even before we left here, we all knew that we were ranked ninth in the region and having been away from so long since 2014, but we buckled down, we dug in and only one team beat us-only one team," head Coach Stephen Payne noted during a press briefing on their arrival yesterday. "It was the team that was ranked first in the tournament and we beat everybody else. We don't have to hang our heads and walk in shame. We just have to walk high, be proud of our accomplishments and just build on it. The team played well."

Payne said they knew St. Lucia was the team to beat and prepared with that in mind but the team was a bit hesitant in the first game. He said after the first game, they saw that St. Lucia wasn't too far away from their abilities. "We fought and they eventually beat us," he noted. "In the last game, the game was won by St. Lucia, because they had a desire to win. We had a desire as well, but we had metal blockages at certain points and the game went away from us.

He credited St. Lucia, who he noted had good serving, served consistently and used "volleyball tactics" and it worked in their favor.

"But at the end of it, my girls performed—they played well through all the games before that (final). The outcome wasn't what we wanted to see, but at the end of it all, our girls performed throughout the entire tournament."



The BVI Women's team earned ECVA Championships silver in St. Maarten

For the future, Payne said the team needs to have "tough mental preparation."

Pickering—who played for Florida Gulf Coast University and one year professionally in Hungary before the pandemic cut short her pro careercelebrated her 26th birthday on Sunday by winning the EVCA Most Points Scored combined from her 54 kills, 21 blocks and 13 service points. She tied for Best Blocker with 21.

"The last time I played on the national team, I was very timid, very nervous, I was really new to volleyball," Pickering recalled on Monday. "A lot of things I've done in this tournament, I didn't have the opportunity to do, I didn't have the skills to do, so coming back, I was happy to make a bigger

CRICKET

BVI holds off Grenada for thrilling 14-run victory in Haycraft Cup By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

McTair James derailed Grenada's charge taking four crucial wickets and combined with Monty Butler's 64 not out, gave the British Virgin Islands a scintillating 14 runs victory—their second of the Peter Haycraft Nations T20 Cup on Sunday in Greenland.

Deciding to bat after winning the toss, the BVI posted 181-for 9, with Ferris Pope 35 before he went LBW, supporting Butler's 64 from 35 balls including eight boundaries and four sixes. Chad Baston contributed another 18 before he was bowled by Jason Thomas, who anchored the boys from the Spice Isle's bowling with 3-for-40. Anthony Panchoo picked up another 2-for-29.

Grenada, who used 49 not out from Thomas and 39 from Derol Redhead to take charge of the match with a 22 runs lead ahead of the BVI, saw their chances slipped away, when their lower order batsmen collapsed by losing 4 wickets for a paltry 15 run, handing them yet another loss.

James bagged 4-for-39 and Earl Prescott, 2-for-15.

"Today was okay, we made 181 and we went and defended it," Butler told Island Sun Sports, before expounding on his 64. "You know me, I'm always on

the wicket and take every ball on its merit and I do what I gotta do. Right now we have two victories from the competition and I think we're second in the tournament so this victory has done us well. We're on a roll, so I'm looking forward to another win again."

The BVI will face unbeaten Guyana at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

In the other match, Dominica rebounded from a humiliating loss to St. Vincent and the Grenadines, with a six wickets victory over winless Jamaica. Dominica began making inroads early, taking out Wicketkeeper Captain Richard Francis and Ameri Hinds—who led the team in scoring in its previous matches—as the top batsmen went for four runs respectively off the bowling of Kellon Landon.

Dillon Arcia resisted Dominica's bowling attack for 25 and Courtney Smiley went LBW after struggling for 10 and Jamaica were out at 85 for 9 in 12 overs. Gary Prince snatched 3-for-17. Samir Jones, 2 for 18 and Landon, 2-for-20, while Trent Ollive grabbed

Jones led Dominica's batting with 40 including seven boundaries and Nash Frederick was run out for 23, as Dominica replied with 89-for-4 in 11.3 overs for the six wickets victory.

Well, another disappointing loss, unfortunately it has come to the end of the tournament for us without any victories," Jamaica Wicketkeeper Captain Richard Francis said. "But a valid effort from the guys overall so I'm pleased."

Francis said for their four previous games they were chasing and decided to bat after winning the toss. They went to bat hoping that they'd put up a good total, because the team's strength is its

"We knew we could defend the runs on the board, but it was just too few runs," he said. "The opening pair was Ameri Hinds and I, none of us got off and he got one wicket at the end of the bowling. We're pleased with his development and his performance and we're hoping that with his age (16) he continues to develop and mature and that he can turn into the great cricketer that he can be."

Dominica manager Dale Benjamin said it was a much needed victory as they lost their last game



We had to come out and put our best foot forward in order to keep us in the tournament, because we have to win in order to make it to the semis. We needed that match, and we did well in coming out and getting the victory today," he said. "When you put runs on the board, you expect to go there and defend it. It just takes one over to change the game and then feel that you've lost. They won the toss and decided to bat. I know we have the bowlers to bowl out any team in the tournament, so I knew we had to pull it back."

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Sharonda Pickering celebrated her 26th Birthday by collecting the ECVA Most Points Scored and tied for Best Blocker Awards



BVI celebrating their straight set 25-17, 25-19 and 25-14 victory over St. Eustatius



Rowan "Rosie" Victor leads the field en route to victory in the Mourant College Classic Series on Virgin Gorda



One Love opened the BVIFA season with a 7-1 victory over Old Madrid. Rebels and VG United played to a 2-2 draw. Sugar Boys beat Islanders, 2-0 and Panthers over One Caribbean, 2-1. PHOTO Cleave M. Farrington



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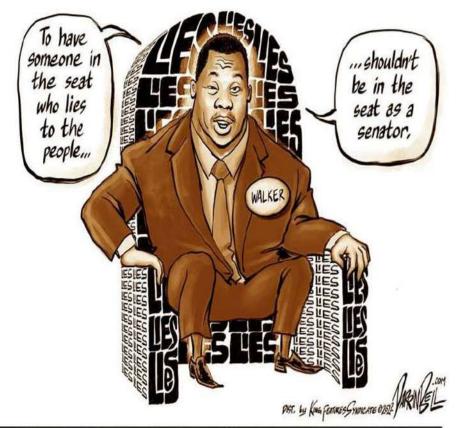
Kings will be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers.

They will bow down before you with their faces to the ground; they will lick the dust at your feet.

