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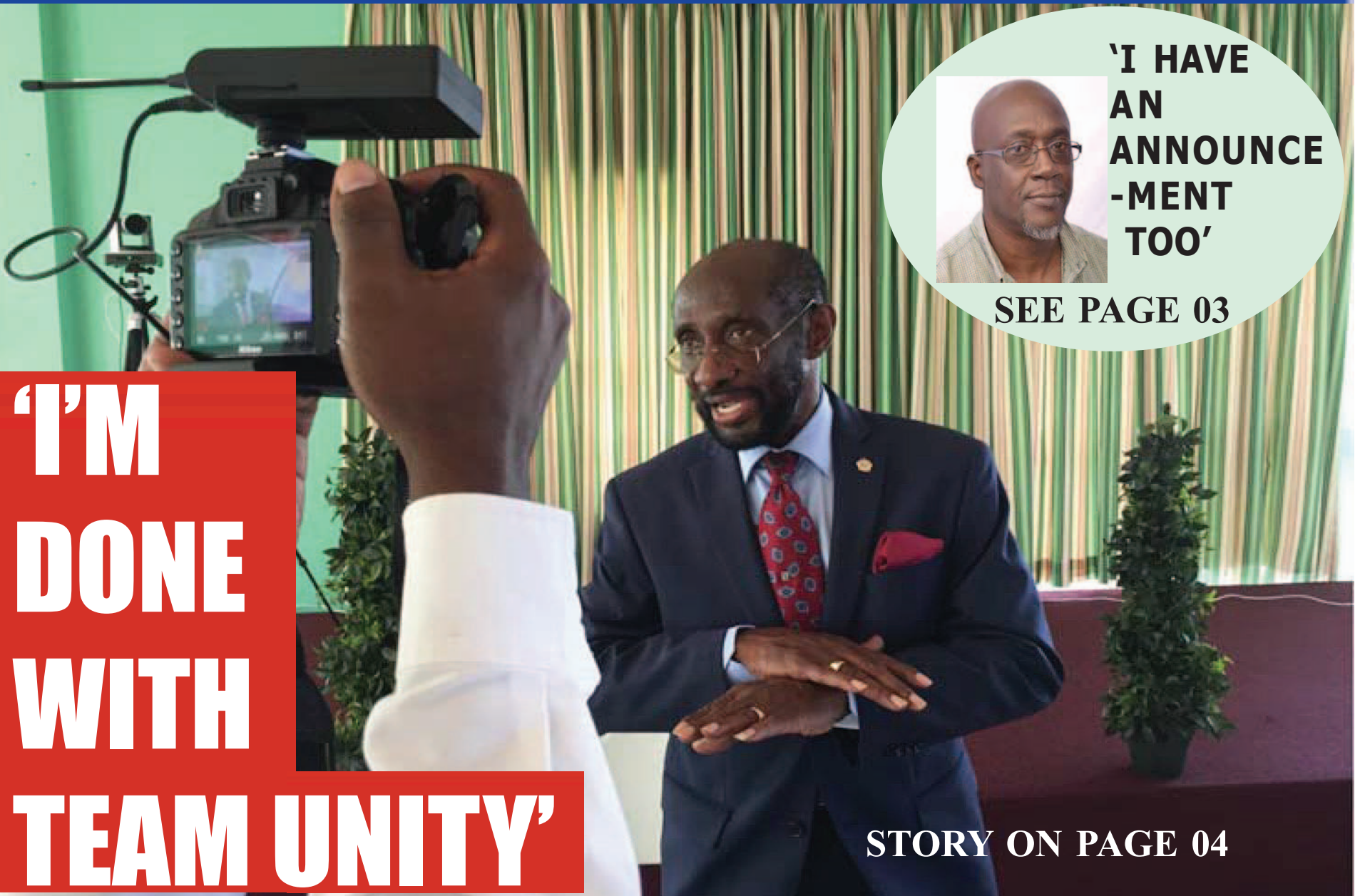
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Editorial

Harris Has Disqualified Himself

The 2008 economic and financial catastrophe was a global experience. We, St. Kitts and Nevis, dealt with it in such a calm and successful manner that others have been left wondering aloud.

In the process, we developed a home-grown approach and methodology for dealing with The International Monetary Fund (IMF) and its programme of financial help, unlike any seen before.

That programme, and our timely recovery, attracted high ratings, admiration and commendation of The IMF, other international organisations, and of nations worldwide. Indeed, St. Kitts and Nevis became regarded as an outstanding model and example for other small states where it came to dealing with, and recovering from, that terrible experience.

Our beloved Comrade Leader, Dr. The Right Honourable Denzil Douglas, was at the time our nation's prime minister and minister for finance. So outstanding was his performance that numerous international organisations and agencies called upon him to lead efforts designed to assist Small Island Developing States with overcoming the problems of that crisis.

In each and every instance Comrade Douglas proved highly successful, just as he had been at home, and was accorded high praises and commendations.

Those accomplishments have proven to be like a bone in the craw of Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris. At each and every opportunity he seeks to bad-mouth Dr. Douglas, and accuses him of leaving the country owing The IMF some one hundred seventeen million dollars (\$117,000,000), quite conveniently avoiding the fact that our repayments to the agency were very much on schedule, and that we had been the very first country anywhere in the world to return to that body unused, stand-by funds.

Harris conveniently tries to side-step the fact that the programme was a highly successful one, that our debt reduction was not only on target, but ahead of schedule, and that when Labour demitted office, they left more than eight hundred million dollars (\$800,000,000) in the Treasury.

But Harris has to do as he does. Having spent years maligning our beloved Comrade Leader, he cannot now do otherwise. That would require him to admit that he misled our people, and that he just cannot afford to do.

So it is that whenever Comrade Douglas is spoken well of, it drives Harris nuts. It is for such reasons that he is forever trying to claim that under his leadership, if that it be at all, St. Kitts and Nevis has been rated as some kind of 'example' for other nations of the world.

What rubbish!

Headlines such as 'Quick Government Action Weakens Corona Impact' are as misleading as they are dangerous.

Were it not for the fact that Mr. Garth Wilkin wrote an open letter to our people about the dangers of the coronavirus pandemic,

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(ST. KITTS CIRCUIT)

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FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

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SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

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(PROBATE)

In the Estate of JOSEPH JACOB HALLIDAY,
late of North Pelican Drive, Bird Rock, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application had been filed by MAZIE HALLIDAY and VINETTE HALLIDAY both of North Pelican Drive, Birdrock, Basseterre, St. Kitts for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the wife and daughter of the deceased having died intestate on the 11th day of March, 2018.

Dated this 9th day of March, 2020

Filed on behalf of the Applicant by Marsha T. Henderson of Henderson Law Chambers, Chambers Suite 7, The Sands Complex, Bay Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts. Telephone Number: (869) 465-6242. The Applicant's address for service is at Henderson Law Chambers.

Harris would never have acted when he did, and put in place some semblance of arrangements for protecting our people.

It is easy to see that he was far more concerned about the likely effects and impact which the health crisis would have on his plans and arrangements for general elections.

We, the people of St. Kitts and Nevis, should be grateful to Mr. Wilkin for his personal courage, undoubtedly knowing in advance that he would have been attacked in the very personal way in which he eventually was.

Another, and perhaps even more serious aspect of Dr. Harris' behaviour, is that of his perpetual attempts to absolve himself from the cabinet decisions which were made while he was a member of the government.

That is a matter of the highest order, and thus deserves our most serious concerns and attention.

Harris' attempts to disassociate himself from such responsibilities, weaken the constitutional and legal validity of collective responsibility, one of the foundational pillars of governmental accountability. Those efforts will eventually result in the destruction of a key feature in our system of government.

No matter how he tries, he cannot now divest himself of his share of the responsibility for the decisions made and policies implemented while he was a member of cabinet. So that, whenever he opens his mouth and tries to stigmatise Comrade Douglas, he also condemns himself.

Whenever a person condemns himself out of his own mouth, it is extremely unlikely that one could find stronger evidence against such a person.

If Dr. Harris truly disagreed with those decisions and policies made when he was a member of Comrade Douglas' cabinet, he should have resigned. Why did he not do so?

Were his concerns about the policies and the people, or were they about himself?

After dismissing Dr. Harris from his cabinet, and in the run-up to the February 2015 general elections, our beloved leader, Comrade Dr. Denzil Douglas repeatedly warned the people of St. Kitts and Nevis that we did not really know Dr. Harris, and therefore we should not allow ourselves to be taken in by him.

