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In Our Federation*

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Editorial

LABOUR IS STRONGER THAN EVER

This year's Labour Day Weekend was something of an unusual one. Because of COVID-19, it was not possible to stage the traditional events in the customary manner. However, there were a number of improvised events which served to mark the occasion, to honour workers and our fallen heroes, to display our togetherness as the nation's Labour Movement, and to send a strong clear message to those in government that they have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. Big time!

Comrades, supporters and friends of Labour responded in very positive ways to our appeal for using the Internet, radio and telephones to show our solidarity as a movement, and our determination to send the incumbents packing, whenever the general elections are held.

We thank those in authority for granting leave for our party and trade union officials to venture forth on Monday, Labour Day, during the hours that the curfew was in effect. Our leaders and other officials were thus able to visit the gravesites of our fallen comrades, much as we do each year, and pay tribute to their memories, the services which they rendered, and the sacrifices which they made, all in furtherance of our individual betterment and the overall development of our country.

This year there was that marked difference. Over the internet and the radio, a number of persons were able to bring messages commemorating the contributions of those who have gone to their rest.

As the curfew was in force a large number of persons contributed to the day's events from their homes, some via Facebook and kindred media, and others over the radio.

Their zeal and enthusiasm were remarkable. Undoubtedly it also sent a clear and very powerful message to the regime: "You made a terrible mistake messing with Labour. We have had our fill of you. It is time to leave. Please go away."

One aspect of the new format, which was truly significant, was the internationalisation of the event. Our people living overseas have all been speaking, in glowing terms, of how meaningful and encouraging it was for them to be able to participate and contribute to the Labour weekend proceedings, especially the events of Labour Day.

Many had been unable to participate in the Labour Weekend and Labour Day celebrations for a very long time. As they explained, their active involvement, albeit via the various media, made them feel as if they were back home, and just how good it was to connect with their relatives, comrades and friends, especially during this time of the coronavirus pandemic.

The level of enthusiasm displayed at home and abroad was, and will continue to be, a source of inspiration to our people, who are now all fired-up and ready to do their civic duties in removing

Robbery Victim Who Cried For Help Online Hit By Intruder

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020) - A woman believed to be in her 60s who asked- via a social media post- that someone call the police in the aftermath of a robbery was allegedly hit by one of the three intruders during the incident.

Police are investigating this home invasion matter in which Sue Woodard of Half Moon Bay was robbed and physically assaulted on Saturday 2nd May 2020, less than an hour after the partial curfew took effect at 7:01 PM.

Credible information received indicates that she was left with a swollen black eye.

Reportedly, Woodard was in her home when three masked men entered and demanded money.

According to police, she resisted and was assaulted by one of them men. The assailants took a small sum of money, as well as a number of personal items and fled the scene.

This media house understands that at 7:48 PM on the night in question, Woodard placed the following message: "Help! I've just been robbed. They took my phone. Please call the police for me."

Persons with information about this incident are asked to contact the Criminal Investigation Department at the Basseterre Police Station by dialing 465-2241, the nearest police station or the crime hotline at 707.

Investigations into the matter are ongoing.

the imposters now in government, while simultaneously returning Labour and The NRP to office, thereby restoring to the people the truly loving, caring, responsible, efficient and effective government which they crave, and to which they have always preferred to entrust their affairs, their future and that of the nation's younger generations.

For an absolute certainty the incumbent regime were 'knocked back on their heels', figuratively speaking. They thought that the emergency and the curfew would have worked to their advantage. Clearly they did not.

They clearly felt that approving the visits to the gravesides would have painted them in a good light, showing them to be fair and reasonable. But, after five long years of enduring their evil, the vast majority of our people now know them for just who and what they really are, and that is why their trickery backfired, as indeed it has in numerous other instances.

It is the reason why the Sunday morning broadcast turned out to have been such a dud, and a most grievous insult to the nation and our people's intelligence. It left us all asking questions, such as: "What was that?"; "Who does he think he can fool with that?"; "Does he think that we are stupid?"; "Why did he waste my time this good Sunday morning, when I could have been meditating and worshipping God?"; and "What planet does he live on?"

The attempt to appear statesmanlike had to have failed, as indeed it did, and most dismally. Claims to have been born in Labour, and to a belief in, and adherence to, the political philosophies of such Labour giants as Bradshaw, Southwell and France, have long since been exposed as the most grievous misrepresentations that they always were.