Then you will know that I am the Lord; those who hope in me will not be disappointed.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Someone has some suggestions to offer regarding your new project. You might find them helpful. Remember to avoid speculation and to stick with just the facts, dear Lamb.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An old friend suddenly reappears. Whether this proves to be a boon or a bane in the Bovine's life depends on the reason for this surprising reappearance. Be cautious.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Vital information finally emerges, allowing you to make that important personal decision. You can now move your focus to an upcoming professional development.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might not like seeing so many on-the-job changes. But some of them could open new opportunities for your Moon Child talents to shine to your best advantage.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Expect a challenge to the usual way you do things. Although you might prefer the tried-and-true, once you take a good look at this new idea, you might feel more receptive to it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A close friend could offer advice on how to handle a difficult family matter. But in the end, the decision has to be made based on what is best for you and those you love.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Family problems are best worked out when all those concerned contribute suggestions that will ease tensions. Stay with it until a workable solution is found.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Expect to hear more about an offer that has piqued your interest. You earn respect for insisting on solid facts, not just a fancy talk about potential opportunities.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) What seemed to be a reasonable workplace request might need to be defended. Don't fret. You have both the facts and a surprise ally on your side.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A bit of capriciousness might be just what you need. Plan to kick up your heels in a round of fun and games with family and friends this weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Although some of your plans might have to be put on hold, things do begin to take a turn for the better by midweek. Your financial crunch also eases.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your financial picture begins to brighten by week's end. There are also favorable changes in your personal life. Someone you care for has good news to report.

BORN THIS WEEK: You seek balance, but not at the expense of justice. You would make a fine judge.

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LAFF-A-DAY



"I'm taking you off that banana diet."

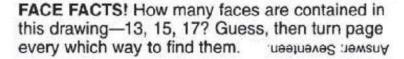
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps









INS AND OUTS! Said Kin Hubbard: "I don't know anything as willing, and that seems to enjoy its work as much as a —." What two words are missing?

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X-WORD TEASE! Consider yourself a whiz if you can solve this tricky mini-crossword in less than two minutes. Take note: It consists of a curious blend of words and letters. Definitions:

Across: 1. A tunnel. 2. Toothpaste container.
3. Old radio component. 4. A type of sock.
Down: 1. Golf pegs. 2. 180-degree turns.
3. Social insects. 4. Retiree's quest.

No fair peeking at answer below.

Across: 1. Tube. 2. Tube. 3. B's. 4. E's (ease).

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QUICK FIGURING IS MAGICAL

GOOD at juggling numbers? Let's see.

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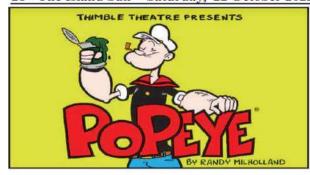
Have him or her subtract 1, multiply the result by 2, add the original number, and reveal the total.

Once you have the total, without revealing your secret, add 2, divide by 3, and you will obtain the original number.

Example: Suppose the original number was 22. Subtracting 1 leaves 21, times 2 is 42. Adding the original number makes 64, the amount revealed to you.

You add two, divide by 3, and you know the number thought of was 22. Quick figuring helps, of course.

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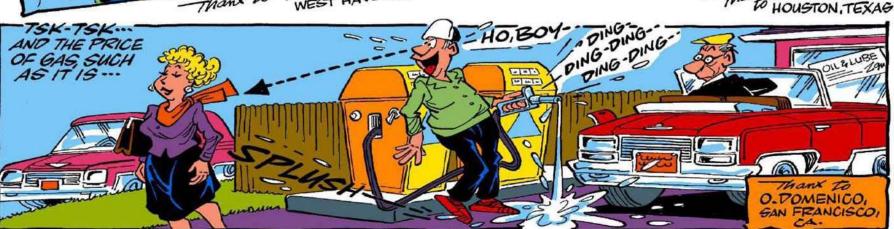


THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME

BY AL SCADUTO









Christopher Merret was born in 1615 in

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Gloucestershire, England. He studied medicine and became a Fellow of the Royal

College of Physicians in 1651. He liked collecting plants and maintained a herb garden. In 1666 he produced one of the first resources for British plants, animals and fossils known as the Pinax Rerum Naturalium Britannicarum. The book includes the first known Male Wild lists of British butterflies and birds.

> - Brenda Weaver Source: www.wikiwand.com



"I'm telling Grandma!"

Hot Dog Toppings 1. Mustard 6. Cheese 2. Ketchup 7. Sauerkraut 3. Onions 8. Mayo 4. Relish 9. Bacon 5. Chili 10. Jalapenos Source: National Hot Dog and Sausage Council

MONDAY



Amber Waves

HEY, THERE'S NOTHIN' HERE 'CEPT PUMPKINS!







by Dave T. Phipps



by Mike Marland



The Spats

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by Jeff Pickering



BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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serstein.; 7. 102.; 8. Single lens reflex.; 9. Spain.; 10. Frederick Muhlenberg. 5. "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" (Hunter S. Thompson).; 6. Wendy Was-1. The Arctic Ocean,; 2. Elephants.; 3. "All" (panorama, etc.).; 4. Leprosy.;

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- 4. MEDICAL: What is the common name for Hansen's disease?
- 5. LITERATURE: Which 1970s nonfiction book begins with the line, "We were somewhere around Barstow on the edge of the desert when the drugs began to take hold"?
- 6. THEATER: Who wrote the Tony Award-winning play "The Heidi Chronicles"?
- 7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: The Empire State Building in New York has how many stories?
- 8. ACRONYMS: In photography, what does the acronym SLR stand for?
- 9. FOOD & DRINK: Which country produces a cheese called Manchego?
- 10. HISTORY: Who was the first House Speaker in U.S. history?
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Support for Juan Guaidó has dwindled

By Sir Ronald Sanders

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At the height of Donald Trump's presidency of the United States (U.S.) when, on January 23, 2019, he anointed Juan Guaidó as the "Interim President" of Venezuela, as much as 50 countries joined him in a folly that persisted until October

Juan Guaidó was never the "Interim President" of Venezuela. He never had the power or authority to change anything within Venezuela, and he certainly was not in control of a government in Venezuela that could negotiate with any government in the world. Guaidó's "Interim Presidency" was a fiction from its beginning, largely concocted by President Trump's re-election campaign team whose eyes were tightly focussed on votes of the Cuban-Venezuelan exiled community in Florida.

Emphasis was placed on the Organization of American States (OAS) where, traditionally, the U.S. Government has exerted considerable influence over the 35-nation membership. Note that the OAS Secretariat continues to count Cuba as one of its members, even though Cuba was effectively suspended in January 1962, and it rejected a June 2009 OAS resolution, which ended Cuba's exclusion from the Organization and invited the Cuban government to request participation after a "process of dialogue".