Many did not heed those words of warning. Ever since, more and more of such persons have developed buyer's remorse. Oh, how they regret that they allowed themselves to be taken in by Harris and his utterances?!

The number grows, daily, of persons now openly speaking out about their terrible experiences at the hands of Dr. Harris.

Dr. Timothy Harris has made this election all about himself, and about his continuing as prime minister. In addition to his utterly dismal performances, inadequacies and incompetence, he has shown himself to be unworthy of any such consideration.

Effectively, Harris has disqualified himself.

Dr. The Right Honourable Denzil Llewellyn Douglas has shown himself to be the outstanding and magnificent leader and manager that he truly is.

Comrade Douglas is the person that our country needs at the helm of the ship of state, especially as we are now facing some of the most serious economic, financial, health and general development challenges that our nation has ever had to.

When we go to the upcoming polls, we MUST bear all of these considerations in mind, and we shall therefore be compelled to vote for the change of government that will allow us to once again have our beloved Comrade Leader in office as prime minister.

**On St. Kitts
VOTE LABOUR,
and on Nevis VOTE NRP.**

Douglas, Newcomer Opponent Talk Representation In Constituency Six

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 22nd May 2020) – Criticism about representation in Constituency Six by newcomer candidate Kevin ‘Nicky’ Williams of the People’s Labour Party (PLP) has been responded to by his running mate, Leader of the St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and former Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas.

He was at the time responding to a question posed by this media house at an SKNLP press conference held on Tuesday 19th May 2020 regarding recent comments by Williams.

A PLP press release informed of a launch ceremony that was held at Willett Great House in St. Paul’s on Monday 18th May 2020 whereby Williams expressed it was a pleasure to be selected to represent the people of St. Paul’s and Constituency Six noting that he observed that the people have been suffering all the time as a result of poor representation stating that they have always been taken for granted by the leadership, and that is what he is aiming to change.

Williams was quoted, in part, as saying: “We have the right to stand up and counted and not to be counted while sitting down,” said Mr. Williams. “What I want to instill in all of you young guys is to come out and come forward and to show that we have the right as any other constituents. You need proper representation – somebody who will look for you, and this is what I will bring to you guys.”

In addressing Williams’ view, Dr. Douglas remarked: “The matter of neglect of Constituency Number Six by the leadership of the Labour Administration or by the MP elected there for several years coming from ‘Ninky’ is really a big joke because Ninky himself has been a very prominent product of the progressive policies of the St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party administration and the personal services of the elected representative there.”

Duncan ‘Big Lice’ Wattley Talks About Announcement He Plans To Make

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 22nd May 2020) – Well-known civil servant and calypsonian Duncan ‘Big Lice’ Wattley- from Cayon- has expressed respect for Sam Condor concerning his decision to resign from government office, and in an exclusive interview with this media house, he gave an insight into an announcement of his own that he plans to make tonight-Friday 22nd May 2020.

“I attended the press conference for the honourable Sam Condor and I think he did justice. I think it was Sam Condor- like. That is what he stands for in terms of being true to his office and he has decided to resign for whatever reason; we have to respect that and I think he gave a good account of himself this morning and we look forward to hearing from him during this campaign time and the future because I think he is a good statesman and I believe that he has a lot to offer to the development of our democracy in St.Kitts and Nevis,” he said.

When asked role he intends to play during this political campaign season, Wattley had this to say: “Well, I will play my part. I have put on Facebook that I will make an announcement; that I have some things to say in line with what is going on and I think that it is important that I say it now because as you say it’s the political season but at the same some things you need to nip in the bud before it gets out of hand and I think that the time is right for me to address certain issues that has been affecting me for over the last couple months now.”

Wattley is of the view that being a civil servant should not prevent him from airing his views.

“Well, I still work for the government. I’m the Director of the Diaspora Affairs Unit in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; that is my position with regards to government but I still believe that we have a right as citizens to express ourselves and say what we have to say with certain things and that is what I am using to express what I have to say and I don’t think that being a civil servant should prevent me from airing my views and so that is what it is.”

Via a post on his person social media account on Facebook, on Wednesday 20th May, he told “Just need to make an announcement. Friday night at 8:30 pm. Duncan “Big Lice” Wattley will speak live on Facebook. Spread the word.”

Front banner inset photo: Duncan ‘Big Lice’ Wattley

Dr. Douglas continued: “I will not of course enhance ‘Ninky’ on this platform but just

to say that as a result of our policies, as a result of the formal representation that I myself presented for the benefit of the people of Constituency Number Six and St. Paul’s in particular why he was able to go off to study in Cuba, became a professional person after being enrolled in the St. Kitts-Nevis Defense Force. It is our policy that every young person must realise his dream.”

According him: “The only difference here is that if he is dreaming to become a representative in Number Six that dream will not be realized under me; that’s the only difference but I can assure you that he is the product of the very progressive policies especially enhancing the development of young people that is why I think Ninky can be where he is today so it is a joke for Ninky to say that I have neglected or the Labour government has neglected the people of that constituency. I don’t believe any constituency in this country has advanced more than how we have seen that constituency.”

Speaking about the development of the constituency, Dr. Douglas said: “It was considered before to be the poorest; that is not I believe the label being given to it today. In the human resource development in particular that is a joke. I believe that when I took that constituency for representation in the parliament, I don’t even think you had more than 10 -15 [university] graduates in the whole constituency. Look at it today; they are in every sphere of service in the public and in the private sector.”

“Many of the people from that constituency today are in our hospitals as doctors, as nurses pursuing to a large extent their national responsibilities to serve the interest of the people of St.Kitts and Nevis, and don’t talk about the housing revolution and land distribution evolution that has taken place in the constituency Number Six. So I think again Ninky is apparently seeking ‘noticement’ and attention in making ridiculous statement like those,” he added.

FRONT PAGE PHOTOS: (left) Dr. Denzil Douglas and Kevin ‘Ninky’ Williams

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

ISLAND OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER

TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CAP 10.19

A.D. 2020

Claim No.

In the Matter of Section 144 of the Title By Registration Act Cap 10.19,

And in the matter of an application by Hendrickson’s Legal Chambers, Attorneys-at-Law on behalf of JAMES BUCHANAN for the replacement of a lost Certificate of Title to land contained in Book F2 Folio 46 of the Register of Titles for the Island of St. Christopher

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an Application has been made to the Registrar in Chambers for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of a lost Certificate of Title to land being **ALL THAT** lot piece or parcel of land situate at Bourkes Estate known as Lot No. 1 and measuring as follows: On the North by Lot No 2, 56.15 feet, On the East by lands of Bourkes Estate, 50 feet, On the South by lands of Saddler, 55 feet and On the West by the Island Main Road, 50 feet and containing by admeasurement two thousand seven hundred and seventy nine square feet, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan thereof by Thomas A. Molyneaux dated the 4th day of January 198 0 .

Any person who may be in possession of the said Certificate of Title or any information which may lead to its recovery is kindly requested to contact Hendrickson’s Legal Chambers, New Road, St. Peter, St. Kitts.

Dated the 14th day of May 2020.

HENDRICKSON’S LEGAL CHAMBERS
Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicant

Sam Condor Publicly Quits Team Unity 16 Days Before Election

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERE, St.Kitts (Friday 22nd May 2020) – Well-known public figure Sam Condor has quit his relationship with the Team Unity government and is asking voters to be guided by their conscience in the upcoming 5th June 2020 General Elections as a turn of events on the political scene has now seen him now refreshing his support for the St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) whose administration and political organisation he left in January 2013.

“Honesty, humility and selfless service have always been my watch words and I will never, never compromise them for anything or anyone. That is why I am at peace with all my decisions past and present, and more importantly, I’m at peace with my God,” he has said.

Two weeks ahead of polling day, at a press conference held at the held on Thursday 21st May 2020 OOJJ’s Conference Center in Camps, he made an address as “citizen Sam Condor” having announced his resignation as St.Kitts-Nevis Ambassador to the United Nations, an appointment of October 2015.

To date, for him, the government has failed to implement the good governance agenda.

“The last election cycle, I advocated for a change that would revert our focus to the values and ideas that have been part of me since my childhood. I was passionate and resolute in my advocacy for a better St.Kitts and Nevis. My decision to break with the St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party was not made lightly as its stellar leaders over the years have been my mentors but I believe then and still do that I must be true to my ideals and principles; I must be consistent. That was why I co-founded the People’s Labour Party [PLP] and pledged to work hard to instill in it the values and principles of a true people’s Labour party.”

The PLP-headed by Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris who was

fired from the SKNLP administration in January 2013- was founded in June 2015.

“Unfortunately, the PLP has deviated from founding principles and I can no longer influence its direction. This issue is so dear to my heart that I’ve determined that I must remain resolute and consistent and so I stand here today before the citizens of St.Kitts and Nevis and my Almighty God very disappointed that my dream of a better St.Kitts and Nevis is not being realized by once idealistic colleagues who in five short years have forgotten why the unity construct and its agenda appealed to so many of our

people,” Condor noted.

According to him: “Regrettably, they have failed to implement the good governance agenda that was our mantra of 2015. These good governance measures were deemed urgent and necessary to strengthen our democracy and to end the vicious cycle of recrimination, hostility and tribalism among our people. Unfortunately, we have not seen the focus necessary to address this level of divisiveness in our society and if anything our society is more divided now than it has ever been. I therefore intend to challenge any status quo that does not accord to the principles of fairness and justice; this I’ve done all my life for I deem it essential, indispensable to our continued progress and development and as society and people.”

Condor pointed to issues affecting St.Kitts-Nevis including electoral reform and good governance stability.

“Amidst the unprecedented challenge of the COVID pandemic, we find ourselves struggling with a myriad of problems; some of which should have long been behind us. These include the electoral and constitutional reform, unifying our fractured nation, good governance sustainability and our very survival in a hostile world.”

He went on to say: “Fellow citizens, our ability to rise to the challenge is about to be tested once again. Shall we triumph or

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 10.19
NEVIS CIRCUIT
A. D. 2020

Claim No. NEVHCV2015/0004

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

DELORES MARTIN

- Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at High Court, Prince William Street, Charlestown, Nevis, on the 28th day of May 2020 at 3.00 o'clock in the forenoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

The Property will be available for inspection prior to the date of sale by appointment with the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land described as Sub-Lot No. 9 situate at Long Point Estate in the Parish of St. John in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North-East by a 20' Road Reserve, 200.31 feet; On the South-East by a 20' Road Reserve, 10.44 feet and 132.60 feet; On the South-West by lands of Pansy Martin (Sub-lot 8), 205.00 feet; and On the North-West by lands of Pansy Martin (Sub-lot 10) 163.96 feet and containing by admeasurement 0.7132 acre (or 31,065 square feet), all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the **11th day of December, 2001 and registered in **Book 39 Folio 395** of the Register of Titles of the Nevis Circuit in favour of **DELORES MARTIN** of New Pond Site, in the town of Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.**

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$111,834.00**

Dated the 18th day of March 2020

Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court



THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
A.D. 2019

Claim No. SKBHPB2019/0024

In the Estate of VINCENT INNISS late of Bird Rock, Basseterre,
in the Island of Saint Christopher, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by JOHNSON & ASSOCIATES, Attorneys-at-Law for DARLENE INNISS of Bird Rock, St. Kitts, but presently residing at 774 East 233rd Street, Bronx, New York 10466, United States of America and LEIGHTON INNISS of Bird Rock, St. Kitts but presently residing at 4358 Wickham Avenue, Bronx, New York 10466, United States of America and DESIREE INNISS of Bird Rock, St. Kitts, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 25th day of August, 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 3rd day of April, 2019

Filed by: JOHNSON & ASSOCIATES, Attorneys-at-Law whose address for service is:
C17 The Sands, Bay Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Telephone Number 466-2018.

[FIRST / ~~SECOND~~ PUBLICATION]

Sam Condor Quits Team Unity...

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will we flounder and perish like so many other once great nations? Today, I challenge each and every citizen to examine his or her conscience and summon the innate strength and courage necessary to make the right and wise decision in the upcoming watershed elections. This is pivotal to our future as we are at the crossroads and must make wise choices on leadership, policy directions and the kind of country we want to live in post COVID-19 and beyond."

"It is my considered view that this period offers us a fresh start; a new beginning to right the wrongs to a tone, to renew time honoured principles and to keep faith with our ancestors whose sacrifices and struggles we have somehow betrayed," Condor added.

Additionally, he highlighted that he has been engaged in soul searching.

"I myself have been engaged in serious soul-searching over the past several months, undergoing painstaking introspection and retrospection. The COVID-19 lockdown has afforded me time to pause to reflect and renew my sense of duty and purpose. This introspection confirmed for me that my task is yet unfinished."

Of his ambassadorial post, he shared: "Indeed, it was for me an honour and privilege to have been afforded the opportunity to serve my country in the said capacity. It is my considered view that a lifetime of public service is the least I can do to give back to St. Kitts and Nevis my country that I owe and love so much," he commented.

As a former senior SKNLP official, Condor has served as Member of Parliament for Constituency Three (West Basseterre) and Deputy Prime Minister of the Dr. Denzil Douglas-led administration.

Following the February 2015 General Elections, the fresh three-party Team Unity organisation comprising of the PLP, People's Action Movement (PAM) and the Concerned Citizens Movement (CCM) formed the new government ousting the SKNLP.

Front page Photo: Well-known public figure Sam Condor seen during an on camera interview after his

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District "A"
To the Superintendent of Police.

I, **Craig Sutton** now residing in **Upper Cayon** in the village of **Cayon** do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on **02nd day of April, 2020** to the **District Magistrate** at **Basseterre** for a **Retail Liquor Licence** in respect of my premises in **Craig Hide Away** in **Upper Cayon, Cayon Village** in **St. Kitts**.

Dated this
04th day of **March, 2020**.

Signed: **C. Wilson**

Case Number :SKBHPB2020/0024

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(ST. KITTS CIRCUIT)

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

A.D. 2020

(PROBATE)

Submitted Date:13/05/2020 14:54

Filed Date:13/05/2020 14:54

Fees Paid:12.00

In the Estate of **ATHLYN WILLIAMS** late of 684 East 22nd Street, Apt 5F,
Bronx, New York, United States of America, 10467, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application had been filed by **CORELLE WILLIAMS** of 3940 Carpenter 6 M Bronx, New York, United States of America, 10466 a Cashier Officer and **ALYSSA WILLIAMS** of 4420 Monticello Avenue, Bronx, New York, United States of America, 10466 an Operational Dispatcher for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the children of the deceased having died intestate on the 7th day of September, 2019.

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 May, 2020

Filed on behalf of the Applicants by Britney S. Jeffers of Henderson Law Chambers, Chambers Unit 7, The Sands Complex, Bay Road Basseterre, St. Kitts. Telephone Number: (869) 465-6242. The Applicant's address for service is at Henderson Law Chambers.

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Dated: 22/5/2020

By Order,

Cedric Jeffers
General Manager

In Barbados Today interview Ambassador Condor resigns; says Prime Minister Timothy Harris has failed to deliver on several promises made

Basseterre, St Kitts, May 21, 2020 - Former St. Kitts and Nevis' Ambassador to the United Nations, His Excellency Sam Condor said Wednesday, that the Timothy Harris administration has not done enough during its tenure to introduce and implement its good governance agenda on which the 2015 general election was fought.

In an interview prior to his Thursday press conference, the former Deputy Prime Minister in the last Denzil Douglas St Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) administration, explained that this would be a major issue again in the upcoming general election. Condor suggested that the Labour Party lost the last general election despite having a number of good programmes.

"I believe the main issue will be the new government's agenda. I could say the election is not about programmes. The Labour Party had tremendous programmes, they had a number of projects going on, the economy was going well and they were paying back the IMF debt they had borrowed. In fact, they were ahead [of] schedule in repaying the debt, the SIDF [Sugar Industry Diversification Foundation]. So it was not a question of programmes and policies, and so on, not even the health of the economy, it was a question of the good governance agenda. The functional deficits, those were not addressed," he said.

He noted that five years ago the election boundaries were an issue and these was only decided a couple days before the election, where the matter went before the Privy Council. He said five years had now passed and the incumbent (Timothy Harris) Government still had not addressed the boundaries situation.

"As a matter of fact, people are wondering which boundaries they are going to go to now, five years later. So those are some issues that are going to [be highlighted] in the election campaign," he said.

Condor stated some of the governance issues which he expected to be raised in the general election would include transparency and corruption.

"Transparency, accountability, freedom of information, public accounts committee, the whole works, the whole gamut, the whole range of good governance issues. Election campaign funding, you name it, nepotism, corruption," he remarked.