The background is as follows: On April 27, 2017, the Government of Venezuela denounced the OAS Charter and announced its withdrawal from membership of the Organization with effect two years later on April 27, 2019, as required by the Charter. In August 2017, a Constituent National Assembly was elected in Venezuela to draft a new constitution. The election was disputed within and outside of Venezuela. However, The Democratic Unity Roundtable - the opposition - boycotted the election, claiming that the Constituent Assembly was "a trick to keep the incumbent ruling party in power". Since the opposition did not participate in the election, the incumbent Great Patriotic Pole, dominated by the United Socialist Party of Venezuela, won almost all the seats in the Assembly by default.

On August 8, 2017, eleven member states of the OAS formed "The Lima Group" whose stated purpose was "to address the critical situation in Venezuela and explore ways to contribute to the restoration of democracy in that country through a peaceful and negotiated solution". They also made their partisanship very clear, by stating, "Their decision not to recognize the National Constituent Assembly, nor the acts emanating from it, due to its illegitimate nature' and "Their full support and solidarity with the National Assembly, democratically elected".

The eleven countries were: Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay and Peru. Their first meeting was also attended by representatives of Guyana and Jamaica. The then governments of

Guyana, Haiti and St. Lucia subsequently joined the group. The Dominican Republic, Ecuador, and El Salvador were also described as "regional observers" to the Group. Today, Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Guyana, Honduras, Panama, Peru, and St. Lucia have all discarded the "Lima Group", and its agenda for regime change in Venezuela.

It was the "Lima Group", together with the U.S. that were active in the OAS throughout the period, August 2017 to January 2019, in initiating various resolutions and declarations on Venezuela.

On January 23, 2019, Juan Guaidó, as head of Venezuela's National Assembly, declared himself "interim president" of the country and was immediately recognised by the then-U.S. President, Donald Trump. Subsequently, the following 16 member states of the OAS similarly declared recognition of Guaidó: Argentina, the Bahamas, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Panama, Paraguay, and Peru. It is this group of states whose representatives in 2019 were active in the OAS, along with Jamaica and St. Lucia, in support of Juan Guaidó as the "interim president" of Venezuela.

Amid protests and objections of 15 member states, on April 19, 2019, by the slimmest majority of 18 votes at a meeting of the Permanent Council, which was convoked contrary to its rules, a Resolution, accepting the Venezuelan National Assembly's nominee as the designated Permanent Representative, was adopted. Many objections were formally communicated to the Secretariat of the OAS, the United Nations Secretary-General, and all member states of the OAS, in addition to being footnoted to the Resolution.

Subsequently, on June 28, 2019, the OAS General Assembly, again by the slim majority of 18 votes, plus the vote of the disputed Venezuelan representative making it 19, accepted the Permanent Representative to the OAS designated by the "National Assembly" of Venezuela. This resolution was inconsistent with the provisions of the OAS Charter, the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic relations, and the methodology in the UN system. It was blatantly wrong.

Several delegations formally protested the decision and recorded that they would not accept any decisions, declarations or resolutions, which that included the vote of Guaido's representative to form a required majority. Among the countries that formally registered their disapproval were: Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Bolivia, Dominica, Grenada, Mexico, Nicaragua, St Kitts-Nevis, St Vincent and the Grenadines and Trinidad and Tobago.



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Throughout the period of the participation of Guaido's representative in the Councils of the OAS, he used meetings as a bully pulpit for expounding his political party's viewpoint. At a meeting of the Permanent Council on December 16, 2020, he falsely and maliciously excoriated the government of Trinidad and Tobago over the circumstances in which a boat sunk between Venezuela and Trinidad, calling for "an investigation into the treatment of Venezuelan migrants in Trinidad and Tobago". The boat, with no safety equipment on board, was built to carry eight persons but had 41 migrants on board. He was not challenged by the Chair of the Permanent Council - sadly a Representative of a CARICOM nation - for this offensive and false allegation. It was left to the Trinidad and Tobago representative to reject robustly the attack of an outlier in the OAS Council.

The only other body in the entire international system in which Guaido's representative illegally sits is the OAS ancillary body the Inter-American Development Bank - a situation that also requires

In the event, on October 6, 2022, at the 52nd Regular Session of the OAS General Assembly, Antigua and Barbuda, with the cosponsorship of 10 other countries, proposed a Resolution to overturn the illegal 2018 decision to seat Guaido's person as the representative of Venezuela. However, to get the item on the agenda of the meeting, according to the anachronistic and inappropriate rules, a majority of two-thirds of the membership was required.

The U.S. and Canada had vigorously and widely lobbied every government not to support the effort to get the topic on the agenda. Despite their efforts, a majority of member states - 19 of them voted to do so; only four countries voted against. The latter four countries were the U.S., Canada, Guatemala, and Paraguay. The two big countries managed to stop the transparent dialogue, which they demand should be standard conditions in nations, but they failed to garner support for the continuing illegal presence of Juan Guaidó's person in the councils of the OAS.

It is significant that the U.S. itself is now bargaining directly with the de facto and de jure government in Venezuela over oil and the swapping of prisoners, recognizing that Guaidó is in charge of nothing and that the fallacy of his "Interim Presidency" is fully exposed, as is the injury done to the OAS.

At the OAS General Assembly, Antigua and Barbuda, in presenting the item to remedy the folly of seating Guaidó's person, stated: "This is an effort to maintain the credibility, authority and integrity of the OAS".

It should be recorded that 11 of the 14 CARICOM countries voted in unity. Three governments abstained - Haiti because of its reliance on the U.S. in its current precarious situation; Guyana because of the sensitivity over its present border contention against Venezuela at the International Court of Justice; and Jamaica which has continuously voted favourably to install and maintain Guaido's representative.

However, the reality is that support for Guaidó has dwindled in the OAS to four declared member states, and while it was imposed, it was never credible and is now not sustainable.

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

Navi Digital Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2052459

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 28 September, 2022. The Liquidator is WANG, Xuerui

of No.107, Guoxiang Road, Yangpu District, Shanghai, China.

Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) WANG, Xuerui

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Lugang Morningstar

Technology Co., Ltd. (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2080821

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 27 September, 2022.

Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) LI NA

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

ORIENT YUNZHAN TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2009191

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 27 September, 2022. Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) MENG XIUFEN

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

BMD TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2085541

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 27 September, 2022.

Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) HUANG SIYUAN

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

Coral Tech Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2027000

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 27 September, 2022. Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) WU, CHAN Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the

BVI Business Company Act. Creation Foreign International Ltd

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2071059

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 3 October, 2022

Dated 12 October, 2022

(Sgd.) CHEN, Ling

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the

BVI Business Company Act. MINGYANG GLOBAL LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2083555

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 3 October, 2022.

Dated 12 October, 2022 (Sgd.) XIONG SHUHAO

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under th BVI Business Company Act. SuperAce Blockchain

Technology Private Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1990238

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 3 October, 2022.

Dated 12 October, 2022 (Sgd.) ZHANG ZHINONG

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the

BVI Business Company Act. PLASMASS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 158457

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 egister of Companies with effect from October, 2022.

Dated 12 October, 2022 Sgd.) John Grimshaw

oluntary Liquidator(s)

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Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. AMESTIX HOLDING LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1689110

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 3 October, 2022

Dated 12 October, 2022 (Sgd.) YAHAIRA DE SEDAS

Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. McMillian Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 521772

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 10 October, 2022

Dated 12 October, 2022 (Sgd.) Harry J. Thompson Voluntary Liquidator(s)

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004 **Projex Group Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 532696

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 13th October, 2022.

Dated: 13th day of October 2022 (Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan

Voluntary Liquidator

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Fairstone Holdings Limited

Company No. 1785553 (In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Fairstone Holdings Limited is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation Nie Shuoliang of Room 1002, No. 14,

ommenced on 13rd October 2022 and Get 458, South Road, Ruijin, Xuhui District, Shanghai City, China been appointed as the Sole Liquidator. Dated this 13th day of October 2022

Sgd. Nie Shuoliang Voluntary Liquidator

Serendipity International Holdings Inc.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1046955

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 13th day of October, 2022. Dated this 13th day of October, 2022

John Greenwood

Sgd. John Greenwood

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/14]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT **Emprix Management** Incorporated

("the Company") (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 13th October 2022; 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:-Marsha Corum

of Nerine Chambers, P.O. Box 905,

Quastisky Building, Road Town.

Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 13th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register

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The Liquidator is:-

DU Wei

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of No. 31 Qiaonan Street,

Gulou District, Kaifeng City, Henan Province,

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT

(NO. 16 OF 2004) Lefeng.com E-trading Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 13th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the

The Liquidator is:-ZHANG Xueping

of Group 2 Laolongmiao Village,

Xiangkou Town,

Yunxi County, Hubei Province,

China

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

XCYANG Holdings Ltd.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 13th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register

The Liquidator is:-

ZHAO Sibo

of No. 46 Toufa Hutong.

Xicheng District, Beijing.

China.

[72/18]

CAUCASUS TRADING S.A.

Company No. 211174

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that CAUCA-SUS TRADING S.A. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2022 and Mr. ETIENNE GILLET of 17 Rue Leon Laval, 3372 Leudelange, Lux-

embourg has been appointed as Sole

Liquidator. Dated this 14th day of October, 2022.

Sgd: Mr. ETIENNE GILLET Voluntary Liquidator [72/19]

MARTINI ENTERPRISES LIMITED

Company No. 365342 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that MARTINI ENTERPRISES LIMITED is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2022 and Ms. Angela Sok Cheng PAK of 20/F, Flat C, Block 6, Nan Fung Sun Chuen, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong has been appointed as Sole

Dated this 14th day of October, 2022. Sgd: Ms. Angela Sok Cheng PAK Voluntary Liquidator

[72/20]

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

Business Companies Act. 2004 **Bookends Investments** Corporation

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1878038

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 14th October, 2022. The liquidator is Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, Blackburne Highway (PO Box 116) Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Dated: 14th October,2022

(Sgd.) Philippa O'Sullivan Voluntary Liquidator [72/21]

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT MONTESE CONSULTANT

("the Company") (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th October, 2022; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

Danyel Falcon

40 SW 13th Street

Suite 802

Miami, FL 33130

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

Inc. (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1715143

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 14th day of October, 2022. The liquidator is LI Hui of Flat B, 1/F., Block 3, Braemar Hill Mansions, 19 Braemar Hill Road, North Point, Hong Kong.

Dated: 14th day of October 2022 (Sgd.) LI Hui

Voluntary Liquidator

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

Verita di Kot S.A.

- (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. - 1431755

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 27th day of September, 2022. The liquidator is Ms. Martha Spyrides of 42 Melinas Merkouri, 2411 Egkomi, Lefkosias, Cyprus.

Dated: 14th day of October, 2022. (Sgd.) Martha Spyrides

Martha Spyrides

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

DEVELOPMENT LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. – 1843705 NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to

ction 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 27th day of September, 2022. The liquidator is Ms. Martha Spyrides of 42 Melinas Merkouri, 2411 Egkomi, Lefkosias, Cyprus. Dated: 14th day of October, 2022.

(Sgd.) Martha Spyrides

Martha Spyrides

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

PACIFIC BRUNEI, LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1989481

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 11th day of October 2022. The Liquidator is Ray A. George, of Long Trench, Tortola, British Virgin

Islands.
Dated this 11th day of Octxober 2022.

Ray A. George Voluntary Liquidator [72/26]

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

Broad Creation Advertising Holdings Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2009326

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 18th October, 2022.

Dated: 18th day of October 2022

(Sgd.) Lin King Wai Voluntary Liquidator

[72/27]

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

TDH Xiongjun2 Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2016050

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 18th October, 2022.

Dated: 18th day of October 2022 (Sgd.) ZHANG Zhen

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/28]

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

PL (BVI) Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2097901

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 the 18th October 2022. The liquidator is Xudong JING of 5-8-23, No. 2, Tielu Street, Pingshan District, Benxi City, Liaoning Province, China.

Dated: 18th October 2022 (Sgd.) Xudong JING

Liquidator [72/29]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 Alatau Trading and Investments Ltd

> Company No. 1551814 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

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 18th day of October, 2022.

Dated 19th day of October, 2022 Sgd. Rachel Matthews Voluntary Liquidator

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

Woniu Holding Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2054346

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 19th October, 2022.

Dated: 19th day of October, 2022

(Sgd.) CHEN Jiajia Voluntary Liquidator

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004 **QLWR International Limited**

> (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2026048

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 19th October, 2022. Dated: 19th day of October, 2022

(Sgd.) ZHANG Zhen Voluntary Liquidator

[72/32]

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

IPLinks International Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2014492

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 19th October, 2022.

Dated: 19th day of October, 2022

(Sgd.) LIU Zhenhua

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/33]

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

TDH Xi International **Holding Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2016614

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 19th October, 2022. Dated: 19th day of October, 2022

(Sgd.) ZHANG Zhen

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/34]

LT Growth Investment XIX Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 1742034

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 19th day of October, 2022.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2022 Sgd. XU Fangying

XU Fangying Voluntary Liquidator [72/35]

SP - Mega Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 2057283

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 19th day of October, 2022.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2022 Sgd. Ooi Ah Tat

Ooi Ah Tat Voluntary Liquidator

SPM Mega Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company Number 2058953

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 19th day of October, 2022.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2022 Sgd. Ooi Ah Tat

Ooi Ah Tat Voluntary Liquidator [72/37]

MONIX Y COMPANIA

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1741181

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that MONIX Y COMPANIA LTD. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 13th day of October, 2022. The Liquidator is Andres Amenabar of Rosario Norte 555, Oficina 601, Comuna de las Condes, Region Metropolitana, Santiago de Chile.