Condor explained that in the last election there were people who thought it was the time for a new dispensation and they voted accordingly.

He said there was a sense of the same thing now ahead of next month's general election. "They wanted to have things done differently [five years ago], they are looking for a new way [in 2020]. I think what has happened is that they have seen their

hopes and aspirations dashed. And again some people have become very cynical that 'boy look, they are the same'. So I think we have some of that happening," he said.

Condor, however, gave the Harris administration credit for the manner it had handled the COVID-19 pandemic so far.

"I think the government has done fairly well with the pandemic but I think they have missed an opportunity to get the whole country on board. But that being said, I think they really tried. People feel that the curfew has been excessive because we had 15 cases and all recovered. We don't have any now and we didn't have any deaths.

"Our borders are still closed. There is a general view that there have been a little excessive. Some church people are questioning whether they should be allowed some limited worship . . . but there would always be some people who would want to do things differently," he said.

Condor said the general election would be a very close contest but he believed the Labour Party could recapture the government.

Barbados' Today newspaper reported early Thursday the resignation of St Kitts and Nevis' Ambassador to the United Nations His Excellency Sam Condor, noting it came just two weeks before the June 5, general elections.

Condor previously served as the twin-island federation's Foreign Minister in then Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas' St Kitts and Nevis Labour Party government.

He was Deputy Prime Minister between 1995 and 2013 before quitting the party and joining the Team Unity Alliance. Condor played a key role in Team Unity Alliance winning the 2015 general election under current Prime Minister Dr Timothy Harris.

Two Sergeants Promoted To The Rank Of Acting Inspector

Basseterre, St. Kitts, May 20, 2020 (RSCNPF): Two Sergeants, who were lauded for their work ethic and dedication on the job, officially joined the core of Gazetted Officers following their promotion to the rank of Acting Inspector.

At a brief ceremony held in the Commissioner's Office at



Inspector (Ag.) Carlene Phipps Inspector (Ag.) Jasper Carty

Police Headquarters today (May 20), Sergeants Jasper Carty and Carlene Phipps were given their letters indicating their promotions would take effect as of February 15, 2020.

Commissioner of Police Hilroy Brandy congratulated the Acting Inspectors and encouraged them to keep up the hard work.

"I want to take this opportunity to say congratulations to both of you for going the next step of being an Inspector. You have now become a Gazetted Officer...on behalf of the High Command, I want to commend you for your great work. A lot of people don't realise that a lot of our success comes from leadership, because you go out with your staff and you lead from in front and not from behind," said Commissioner Brandy.

Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP), Andre Mitchell also extended his congratulations and wished the Officers well in discharging their duties.

ACP Adolph Adams implored the Officers to not rest on their laurels in their new position, but to maintain their hard work on the ground.

"I think the promotion is timely...I think that we have captured two persons who are putting out some real good work and I would want to feel that now that they are in the Gazetted Officer core that we will be seeing the same results from them. Even at the Commissioner's level, during the pandemic, the Commissioner was on the ground and if the Commissioner could go on the ground and go in the nook and the cranny and the trenches, I think all of us should be willing and able to follow the lead," added ACP Adams.

Force Personnel Officer, Clifford Govia, also registered his sentiments with the newly promoted Acting Inspectors and left them with a word of scripture.

"I was reading Job this morning and I will end there. It speaks about 'I will die with my integrity' in Job 27:5 and I hope that that is your marching order...we are looking for you to lead us into a new era. Once again I want to express my gratitude to you for your service and for the contribution you have made and will make to the enhancement of our organization and our society in general," he said.



Photo - His Excellency Sam Condor

Police Present As Visitors To Electoral Office Increase After 'Bell Rings'



By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 22nd May 2020)- This week, police have been monitoring the lines outside the Electoral Office on Central Street in Basseterre as the number of visitors has increased on the heels of the announcement of the 2020 General Elections, slated for Friday 5th June following the nomination of candidates on Wednesday 27th May.

This media house -which is in close proximity to that building- has observed that compared to the past one to two weeks amidst the novel coronavirus, Tuesday 19th May kick started a growth of visitors to that office now under watch by police officers.

Upon a visit to the area that day, two police officers were seen as visitors lined up, following the social distancing rules while on Thursday 21st May, three were seen.

Following the official campaign launch of Team Unity on the night of Tuesday 19th May, lines outside the Electoral Office continued to see many visitors to that office building the next day with some supporters and campaign workers seen in political party shirts in the area.

Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris, in an address to the nation on Monday 18th May 'rung the bell' in signaling the date for the upcoming election now that the five-year cycle of his administration has ended.

"Yes, a safer and brighter future is possible with Team Unity, and with your mandate we will deliver on this commitment for a stronger and safer future. For that reason, I have asked the Governor General for an election to be called. Election is important and it will bring certainty to our Federation, it will enhance confidence in our Country and, in my view, preserve our democracy."

He added: "His Excellency has advised me that today, Monday, 18th May, 2020, he will appoint Returning Officers in all eleven (11) constituencies in the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis pursuant to the National Assembly Elections Act."

Dr. Harris went on to say: "His Excellency has further advised that Writs of Election will be issued for the Election of Members to serve in the National Assembly. The date for Nomination of Candidates will be Wednesday, 27th May 2020, and those of you who are registered will vote for the candidate of your

choice on Election Day, which is Friday, 5th June 2020."

Meanwhile, Leader of the opposition St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and former Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas, in a response to the election announcement that day commented "Fellow citizens and residents, comrades and friends, the St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party is very excited that Timothy Harris has finally announced the date for the next general election..."

He said the Party is prepared.

"It is enthusiastic and it is fully mobilized to contest the election with the bounds of the rule of law and in a manner that is free, fair and free from fear to all participating parties, and so I take this opportunity to assure you the NextGenSKN St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party – the machinery-is organized; it is well-oiled and it is running on all cylinders."

According to Dr. Douglas: "Unlike the outgoing regime, our Party is ready and anxious to face the people of St.Kitts and Nevis. We are confident; confident that our citizens and residents have had an opportunity to compare and contrast and have determined that over the last five years our country has bene moving in the wrong direction under a despotic, nepotistic, incompetent and uncaring government.

"The time has come for the people of St.Kitts and Nevis to exercise the power of their franchise and elect the leadership they deserve with joyful expectation for a brighter future for us all."

Photo: A glimpse of the visitors outside the Electoral Office on Central Street in Basseterre being monitored by police officers (Spokesman Snap)

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Chesley Hamilton

Hamilton to PM Harris: You are wrong, Call back parliament, lift the State of Emergency, set the ground rules for free and fair elections

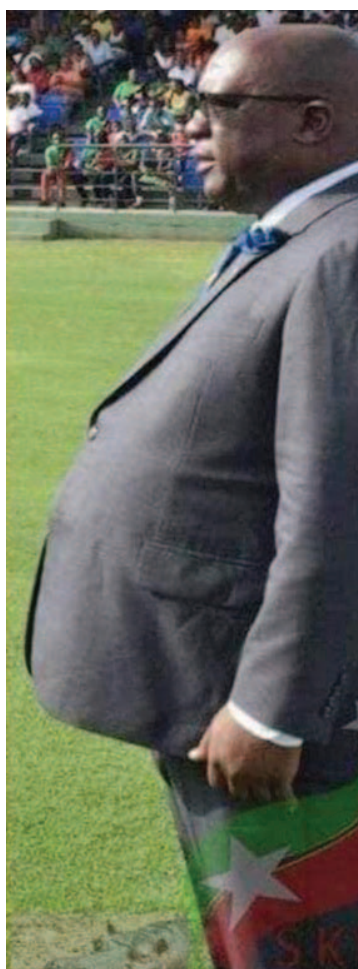
Basseterre, St Kitts, May 20, 2020 - Former chairman of the co-governing Peoples Action Movement (PAM), Chesley Hamilton, has called on St. Kitts and Nevis Prime Minister Dr. the Hon. Timothy Harris to return to parliament and suspend the State of Emergency to allow the opposition parties to have the same level playing field that the governing parties enjoy during the present election campaign.

"I am calling on civil society. I am calling on people within the Unity Government, I am calling on Lindsay Grant, I am calling on Shawn Richards, who demonstrated for electoral reform, so that we can have free and fair elections," said Hamilton, a prominent defense attorney in St. Kitts and Nevis and the region.

He said the State of Emergency during an election period is not only draconian, but also removes the fundamental rights of the people.