Dated 18th day of October 2022.

(Sgd.) Andres Amenabar

Voluntary Liquidator

ROSARIO INVESTORS INC.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1988966

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ROSARIO INVESTORS INC. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 18th day of October, 2022. The Liquidator

Miss Nicola Gillespie c/o Citco B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands VG1110.

Dated 19th day of October 2022.

(Sgd.) Nicola Gillespie

Voluntary Liquidator [72/39]

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

ATLANTISS ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1791669

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 October 19th, 2022. The Liquidator is Delio Jose De Leon Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.

Dated: October 19th, 2022 (Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator [72/40]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.

CEDARWOOD GLOBAL

LTD. (In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 689776

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 October 11, 2022

Dated: October 19, 2022 (Sgd.) Stelios loakim Voluntary Liquidator [72/41]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1789289

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 October 10, 2022 Dated: October 19, 2022

(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela Voluntary Liquidator [72/42]

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MULLICA FINANCE INC.

Company No. 1798690 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that MULLICA FINANCE INC., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 19th October, 2022 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 the Sole Liquidator.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2022 Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez Voluntary Liquidator [72/43]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 Jungle Solutions Technology Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1724321

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (a) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 14th October, 2022. The Liquidator is Dominador Jr. Rosario of 36 B Sumapang Matanda Near Crossing Del Carmen, Village Sumapang Matanda, Malolos (Capital), Bulacam 3000. Philipopines.

Dated this 19th October, 2022.

Sgd. Dominador Jr. Rosario
Liquidator
[72/44]

Adiva Trading Limited

Company No. 1726653 (in voluntary liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the above named company, is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 3 October, 2022 and Karl Rudolph Van de Wall Arneman of Brakkeput Abou #11 Willemstad, Curacao is the voluntary liquidator.

(SGD.) Karl Rudolph Van de Wall

Karl Rudolph Van de Wall Arnem Voluntary Liquidator Dated:3 October ,2022 [72/45]

JENKO PARTICIPATION

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1850106

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 14th October 2022.

Dated 19th October 2022

Sgd. Arno Sprenger

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/46]

HOLEX ENTERPRISES S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company No. 465321

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 14th October 2022.

Dated 19th October 2022 Sgd. Arno Sprenger

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/47]

BOWIE UNITED S.A.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1768492

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 14th October 2022.

Dated 19th October 2022

Sgd. Arno Sprenger

Voluntary Liquidator [72/48]

Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act. SWISS JOYCE DEVEL-OPMENT LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 397251

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 October 14, 2022.

Dated: October 19, 2022

(Sgd.) Dr Alain B. Levy

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/49]

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

Chuandong Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 2071610

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 19 October 2022.

Dated: 19 October 2022.

(Sgd.) YANG Shaohua Liquidator

[72/50]

LOON TRADER INC.

Company No. 1800832 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that LOON TRADER INC. has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 14th October, 2022.

Dated this 20th day of October, 2022. Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/51]

STRUCK OFF BREDLAW INVESTMENT LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 607154

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection (1) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 19th day of October 2022.

Dated 20th October 2022

Sgd. Eleni Korelidou

Voluntary Liquidator [72/52]

STRUCK OFF BREDLAW INVESTMENT LTD.

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 607154

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection (1) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 19th day of October 2022

Dated 20th October 2022

Sgd. Eleni Korelidou

Voluntary Liquidator

[72/53]

NOTICE

BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)

JinxinChen Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register

The Liquidator is:-

Qing ZHAO

of 2-2H Beijing International Friendship Garden, A2 Zuojiazhuang Road,

Chaoyang District,

Beijing, 100028

China. [72/54] THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (PROBATE)

CLAIM NO. BVIHPB2022/

IN THE ESTATE OF ABDULLAH ALI MOHAMMED ALHAMRANI, LATE, OF HOUSE 32 MOHAMMED ABDUL JABAR STREET AL ANDALUS DISTRICT JEDDAH SAUDI ARABIA, DECEASED

ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Abdulaziz Abdullah Ali Alhamrani of House 32 Mohammed Abdul Jabar Street Al Andalus District, Jeddah Saudi Arabia for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the son of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate at 44 Green Street Westminster London W1K7FT on 25 June 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 19th day of October 2022

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

McNamara Chambers, 116 Main Street, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands; email: nstjean@mctodman.com
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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

IN THE ESTATE OF ALLAN ERICKSON VANTERPOOL, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by LENA DOMINGA VANTERPOOL of 14 Beverly Road, West Orange, New Jersey, 07052 United States of America and WILLIAM ERICSON VANTERPOOL of 36 Clonavor Road, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 United States of America for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the lawful children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on 27th of November 2009.

Any person or persons who has or have any objections to the granting of Letters of Administration to the applicants 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.

Dated this 18th day of October 2022

Signed: J.S. ARCHIBALD & CO,

Solicitors for the Intended Adminstrators

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PUBLIC NOTICE:

FORM P16: ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING) Rule 30 (2)

> The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Estate of ROGER EDWARD BIRKIN late of LANGTRY LODGE 1 MILL LANE WEST BROUGH HU15 1HG who died on 9TH DECEMBER 2021 domiciled in England

deceased

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the Grant of Letters of Administration with Will of ROGER EDWARD BIRKIN late of Langtry Lodge 1 Mill Lane West Brough HU15 1HG granted by the High Court of Justice of England and Wales, Newcastle District Probate Registry, 2nd Floor, Kings Court, Earl Grey Way, North Shields, NE29 6AR, United Kingdom on the 25th day of May

Philippa O'Sullivan BGA Law (BVI) Limited

Attorney-at-Law for the Administrators

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS (PROBATE) PROBATE NO. 0121 OF 2022

IN THE ESTATE OF HABIB HASSAN JOHAR HAYAT, DECEASED ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT **OF ADMINISTRATON**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by OMRAN H.H.J. HAYAT of Yarmouk, block 1, street 1, avenue 4, house No 2 - Kuwait for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is son/ issue of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 16th day of June, 2020.

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 11th day of October 2022.

Filed by THORNTON SMITH, legal practitioners for the Applicants, whose address for service is: Capitol Chambers, Parson's Estate, Sea Cow's Bay,

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, Applicants.

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation

The Liquidator is:-

Qing ZHAO of 2-2H Beijing International Friendship Garden, A2 Zuojiazhuang Road. Chaoyang District, Beijing 100028, China

[72/55]

NOTICE **BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES**

ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004) **Guo Sen Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation) NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-

Qing ZHAO of 2-2H Beijing International Friendship Garden, A2 Zuojiazhuang Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100028,

China. [72/56]

> NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004) **Zhi Qiying Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

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Qing ZHAO

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China. [72/57]

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

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SHI Shaoqing

of No. 4, Lane 6, Longtan Village beside Guangshan Highway, Donghai Town, Lufeng City, Guangdong Province,

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

BVIHPB2016/0143

In the Estate of Dubylovskyy Mykhaylo Yosypovych, late 56 Chemin de Beauregard, 13100 Aix en Provence, France, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that DUBYLOVSKA IRYNA MYKHAILIVNA currently residing at Spicers Field, Oxshott, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 OUT, United Kingdom; Investment Manager, a lawful child of DUBYLOVSKYY MYKHAYLO YOSYPOVYCH, deceased (the Deceased), who died on the 24th day of December, 2009 domiciled in France, intestate, has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration in the estate of the Deceased

ANY PERSON having any objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the said DUBYLOVSKA IRYNA MYKHAILIVNA shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections



Solicitors for the Intended Administratrix

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FORM P16: ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING) Rule 30 (2) The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Estate of KEITH SEAN BROTHERS late of 23 Quay West Apartments, Bridge Road, Douglas, Isle of Man, IM1 5AG who died on 2ND MAY 2022 domiciled in Isle of Man

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days, application will be made for ANNETTE POCKLINGTON of 23 Quay West Apartments, Bridge Road, Douglas, Isle of Man, IM1 5AG, to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the Grant of Probate of the estate of KEITH SEAN BROTHERS late of 23 Quay West Apartments, Bridge Road, Douglas, Isle of Man, IM1 5AG granted by High Court of Justice in the Isle Of Man, Civil Division (Probate Business), dated the 9 day of August 2022.

Philippa O'Sullivan BGA Law (BVI) Limited Attorney-at-Law for the Personal Representative Sea Meadow House, Blackburne Highway, PO Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, **British Virgin Islands VG1110**

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2ND ANNUAL BVI LIT FEST TO FEATURE WORLD RENOWNED WRITERS AND PERFORMERS

Tuesday, 18 October – H. Lavity Stoutt Community College (HLSCC) is pleased to announce the sponsors of the 2022 BVI Literary Arts Festival from 3rd – 6th November as part of the Department of Culture's Culture and Tourism Month.

This year's festival will showcase and feature literature, film, music, and spoken word

under the theme "Unspoken. Unwritten. Unknown." The diverse programme features writers and speakers from the Caribbean and its diaspora through a series of panels, readings, films,workshops, lectures and a local book fair. Featured artists and performers include world

renowned writers such as Kei Miller, Tiphanie Yanique, Tobias Buckell, and Desiree C. Bailey.

The expansion of activities this year is in no short part due to the patrons who have

graciously agreed to support the festival and its mission. The premier sponsor is Unite BVI Foundation, whose Executive Director, Dr. Sauda Smith stated, "I am

Executive Director, Dr. Sauda Smith stated, "I am proud to partner with the BVI Lit Fest as its Premier Sponsor for what promises to be three days

of engaging discussion,edifying workshops, and stellar performances."

President of HLSCC and Virgin Islands Poet Laureate, Dr. Richard Georges said, "I am deeply pleased to see the BVI Lit Fest grow. I am grateful to the Department of Culture, the BVI Tourist Board, Unite BVI, VP Bank and all of our sponsors for helping us make this a reality."

CEO of VP Bank, Nicholas Clark added, "VP Bank is delighted to be a Platinum Sponsor of

the 2022 BVI Lit Fest! Our principal shareholder, the Guido Feger Foundation, is a charitable foundation focused on fostering cultural developments with the local communities where VP

Bank has a presence. Through-the Foundation's support, we look forward to seeing the Festival flourish. We wish this inaugural event immense success and to become a key fixture in the BVI and Caribbean cultural calendars."

Silver Sponsors include Aleman Cordero Galindo & Lee and National Bank of the VirginmIslands. The Gold Sponsors are 284 Media and CCT, while other sponsors and partners include OBM BVI, the BVI
Tourist Board, and the
Office of the Governor.
On Friday 4th November,
the BVI Lit Fest will
present a series of
readings and panel
discussions at the HLSCC
Paraquita Bay Campus
followed by an evening
showcase of emerging
local writers at Sushi Bar
entitled Light A Fire.

On Saturday 5th

November, the festival will be offering writing workshops and a book fair at Maria's by the Sea. This will be followed on Saturday evening by the BVI Lit Fest Poetry Slam competition.

Poets will perform a three minute performance poem in response to this year's

theme:

"Unspoken. Unwritten. Unknown." The winner

will receive \$1,000 while the runner-up will receive \$250. To enter the Poetry Slam, poets must submit a short poetry performance video and written sample to smconnell@hlscc.edu.vg by 5:00 p.m. on 28 October, 2022.

To see the full schedule and the list of speakers for the BVI Lit Fest, please visit www.bvilitfest.com.

Family Support Network is seeking suitably qualified persons to fill the role of:

Non-Profit Chief Administrative Officer to join our motivated team and guide our organization forward.

The prospective candidate must have

- (i) At least 10 years work experience as a Non-Profit Chief Executive Office or similar role,
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- (vi) Experience working with domestic violence and at risk victims.

Please email: FSNBVIRecruitment@gmail.com for full details of the Job Brief and Responsibilities.

Remuneration: negotiable "

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Press Statement From Governor of the British Virgin Islands Mr John Rankin CMG



His Excellency John James Rankin CMG

On the 4th October I was pleased to publish the first Quarterly Review of the Framework for Implementation of the Recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry Report and Other Reforms which was agreed between the UK and Government of National Unity. The Quarterly Review is a key part of the process for monitoring the implementation of the COI recommendations.

The Review was sent to the UK for consideration by Ministers. I have now received a letter in response from the Rt Hon Jesse Norman MP, Minister for the Americas and Overseas Territories and as I promised on 4 October, this will now be published and shared with people in the BVI so that they can see it for themselves.

The first and most important point that was made in in the Quarterly Review was that there has been good progress in a number of areas, with work underway on most recommendations. The Review also noted that I was pleased with the overall constructive engagement and partnership I have had with the Premier and Cabinet. Most of the deadlines in the Framework have been met on time, and where there have been delays I was satisfied that this has been for legitimate reasons.

So while there is a long way to go in implementation of the COI recommendations to achieve the deep rooted reforms in governance that are required, I am pleased to stress that there has been a good start in many areas with many positives. To take a number of examples: the Audit Act has been amended to make failure to cooperate with, or impede, the work of the Auditor General a criminal offence; the recommended Police investigations are underway; the Auditor General is conducting the recommended audits; and responsibility for assistance grants has been transferred to the Social Development Department with a Review of the welfare benefits and grants system now taking place with the support of UNICEF.