"We are not in a race to the bottom. We are about protecting our democracy and all of these actions must be reasonably justifiable enough in a free and democratic society, not where you can have an election and the opposition cannot even assemble and cannot even express themselves and even by expressing myself here, somebody feels that I am saying something that is prejudicial to public order, public safety or public morality, I can be arrested under a state of emergency because these rights are suspended. And therefore to have an election that is supposed to be free and fair, a contest of ideas and ideology and expression, when these rules and regulations are in place under a State of Emergency, a State of Emergency for all its intents and purpose, we have past the worst.

And if we have past the worst, I am calling on all people with good conscience to ask the Government to go back into Parliament, remove the State of Emergency so that we can have an election which is free and fair, and free from fear, so that we can choose our parliamentarians and by extension choose the executive to



Dr the Hon Timothy Harris

take us into the next five years."

Hamilton reiterated that the State of Emergency suspends the fundamental and constitutional rights in Chapter 2 of the St. Christopher and Nevis Constitution.

"In Chapter 2 of the Constitution is the right to associate and the right to assemble and the right to freedom of expression and the right to personal liberty, a protection from arbitrary search and seizure and freedom of movement. All of these are in Chapter 2 of the Constitution and all of these are suspended in the State of Emergency. You do not have those rights. Those rights are suspended. Where do you want to have an election where the executive is in charge and they can move. They are the legal authorised authority during a State of Emergency. And when they have those rights and no one else, your freedom of movement is curtailed and no other individual while the executive is in charge of the army, in charge of the police, they can give the necessary directions as they see fit."

Hamilton said the suspension of the rights of a people during an election is "wrong, is wrong" and told listeners that he has spoken out because "my conscience is my guide."

"My conscience cannot allow me to have an education, as some say a learning on these

Authorities Reject Supervisor Recommendations; Bailey says he's Embarrassed at the Lack of Confidence Shown in him

Basseterre, St. Kitts, May 18, 2020 - It appears as if the authorities in the Timothy Harris-led Team Unity Government have manipulated the selection of individuals identified to perform the important role of Returning Officers and or Presiding Officers for the June 5 2020 General Elections.

In a message over the weekend informing persons that they were not accepted to perform the roles, Supervisor of Elections Elvin Bailey said he is embarrassed their names were not accepted.

He had earlier indicated that their names were submitted as recommendation of fit and proper persons and willing to serve, "but there was a glitch."

"I'm awaiting a final decision as alternate persons are being put forward. Whatever the outcome, I will communicate asap. No delay this time. Meanwhile, please note my appreciation to you, all of you, for your response to the call for national service," said Bailey, who once the replacements were made known to him, wrote to them.

"I prayed for a sugar coated way to break this to you all, but there is none. I must tell all of you that none of you (except Nevis) were accepted



Supervisor of Elections, Mr. Elvin Bailey

as officers. A brand new set were," Mr. Bailey said in a Whatsapp message.

"I must thank you however for offering to work with me, and to apologise for the embarrassment of the rejection. I too am embarrassed at the lack of confidence shown in me and my judgment. I will do the election and I will do my best and then consider my options," said Bailey, who added: "I will not disband the group yet and hope we can meet one more time over drinks."

kind of matters and not share them with the population because silence sometimes might not give consent, but silence condones. If there is a silent majority, allowing these abuses, I, Chesley Hamilton am willing to be a majority of one.

"This is wrong, wrong, wrong. Wrong in your sight of God. This is wrong in the sight of man and women and it is wrong in the sight of God as well. Wrong must be called out. Timothy Harris has said 'if I perish, let me perish. The truth must be told. I am speaking truth to power. You are wrong, go back to Parliament, call back Parliament and do the right thing and lift the State of Emergency, set the ground rules under COVID-19 in terms of what you can do to conduct an election that is free and fair and free from fear, and to be reasonably justifiable in a democratic society which we are and hold ourselves out to be."

Hamilton called on the St. Kitts and Nevis Chamber of Industry and Commerce, the St. Kitts and Nevis Bar Association, The St. Kitts Christian Council, the St. Kitts Evangelical Association, the Nevis Christian Council and the Nevis Evangelical Association to break their silence.

There are no one in hospital, recovering or in isolation or in quarantine under COVID-19.

St. Kitts and Nevis is under a six month State of Emergency. The National Assembly has been dissolved. Nomination Day is May 27 and Election Day is June 5.



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Taiwan President Tsai Calls For Stability In China Relations

By Johnson Lai, AP



Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-wen, center, as she walked ahead of Vice-President Lai Ching-te, left, en route the inauguration ceremony in Taipei on Wednesday 20 May 2020. Photo credit: Taiwan Presidential Office (via AP).

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-wen called for stability in relations with China in her inaugural address Wednesday, but said she would not accept Beijing's political terms that would "downgrade Taiwan and undermine the cross-strait status quo."

Re-elected by a landslide late last year, Tsai said relations with Beijing had reached a "historical turning point" and that "peace, parity, democracy, and dialogue" should form the basis for contacts between the sides as a means to prevent intensifying antagonisms and differences.

Tsai said Taiwan would also work to increase its participation in international society, even as Beijing seeks to shut it out and poach allies away from the self-governing island democracy it claims as its own territory.

"We will not accept the Beijing authorities' use of 'one country, two systems' to downgrade Taiwan and undermine the cross-strait status quo," Tsai told an audience at the baroque Taipei Guest House in the center of the capital.

Tsai represents the ruling Democratic Progressive Party which advocates Taiwan's formal independence, something Beijing says it will use force to prevent.

Her election to a second, four-year term came after the repression of pro-democracy protests in the nearby Chinese semi-autonomous region of Hong Kong solidified public opinion in Taiwan against moves toward accepting rule by Beijing.

The sides split amid civil war in 1949 and Beijing has cut off ties with Tsai's government over her refusal to accept its demand that she recognize the island as a part of China to be unified with eventually under the "one country, two systems" policy enacted in Hong Kong.

Beijing's diplomats have prevented Taiwan from joining international gatherings such as the World Health Organization and reduced its number of diplomatic allies to a handful, while its military has boosted patrols and exercises aimed at intimidating the island's population.

In her speech, Tsai emphasized the need to boost national security, including against non-traditional threats such as cyber and "cognitive" warfare, defined partly by the use of disinformation on social media.

Tsai, 63, is a former law professor and unique in being the only modern woman leader in Asia to rise to the top without being part of a political dynasty.

Attending Wednesday's speech were diplomats from Taiwan's remaining 15 formal diplomatic allies and representatives of The US and other major nations that maintain strong but informal ties with Taiwan. The US is the island's main source of military support against China's military threats and a key advocate for

its participation in international gatherings.

Prior to her address, congratulatory remarks from US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo were read out praising Tsai's "courage and vision in leading Taiwan's vibrant democracy is an inspiration to the region and the world."

"The United States has long considered Taiwan a force for good in the world and a reliable partner," Pompeo said in the statement. "We have a shared vision for the region - one that includes rule of law, transparency, prosperity, and security for all."

The US support comes amid rising frictions between Washington and Beijing over trade, technology and allegations of Beijing's mishandling of the coronavirus pandemic that began last year.

At the same time, Washington has increased military sales to the island of 23.6 million and Congress has passed legislation promoting closer political and economic ties.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Zhao Lijian said Beijing expressed its "strong indignation and condemnation," over Pompeo's remarks, adding that The US must "stop official exchanges with Taiwan or improving real relations with Taiwan."

"China will take necessary measures against the above-mentioned wrong actions of the US side, and the resulting consequences shall be borne by the US side," Zhao said.

Despite Beijing's attempts to isolate Taiwan diplomatically, and vastly reduce the number of Chinese tourists visiting the island, Tsai has overseen steady growth in Taiwan's high-tech economy, and enacted social reforms, including making the island the only democracy in Asia to recognize same-sex marriage.

Reforms, including reductions in civil service pensions, had sparked a backlash, and Tsai had appeared vulnerable to a challenge from the pro-China Nationalist Party candidate. However, her support for the pro-democracy movement in Hong Kong in the face of an often-violent police response helped lift her poll figures.

Many see China's autocratic Communist Party as eroding Hong Kong's civil liberties, and Taiwanese voters have strongly rejected any moves toward political accommodation with Beijing.

Poll results released by the US-based Pew Research Center last week found that 66% of island residents view themselves as Taiwanese, 28% as both Taiwanese and Chinese, and 4% as just Chinese. The telephone poll of 1,562 people, conducted last fall, has a margin of error of 3.2 percentage points.