The Review also raised some concerns in particular areas, including on the continued use of tender waivers and on making the Register of Interests for members of the House of Assembly more openly available.

Let me address the tender waiver issue in some more detail. The COI found that there was no open tender in two-thirds of all contracts valued over \$100,000 between January 2019 and April 2021. This, combined with contract splitting into petty contracts, was a disregard for good governance, transparency and accountability. That is why in the Framework document it was agreed that Cabinet documents relating to tender waivers should be published.

Unfortunately such waivers continue to come forward to Cabinet. I recognise that many of these to date have been legacy issues arising from the practices of the previous administration. But it remains important that we avoid tender waivers as much as possible and that the commitment to publication is kept.

Since the Framework document was agreed the new Public Procurement Act has become law. Tender waivers are no longer required, and the Act permits single source procurement in specified circumstances. single source procurement means no open tendering and the Act expressly makes clear that such procurement should only take place in exceptional circumstances. So looking forward, if two thirds of all contracts simply become single source procurements, rather than tender waivers, then little will have really changed. I very much hope that will not be the case and I will continue to work constructively with Government to support open tendering as much as possible and to ensure that the new Public Procurement Act is fully complied with.

On the Register of Interests the concern set out in the Ouarterly Review was that the amendments passed by the House of Assembly mean that the Register of members' interests has been made public only in a highly restricted way, with persons wishing to view the Register having to make a written application and pay a fee. They would then only be allowed to view the Register in the presence of the Registrar and would not be permitted to take any kind of copy or even notes of the contents, and fined for reproducing the contents. My hope is that the Government

and members of the House of Assembly will reflect further on their amendments and whether changes might be made to the Act which would more fully reflect the principles of transparency set out in the Framework document. For my part I will be happy to work constructively with the Government towards that end. Let me now turn directly to the response received from the Minister for the Overseas Territories.

As you will see, in his letter Minister Norman expressly recognises that there has been some real progress in implementation of the COI recommendations and that most deadlines have been met. He was also pleased to learn of the Premier and Cabinet's overall continued commitment to driving delivery in a constructive partnership.

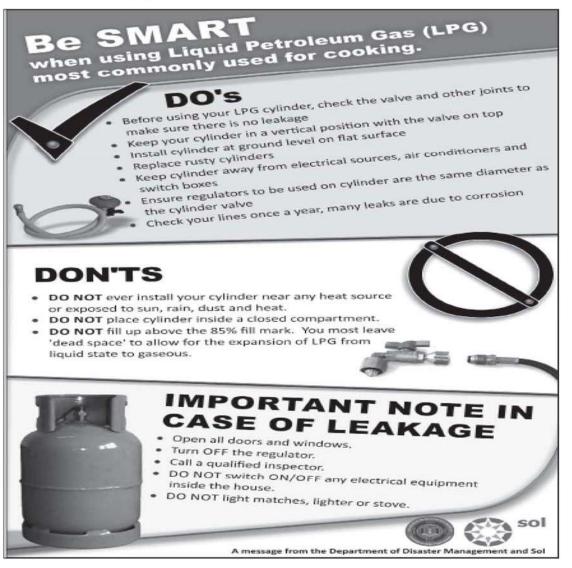
The Minister also notes the concerns expressed in the Quarterly Review, including in relation to tender waivers. He notes that the Framework document contained a clear

commitment to ensuring that "tender waivers are only agreed in exceptional, unavoidable cases, and which must be explained publicly" and that under the Public Procurement Act single source procurement must only be used in exceptional circumstances. The Minister makes clear his expectation that there will be immediate and substantial improvement in this area while recognising that there may be some legacy procurement issues from the previous administration which should be addressed proactively and promptly. The Minister asks me to submit a report at the start of December on the issue of tender waivers and single source procurement so that he can assess progress ahead of the next Quarterly Review in the public interest.

The Minister concludes his letter by agreeing overall that progress in this initial period of COI implementation has been sufficient to continue the current approach. But he notes that it is vital this is maintained, with commitments and deadlines met. And he notes that the people of the BVI want and deserve reform

and that the UK Government remains committed to taking the necessary actions to ensure that they see that reform delivered. Further to his letter, I'm pleased to let you know that Minister Norman is planning to visit the BVI next Thursday and Friday, 27 and 28 October. This will be an excellent opportunity for the Minister to meet the Premier, Ministers and members of the House of Assembly, and other key interlocutors and to listen to their views.

I know that the Minister's goal is to see a successful, thriving, well-governed BVI. That is a goal which I share as Governor and to which I remain committed. There is more to be done, and more hard work ahead. But if we continue to work together to implement the COI recommendations, then I am confident this can lead to the improved governance, transparency and accountability that the people of the BVI deserve.



CARICOM Member States deepening cooperation to fight crime; Ministers of National Security zero in on firearms trafficking

(CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana -Friday, 14 October 2022) -The Caribbean Community (CARICOM) is deepening

narcotics, maritime security, and cybercrimes. They underscored the importance of intelligence-sharing, aligning national and regional security priorities,



Minister and Minister of National Security of Jamaica, the Hon. Dr. Hor

cooperation among Member States to ensure the safety of the Region as increasing and new forms of crimes are occurring.

Ministerial CARICOM Council for National Security and Enforcement (CONSLE) met in Trelawny, Jamaica, on Thursday 6 October for the 24th Meeting of the Council for National Security and Law Enforcement. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Security Jamaica, the Hon. Horace Chang chaired the meeting. It was the first face-to-face meeting of the Council since the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic.

In their discussions, Ministers, Commissioners of Police and other security officials emphasized the urgency of tackling the threat of transatlantic organised crime, the transshipment of firearms and and building partnerships and capacity across law enforcement agencies.

The Meeting discussed matters that were critical to ensuring the viability and sustainability of the **CARICOM Implementation** Agency for Crime and Security (CARICOM IMPACS) - the nerve centre of the Region's multilateral Crime and Security management architecture - in the face of a changing security environment.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, Deputy Prime Minister Chang pointed out that delegates focused heavily on firearms trafficking which he said was "maybe the greatest threat to the Caribbean countries," where firearms are more widely used in homicides. Earlier, noted that "none of our countries manufacture firearms and yet the ill effects of their proliferation and the contribution to gang violence and transnational criminal activities permeates our respective territories and are responsible for more than 70% of homicides in CARICOM".

"It's a Caribbean problem and we need to get on top of that issue," he said.

Delegates were updated on the CARICOM Crime Gun Intelligence Unit which will be operational within one month with the support of the Caribbean Interpol Liaison Office.