Among respondents under 30, fully 83% said they don't consider themselves Chinese.

Another 2.3% of Taiwan's people are members of indigenous groups who are not ethnically Chinese.

A former Japanese colony, Taiwan was handed to China in 1945, but split again from the mainland when Mao Zedong's Communists swept to power on the mainland in 1949. The rival Nationalists, led by Chiang Kai-shek, fled to Taiwan, 160 kilometers (100 miles) across the Taiwan Strait from China's east coast.

REGIONAL NEWS

Service Industry Officials Advised to Adopt Strategies of "Caring" Amidst Fallouts from the COVID-19 Pandemic

OECS Media Release

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

— Work to establish a new OECS Services Regime comes at a time of uncertainty across the region, given the ongoing public health and economic responses to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

As Senior Services Officials prepare to convene the 2nd

Technical Working Group Meeting, priority will be given to advancing Article 26 of the Revised Treaty of Basseterre in order to establish a Harmonisation Agenda for Trade in Services for the Fiscal Year 2020/2021.

In recognition of the impact of the pandemic on all facets of policy-making, OECS Senior Services Trade Officials attending the 1st Meeting of the Technical Working Group were advised to shape their Harmonisation agenda for Trade in Services on strategies that foster a spirit of "Caring for the Caribbean."

Guest Speaker Dr. Wendy C Grenade, Senior Lecturer at the University of the West Indies Cave Hill Campus, encouraged Senior Officials to use decision-making approaches that respond to their own 'philosophical understanding of what is the Caribbean and why it must be cared for'. According to Dr Grenade, such an approach responds to a collective responsibility to guard and protect the well-

being of the most vulnerable in the OECS and the wider CARICOM region.

Reflecting on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the OECS Services Regime, Senior Officials considered a number of issues including:

Integrating Health and Economic Security into the Services Harmonisation Agenda; Mainstreaming Ecological and Environmental Sustainability Development;

Establishing Sector Standards for Continuous Professional Development (CDP) and exploring new frontiers of knowledge;

Integrating Strategic Trade Diplomacy into operations of Overseas Missions to pursue strategic alliances and purposive

issue-based coalition-building with bi-lateral and multilateral partners.

At the conclusion of the Technical Working Group Meeting, Senior Services Trade Officials agreed that the priority areas of focus for the next fiscal year will consider the opportunities for transformation and use of technology to improve intra-OECS trade in Business Services and harnessing the engagement of OECS Youth to contribute to the value-added possibilities for trade in Business Services.

The 1st Technical Working Group Meeting took place via video conference and was chaired by Mrs Delores Francis of the OECS Commission.

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Research Finds Pandemic Likely To Cause Long-Term Health Problems

By Michael Greenwood, Yale School of Public Health



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The coronavirus pandemic's life-altering effects are likely to result in lasting physical and mental health consequences for many people - particularly those from vulnerable populations - a new study led by the Yale School of Public Health finds.

Assistant Professor Sarah Lowe and colleagues studied low-income women from New Orleans who were surveyed the year prior to, and at intervals after Hurricane Katrina struck in 2005. The women reported a range of traumatic experiences during Katrina, many of which are similar to those now occurring during the pandemic, including bereavement, lack of access to medical care and scarcity of medications.

The research showed that at one, four and 12 years after the hurricane, the exposures most strongly associated with post-traumatic stress, psychological distress, general health and physical health symptoms were those most common to the current pandemic. The pandemic continues to cause widespread death and sick-ness, as well as job loss and severe economic hardship for many.

"This pandemic is likely to have profound short- and long-term consequences for physical and mental health," said Lowe. "These impacts are likely to be even larger than what we have seen in previous disasters like Hurricane Katrina, given the distinctive qualities of the pandemic as a disaster."

The study did not include other exposures that are taking place during the pandemic, such as financial losses and unemployment, which are also likely to have additional and significant impacts on public health.

The study is published in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

The study results suggest that, in addition to promoting actions to reduce COVID-19 transmission and addressing longstanding health disparities contributing to COVID-19 morbidity and mortality, public health measures should also prevent and mitigate exposures that will have indirect effects on mental and physical health. This includes preventing lapses in medical care and medication access.

Additionally, another key exposure in the study was fear for one's own safety and the safety of others. As such, public health messaging should provide tips for managing anxiety and fear, in addition to promoting efforts to increase safety from COVID-19 transmission. Supplemental health services should be provided to those who are bereaved or are experiencing clinically significant fear and anxiety related the pandemic, Lowe said.

Although a large body of previous research has shown that greater exposure during a disaster is associated with adverse mental and physical health outcomes, most studies have relied on

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Long-Term Data Show Hurricanes Are Getting Stronger



A hurricane as seen from space. Illustration credit:
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In almost every region of the world where hurricanes form, their maximum sustained winds are getting stronger. That is according to a new study by scientists at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Center for Environmental Information and The University of Wisconsin-Madison Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies, who analyzed nearly 40 years of hurricane satellite imagery.

A warming planet may be fueling the increase.

"Through modeling and our

counts of different disaster-related exposures rather than separately examining specific trauma and stressors upon which policymakers and practitioners can intervene, Lowe said. Moreover, few studies have adjusted for preexisting health conditions or socioeconomic vulnerabilities.

"This study represents a step toward disentangling the health consequences of disasters, while also recognizing more longstanding factors that contribute to health disparities," she said.

Explore further: UN Chief Warns Psychological Suffering From Virus Is Growing

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has shown other changes in hurricane behavior over the decades, such as where they travel and how fast they move. In 2014 he identified poleward migrations of hurricanes, where tropical cyclones are travelling farther north and south, exposing previously less-affected coastal populations to greater risk.

In 2018 he demonstrated that hurricanes are moving more slowly across land due to changes in Earth's climate. This has resulted in greater flood risks as storms hover over cities and other areas, often for extended periods of time.

"Our results show that these storms have become stronger on global and regional levels, which is consistent with expectations of how hurricanes respond to a warming world," says Kossin. "It's a good step forward and increases our confidence that global warming has made hurricanes stronger, but our results don't tell us precisely how much of the trends are caused by human activities and how much may be just natural variability."

This work was supported by NOAA Oceanic and Atmospheric Research Climate Program Office.

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Residents Continue To Condemn PM Harris Over Double Standards And Flagrant Abuse Of Power

Basseterre, St. Kitts, May 20, 2020 - Kittitians and Nevisians continue to express outrage at the use of the curfews and the state of emergency by the Prime Minister Dr. the Hon Timothy Harris to suppress the opposition St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) election campaign.

Prominent local businessman, A U Browne noted that the campaign launch at the St. Kitts Marriott Resort on Tuesday night was the third campaign event by Team Unity since announcing the date for elections in St. Kitts and Nevis.

Browne noted that the coalition partner in the government, the Concerned Citizens Movement (CCM) in Nevis held its outdoor campaign launch in Nevis on Sunday night, attended by supporters.

"On Monday the PAM candidate for #1 Ian Patches Liburd supported by Timothy Harris held a meeting with about 50 supporters in Newtown (see photo). These are acts of flagrant abuses of power," said Browne, who noted: "due to the politically motivated State Of Emergency regulations of no public gatherings, the opposition must host all virtual events. Under said regulations churches cannot congregate, no dine-in at restaurants, no parties, or beach picnics can be held, funerals are restricted to 10 family members and no night life, as everyone else must observe curfew from 8pm."

"Timothy Harris and Team Unity government are proving the law don't apply to them. Their behaviour signals the establishment of a dictatorship in St. Kitts and Nevis. They force all of us to follow their law, but they disregard it. If they are willing to use the State of Emergency to suppress movement of citizens of St. Kitts and Nevis, don't you expect they will not try to rig the elections?," said Browne.

He further pointed out that Dr. Harris' own polls indicated the people's disapproval of him in particular and the Team Unity Government in general.

"He is afraid of the inevitable, that he will be a one term prime minister and is doing all in his power to suppress and frustrate the opposition. But it will not work. Voters will reject dictatorship in St. Kitts and Nevis. The people will overwhelmingly get rid of this vindictive government, comprised of greedy, vindictive, corrupt, nepotistic, lawless men. St. Kitts and Nevis will be better under a Labour Party Administration," said Browne in a FaceBook posting.

Responding to the atrocities, Shez Dore-Tyson expressed the view that "we are crying wolf with this state of emergency."

"We are pretending and trying to justify keeping people locked down for no reason except for political mileage. I hope when wolf comes we are ready for it," said Dore-Tyson.