The CONSLE Chair saidthat regional cooperation is integral to establishment of the requisite infrastructure deal needed to with firearms trafficking the associated criminality such as drug trafficking occurring almost simultaneously, expanding cybercrime activity.

"The fact that we were able to focus especially on the firearms trafficking at this meeting was of significant value and we can say we have entered a new era of cooperation in seeking to deal with a common threat to the Caribbean," Dr. Chang said.

The series of meetings during the week included discussions on Maritime Security with the United National Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Preparations for a High Level CARICOM Summit to address Crime and Violence as a Public Health Issue also engaged the attention of a committee established for the event.

Reduce your risk of coronavirus infection:



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Cover nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with tissue or flexed elbow





Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms

Thoroughly cook meat and eggs





Avoid unprotected contact with live wild or farm animals



Dr. D. ORLANDO SMITH HOSPITAL-VISITATION RETURNS TO NORMAL

The general public is being notified that effective immediately the visitation times at the Dr. D. Orlando Smith hospital have returned to normal (pre-Covid) hours of 11 am - 8 pm.

This return of open visiting means that there is no longer a limit on the number of people allowed at the bedside and the screening previously done is being discontinued.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004) SIP Oriza Chong Yuan M&A Co. Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of October 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

CHU Lingling

of Room 2306, Building 6, Heqiao Lijing Apartment, Suzhou Industrial Park, Jiangsu Province,

China. [72/59]

Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004 Sun Global Capital Limited

(In Voluntary Liquidation) Company No. 1984406

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 20 October 2022.

Dated: 20 October 2022. (Sgd.) Yufeng ZHANG
Liquidator

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

CLAIM NO. BVIHC (COM) 0172 of 2022

IN THE MATTER OF SAPINDA ASIA LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER OF SECTIONS 159(1)(a) AND 162(1)(a) OF THE BVI INSOLVENCY ACT, 2003

BETWEEN:

ELI SABAG

Applicant

-and-

SAPINDA ASIA LIMITED

Respondent

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an Application for the appointment of Mr. Roy Bailey of Ernst & Young Ltd, Ritter House, Wickhams Cay II, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110 and Mr. Joel Edwards of Ernst & Young Ltd, EY Bermuda Ltd., 3 Bermudiana Road, Hamilton HM08, Bermuda, licensed insolvency practitioners under the Act, as joint liquidators of SAPINDA ASIA LIMITED ("the Company"), whose registered office is located at Start Incorp Services Limited, Start Chambers, Wickham's Cay II, P.O. Box 2221, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands was made to the High Court of Justice on 7th October 2022 by the Applicant, Mr Eli Sabag of 204 NW 4th Avenue Hallandale Beach, Florida 33009.

Any creditor or member of the Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Application may appear at the time of the hearing on Monday the 5th day of December 2022 at 10:00 in the forenoon by himself or his Counsel for the purpose, at the BVI Commercial Court (currently sitting virtually). A copy of the Application will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or member of the Company requiring the same on payment of the regulated charge.

NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Application must serve on, or send by post to, the below named, notice in writing of his intention to do so, no later than 16:00 hours on Friday the 2nd day of December 2022. The notice must be in accordance with Rule 162 of the Insolvency Rules, 2005 and must state the name and address of the person or firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any):

CONYERS DILL & PEARMAN
Legal Practitioners on behalf of the Applicant
Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1
P. O. Box 3140
Road Town, Tortola
British Virgin Islands, VG1110

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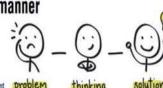
Before you discipline a child



T - take a few deep breaths

O - observe the needs of your child

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Please contact us tchgroup.vi@gmail.com [s74]

ISLAND SUPPLIES - We are seeking a Bookkeeper with at least 2 years experience and knowledge of basic accounting entry skills. Please contact us at 496-6407.

Business Location: Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. [\$72]

PREMIER-PUMPING CONCRETE is seeking a Full Time Concrete Pump Operator, with at least 3 years experience. Interested person please call 342-7588. [s72] Bamboushay-Lounge Restaurant and Bar is hereby seeking to employ a full time General cleaner. Must be able to work weekend and holidays. Please send resume to info@ bamboushaylounge.com

Facilities Maintenance Technician needed immediately growing sustainable resort. Applicants must have minimum 5 years experience in all aspects of facilities maintenance - including, but not limited to - Refrigeration, A/C, Plumbing, and Electrical systems. Formal education in these areas, management experience, and other related skill sets are an advantage. Must be willing to live and work on Jost Van Dyke and be available 24/7 to provide our guests with the highest quality service.

Contact WBV Management at info@jostvandyke.com or call 1-800-778-8066

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TENNIS.BVI is looking for a highly experienced TENNIS COACH to assist with running a tennis program consisting of kids' tennis, junior tennis, and adult tennis group classes and private lessons, who also has a strong background in running successful tennis tournaments and social events. Required qualifications include:

Bachelor's or College Degree (Psychology or Business degree preferred).

Professional Tennis Experience Evidenced by ITF Junior and WTA rankings.

Extensive-Coaching, Managerial,-and Administrative Experience Multilingual

Candidate must also have strong interpersonal skills, creative thinking and patience for teaching young children, empathy and positive attitude when dealing with customers of all ages and cultural backgrounds, be flexible in terms of working schedule, have the ability to anticipate and execute, is willing to learn, and has strong organizational and administrative skills. Applicants can send their CV to tennis.bvi@gmail.com

Total Homecare BVI has a vacancy for one applicant to do the following HOUSEKEEPING, CAREGIVING. BABYSITTING/NANNY & MASSAGE THERAPY.. you must be certified in housekeeping, caregiving & massage therapy and a minimum of 5 years experience in the field. Minimum wage is offered for this position. Please apply with resume to: info@totalhomecarebvi.com or telephone: 341-0783

Employment Vacancy General Manager/Chef

Road Town Restaurant Successful applicant with qualification and skills as follows: 7 years experience within restaurant trade in a top managerial position including proven culinary experience, higher education is certainly essential, having culinary diploma or degree will be a major plus. Proficient with POS systems - Front and Back office - Touch Bistro would be expected. Good knowledge of marketing and event management, ability to do daily procurement inventory control. Solid understanding off overall beverages with wines and spirits very much necessary.

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Qualified applicants only when submitting one's resume with such individuals called for interview.

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B&D AUTO CAR RENTAL is looking a Full Time Welder/Bodyman; must have at least 3years experience. Please call 499-1470/546-1470 for further details. BVI Islanders/Belonger Preferred.[s72]

QUAMI SEWING DESIGN LIMITED is seeking Full Time Tailors and Seamstress. Persons must 5years experience. Please call 494-7856/543-2840 for further details. [s72]

AXE-MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT is seeking full time 3 Carpenters,

2 Masons, 2 Plumbers and 2 Landscapers.

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