She said that the daily briefings by NEOC "are part of the political ploy by the Timothy Harris Unity Government (THUG).

"I can't understand how people believe the lies. Just like how they close down Basseterre High School on a lie, just so they have done again under the disguise of COVID-19. If no new cases have been reported and everybody have recovered, remove the state of emergency. Let our children return to school. Let people go to worship on weekends. Reopen the country. Stop the deception of

using COVID19 for political mileage. Stop calling wolf because it just might come when we least expect!" said Dore-Tyson.

James Richards called for the need to "stop their wickedness." "No reason for state of emergency at all. Kittitians and Nevisians need to open their eyes and ears. Don't allow their rights to be taken away. Get up and stand up for your rights please my people," said Richards.

Thelma Richards expressed this view: "Well, if it wasn't clear that (the) State of Emergency and all the restrictions that came with it were politically rooted, maybe now we claiming victory over COVID-19, yet we still under lockdown its clearer. The things sensible folks try justify for politics."

Gealta Langley: "My People are you not fed-up with the double standards: One set of Rules for the Law Makers & their Supporters and another set of Rules for Non Supporters? Meanwhile, the Police seem Powerless.....and appear to be turning a blind eye to the rampant violation of the said laws.

I say to you my people, 'God doesn't like UGLY. ' The rampant abuse of power and state assets by an oppressive and a dictatorship government must and will come to an end. May God be with us, the Time to make that Change is Near. Vote for Liberty and Democracy! Vote for a Change from this abusive and depressive government."

Hazel Jeffers noted that the "world is watching how they make laws and break laws," and expressed the view that "Unity Campaign lock down Labour curfew, can't stop the comrades on polling day."

"My former student is burying her dad only a limited number of persons can attend. Ignore the noise they say , big gathering for political launches, not for church. Private Day cares can't open for business, so many are going out of business. Persons laid off, no stimulus package yet, but a big show. Some locked in, others out. The playing field not level. We can do as we like, but not for as long as we like. The silent ones are watching, the deaf listening."

Nevisian and retired police officer Ivor Henry, views the blatant violations and actions of prime minister Harris as "a provocation" and had a message for Commissioner of Police, Mr. Hilroy Brandy.

"Mr. Commissioner of police, you have unlawfully arrested persons for having one foot outside their yard. This sardine can image cannot be right if you are taking your assigned job seriously."



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having made sworn deposition that policy number 54595 and 55359 on the life of Brenda Huggins been lost, and having made application to the directors to grant a special policy, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the special policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 22/5/2020

By Order,

Cedric Jeffers
General Manager



Photo provided shows Minister of Infrastructure, Hon Ian Patches Liburd speaking Monday night at a meeting at which Dr Harris attended and persons were not masked

Medical Team Still Watchful Although COVID-19 Patients Recover

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 22nd May 2020)- Although all fifteen patients in St.Kitts-Nevis who tested positive for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) have fully recovered , health officials are focusing on exercising the necessary precautions since the threat of infection remains regarding a second wave that could be started by incoming travellers.

“The COVID-19 pandemic is not over; it actually just got started. The science and the evidence tell us that the pandemic will be with us for as long as 12, 18 months and even beyond so we are not out of the woods as yet so that’s why we still have to maintain our physical and social distancing measures,” stated Chief Medical Officer Dr. Hazel Laws at the National Emergency Operations Center (NEOC) COVID-19 Daily Briefing special edition held on Monday 18th May 2020.

According to her, incoming travellers can signal start of a second wave infection and so the health team will have to contain such when it begins.

That day, however, the status of full recovery of the individual who had tested positive was announced.

“We all know that we had 15 cases but it is with pleasure this afternoon that I inform you that all 15 cases have recovered,” shared the CMO.

Relative to St.Kitts Nevis, a total of 391 persons have been sampled and tested for the novel coronavirus with 376 of these returned negative and 15 positive results while 815 persons have been released from quarantine.

Average duration of diagnosis to recovery stands at approximately thirty (30) days.

As of Thursday 21st May, there were four persons quarantined at a government facility and zero persons quarantined at home.

Statistics on a global scale provide by the World Health Organization at the time recorded 4,864,881 confirmed positive results with 321,818 deaths.



Photo: Chief Medical Officer Dr. Hazel Laws

SKNLP Deputy Political Leader calls for overseas election observers



Basseterre, St Kitts, May 20, 2020 - With growing signs that the June 5, 2020 General Election would not be contested on an even playing field, the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party said outgoing Prime Minister Dr. the Hon. Timothy Harris is “hell-bent on securing a victory by whatever means necessary.”

SKNLP Deputy Political Leader, Hon. Marcella Liburd has called for the presence of election observers to ensure that the process is free and fair and free from fear.

She pointed out that the election will be held under unprecedented circumstances of a State of Emergency which grants to the police and security forces broad powers of discretion in relation to arrest and detention.

The St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party has been calling for some time for all political parties to come together through its representative on the Electoral Commission to agree on a plan for the conduct of the polling process in a way that meets the imperatives of the COVID-19 conditions but protects the voting rights of all citizens to participate.

“To date, our recommendations, like so many others before, have been ignored,” said Liburd, who is seeking a third consecutive five-year term in the National Assembly.

“I am therefore calling on civil society to come together and to consider the possibility of organizing a Domestic Citizen Observer Group that can apply for accreditation over the next few days to monitor the election process. This is a practice that has been allowed elsewhere and it is something that we should consider in the event that the Dr. Harris tries to use the cover of the COVID-19 pandemic as an excuse not to have an international observer mission mounted here,” said Liburd, who pointed to the failure of the outgoing administration to resolve the unequal boundaries after five years.

Liburd also pointed to the torching of two of the SKNLP constituency offices in Old Road and West Basseterre, the vandalizing of the Constituency Office in East Basseterre on three occasions, the destruction of campaign billboards in three constituencies and the attempt by Supervisor of Election Elvin Bailey to leave with a ballot box in his car during the Nevis bi-election without representatives of political parties.

“The outgoing regime, and Harris in particular, is desperate for a victory and they are panicking. Desperate people do desperate things. We all must remain vigilant and keep putting pressure on Harris and the Attorney General and hold them to account over the coming days,” said Liburd.

Photo - Hon Marcella Liburd

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Concerns expressed over PM Harris' sister as High Court Registrar if opposition has to get to a judge

Basseterre, St Kitts, May 21, 2020 - A bulletin board notice on state-owned ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation (ZBC - ZIZ Radio & TV) on Monday morning has raised the concerns of conflict of interest in the Office of the Prime Minister and the Registry of the High Court by several residents in light of the present general elections campaign.

The individuals have expressed concern of the access of the St Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) to the St Kitts High Court if it becomes necessary, as the High Court Registrar, Mrs Janine Harris-Lake, is the sister of the Prime Minister, Dr the Hon Timothy Harris and in light of recent statements of her behavior in a court matter which involved Minister of Tourism, Hon Lindsay Grant and Youth Ambassador His Excellency Jonel Powell.

"Persons with queries who wish to communicate with the Court must do so by email addressed to the Registrar of the High Court. In St Kitts the email address is registryskn@gov.kn," the announcement read.

However, there is concern that if lawyers acting on behalf of the leadership or a candidate of the St Kitts-Nevis Labour Party have to access a judge of the High Court, they could face challenges as have happened in the past.

Resident High Court Judge, His Lordship Mr Justice Eddy Ventose in a recent ruling highlighted several abuses of the court process by Harris-Lake in the Tanzania Tanzil v Lindsay Grant et al matter.

Powell and Grant are partners in the law firm of Grant and Powell.

In his 31-page ruling, Justice Ventose noted that in the Tanzil-Grant-Powell case, an ex parte application was filed by lawyers for Tanzil at 12:10 p.m. on January 23, 2018 and that in an affidavit in support of the application to set aside the default judgment, Powell and Grant on that same date "through an agent," learnt that an application for default judgment was filed by Tanzil.

"It is very unlikely that from 12:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. when the court office closes, the ex-parte application would have been placed on the court file in this matter. It seems more likely than not, that someone in the court office informed the defendants *(Grant and Powell) of the Claimant's *(Tanzil's) ex parte application. If this is correct, it raises serious questions concerning the confidentiality of court documents and processes," Justice Ventose wrote.

Perusing the ex-parte application for the default judgment, Justice Ventose, a former Professor of Law at the University of the West Indies, also noted that it should have been immediately placed before the High Court Judge or Master for determination and the only the High Court Judge or Master had jurisdiction to order that the Claimant (Tanzil) give notice to the Defendants (Grant and Powell).

"Given the nature of the application notice to the Defendants would serve no purpose," said Justice Ventose, who pointed out that in the ruling that "only a High Court Judge or Master may exercise any powers of the court."

He also observed that the "court office may not, under any circumstances, exercise any power, albeit only a procedural one, of the High Court Judge or Master," adding: "It is not correct for anyone in the court office to inform Defendants of the Claimant's ex-parte application for default judgment."

Justice Ventose stressed that "public confidence in the administration of justice in St Christopher and Nevis will be seriously and perhaps irreparably eroded if the public perceives that the



Photo shows Registrar of the High Court, Mrs Janine Harris-Lake (right) introduces Resident High Court Judge His Lordship Mr Justice Trevor Ward, QC (center) to her brother, Prime Minister Dr the Hon Timothy Harris (left)

court office "pick sides in disputes coming before the court particularly where that dispute involves public figures, politicians or government officials."

He said "systems must immediately be put in place to ensure that this never happens again."

"It goes without saying that the court office in carrying out its essential functions must always remain neutral between opposing parties in disputes coming before the court in St Christopher and Nevis. If this persists or become an entrenched part of the culture of the court office, the court will not hesitate to use its powers under its inherent jurisdiction to preserve its processes from any actual or attempt to misuse or abuse," said Justice Ventose.

He continued: "It could not have been correct for the Registrar of the High Court to direct Counsel *(for Tanzil) to come and explain the ex-parte application to her because the ex-parte application was simply not one over which she had no jurisdiction. The court is of the opinion that it could see no good reason why this ex-parte application was not immediately listed for hearing before a High Court Judge or Master. Moreover, if there were any serious issue with such an application, (or any other), it should have been brought immediately to the attention of a High Court Judge or Master."

Justice Ventose said it "is completely unacceptable that an application that was filed on January 23, 2018 was listed by the court office to be heard by a Master approximately nine (9) months later on October 9, 2018."

"The administration of

justice will effectively be compromised if this were to become common practice," he said.

Justice Ventose also noted that the concerns of Counsel for the Claimant in his letter to the Registrar of the High Court, Mrs Janine Harris-Lake, dated May 23, 2018 "appear to the court to be entirely justified."

Justice Ventose pointed to a note dated February 16, 2018 with the initials of Registrar Janine Harris-Lake stating: "Counsel to come and explain this application to me as I am confused."

On May 23, 2018, the Claimant wrote to the Registrar indicating why after 4 months the Claimant's ex parte application for default was returned to them with no date set for hearing by High Court Judge or Master.

On July 18, 2018, Counsel for Claimant again wrote to the Registrar noting that this letter was a final pre-action letter before filing an application for leave to apply for judicial review seeking to elicit appropriate actions and or responses from the Registrar in her capacity as Registrar of the High Court.

On July 25, 2018 - The Registrar replied noting that she took serious issue with the contents and tone of the May 23, 2018 letter which she states is a "patent attempt to malign (her)self, (her) brother *(Prime Minister Dr Timothy Harris)* and the Government of this Federation."

The Registrar of the High Court continued that Counsel's "accusations are baseless and appear to be politically motivated and far exceed the ambit of reasonable representation" of the Claimant.

Janine Harris-Lake further wrote that she found Counsel's letter to be "very insolent and disrespectful and in demanding me to act; you have overstepped your bounds. I take instructions from the Chief Justice, the Judge, Master and Chief Registrar and no one else."

On October 9, 2018 - The High Court entered Judgment in Default with terms to be determined. The Court recognised that the application to set aside default judgment was premature and dismissed it because judgment had not been entered at the time of filing of the application to set aside the default judgment.

The Court also dismissed the application to strike out the claim form and statement of case because the request for judgment in default was first in time and had not been determined in accordance with CPR 2000.

The judgment notes that the Application for Extension of Time was filed (two years and one month - 25 months) after the deadline to file a defense was passed and that the Registrar perfected the October 9, 2018 default judgment (16 months after the court entered the judgment in default).

In his judgment, Justice Ventose found Grant and Powell liable for breach of trust, breach of fiduciary duty and failure to account or misappropriation of US\$460,000 (EC\$1.2 million) belonging to a client, Tanzania Tobing Tanzil.

He also ordered Grant and Powell appear before a Disciplinary Tribunal of two Judges of the High Court to consider whether they should be suspended from practicing for a specified period of time or be struck off from the Court Roll.

ADDING. SUBTRACTING AND FAMALAAYYY!!!

By: FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

I am happy that Sam Condor is back with the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party. I was very angry with him when he left and I vowed never to speak to him again. But politics is about addition. Not subtraction. So I have welcomed him back.

Timothy, without Sam, would never have been a force. Terry Adams says it all the time and he is right. Sam is a force to be reckoned with and, almost single-handedly, was the difference between Team Unity being an idea and Team Unity forming the government.

The concept of a Team Unity engendered so much hope and “feel good” good feeling that even a ne’er do well like Patches won his seat.

And this is something that I will never understand about Team Unity. These people pitching and promoting the idea and ideal of togetherness. But anytime that one of their very own dared to have a difference of opinion with one of the Team Unity ministers, mudder wuk wid wud.

I have never seen a party so eager to hang their dirty drawers in public. And all that abuse was intended to embarrass the “offender” back in line.

Team Unity hierarchy created and hid behind some fake profiles and the revelations that were made on Facebook and all the other social media could make any episode of SCANDAL look like child’s play.

I am still trying to wonder why anyone would think that attacking their very own supporters like this would make them stay with Team Unity.

And so Sam has resigned as ambassador and is supporting Geoffrey Hanley of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party. By doing so, Sam has joined the list of Team Unity inner circle members who have abandoned Timothy Harris and are openly campaigning against him and Team Unity.

But they had been warned by a member of Timothy’s very own family that he was ten times worse than Dr Douglas. It’s more like one hundred times worse. Maybe even more.

Dr. Douglas too had warned them about Timothy. But they ignored all his warnings and had to see it for themselves and in short order, some in less than ONE year, left Timothy Harris and Team Unity.

I am glad that Sam is back. To hear him say that he was simply replaced as PLP deputy shows the level of disrespect Timothy Harris has for the person who made him prime minister and people in general.

And God don’t like ugly. And ingratitude is worse than witchcraft. And God don’t sleep.

But the work is not finished. We still have to cross the finish line FIRST.

It is good for Labour when people, who didn’t vote for us in 2015, are voting for us in 2020. When we add all those persons to those who never left and to all those newly registered, Labour’s victory is certain.

By the way, anything free, including money, tek two.



By Vigilante

- Is all kinda people Humpty Dumpty send go beg Uncle to stay wid him. Dey say dat Humpty Dumpty ain’t want Uncle talk bout de missing money tarl. Dey say dat is three injection he had was to get to drop sleep de night before Uncle big speech.

- Even de cricketer other half he had writing all kinda ting pon de Facebook to try to get Uncle frighten and don’t go mek no big speech. Because dey say is \$8000.00 she does get pay a month to buse people.

- Dey say dat Humpty Dumpty tell de MOP dat he don’t understand what he paying him \$15,000.00 a month time for and Uncle still reach to have press conference and talking bout misappropriated campaign money.

- When de fallen angel tell Humpty Dumpty all dat Uncle say bout him, he send call Mable one time. He say it not going so. He tell Mable to set to work. Let Uncle see how barley grow.

- De fallen angel tell Humpty Dumpty dat he gon have to bring back Mable again when de licey fella done wid him. He tell Humpty Dumpty dat he must try tell people dat he ain’t tief no campaign money and hide it in St. Martin. Because is dat and more gon come out before election done.

- De fallen angel ask Humpty Dumpty if he must call in he priest because is hand somebody put on him. And he tell Humpty Dumpty dat if he don’t beg Uncle and Auntie pardon after all dey done do for him, not even de pope gon able to help him.

- People in de know say dat Humpty Dumpty hold on to de people dem money again so dey couldna get dey parafanalias for when de bell ring. Dey say he do it til everyone a dem sign dat he is still de leader and das what mek when de bell ring, dey ain’t had nutten to put on de lamppost dem.

- Dey say dat de ambassador in de closet say he not tekking it so. So he mommy give him some money to do he own ting because Humpty Dumpty mek sure dat dey do he one dem first.

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