But it also served to remind our people about the true nature of the naked emperor, a creature steeped in evil, and filled with hatred of our people and all those who refuse to aid and abet him, his family and relatives, with their innumerable acts of corruption, victimisation, and 'state capture', to use a South African term.

By his own doing, he reminded our people of his hypocritical nature. Many reflected on the fact that he who is always so quick to accuse others of being ungrateful, is himself the very epitome of ingratitude, a creature of darkness intent on destroying our beloved Comrade Leader, who quite literally almost worked himself to death over many years, just so that he, the completely selfish, self-serving and power-hungry naked emperor, could achieve a personal goal that was to have 'set him up for life'.

Those behaviours are deeply troubling, but, as a God-fearing people, we can rest assured that God does not like ugly, and also that He neither sleeps nor slumbers.

Labour Weekend and, in particular Labour Day 2020, were truly unique experiences. The staging of our shows and other events telephonically and over the Internet proved to have been far more successful than was initially anticipated.

The exercise showed just how inventive and innovative we are, as a people and as a movement. It was truly heartwarming to all viewers and listeners, and everyone was greatly encouraged. Many have been speaking of always remembering this year's events, and we are confident that their enthusiasm will remain at high levels for a long time to come.

We thank our beloved Comrade Leader, Dr. The Honourable Denzil Llewellyn Douglas, our Party Organiser, and our other party and Trade Union leaders and officials for their truly outstanding contributions to Labour Weekend and Labour Day 2020. We very heartily thank all of our people, both here at home and abroad, for their exemplary participation and contributions to what are some of the most significant events on the annual calendar of our Labour Movement.

To our leaders and officials we of this newspaper say "Keep on keeping on! We stand four-square with you, and are fully prepared for the looming fight for our democracy and the future of our nation."

Labour is stronger than ever!

Countdown To General Election Date Is On?

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020) –The outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has collided with the constitutionally due general elections five-year cycle in St.Kitts-Nevis, and to this end as many citizens and residents await to hear the decision regarding expected the 14th May 2020 timeline for parliament to dissolve.

Attorney General Vincent Byron Jr. while addressing the subject matter during the question and answer segment of the National

Emergency Operations Center (NEOC) COVID-19 Daily Briefing held on Thursday 30th April 2020 said an election is expected this year but pointed to a court handling should there be reason to extend or to delay or to postpone such.

“We are aware that the Constitution requires that five years after parliament or the sitting of parliament after an election parliament dissolves so that after the first hearing would have been in May 14th 2015 and on May 14th 2020, the parliament automatically dissolves unless His Excellency the Governor General is asked by the honourable

Prime Minister to do so. The Prime Minister has the authority under the Constitution to request Parliament to be dissolved.”

He continued: “When parliament is prorogued by the Constitution, there are ninety (90) days by which a general election should be held so that if parliament was to be dissolved automatically no later than May 14th in 2020; 90 days from then may well be something like the 11th of August of this year when there must be a general election under the Constitution.”

Touching on an instance for otherwise, he expressed: “I would not want to get into legal discussion but there may well be common law principles that may be involved or used before a court if there is a need or the necessity to extend or to delay or to postpone an election.”

“At this point in time that is not envisaged and we would hope that we will be able to conduct a general election with the constitutionally mandated frame, and so it is not contemplated that elections should extend beyond the 14th of August this year,” he emphasized.

According to the Attorney General: “Questions of common law, questions of necessity and so forth do not pertain as we are not in that situation at this point in time and we depend on our medical professionals to guide and advise us as to how we will be able to.”

Front Page Photo: Attorney General Vincent Byron Jr.

Normal- Like Guidelines In New Two-Week Curfew Schedule

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020)-Limited beach access, a different nightly curfew as well as an extra day of limited operations along with an added hour have been included in a fresh two-week schedule for the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, slated Saturday 9th May to Saturday 23rd May 2020, surrounding new restrictions for measures in place for the fight against the coronavirus.

Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris gave details in an address to the nation on Thursday 7th May in a follow-up to the current guidelines that expires on Saturday 9th May 9th at 5:59am.

He said “these regulations will continue the process of gradually opening our Federation to more economic and social activity” whilst noting “We must do so cautiously and carefully. Danger still lurks and the war against this global pandemic is far from over or won.”

As explained, on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May, there will be a 24-hour (total lockdown) curfew as done during recent weekends for this two-week period.

There will be five days of limited business operations this time around which now sees an extra day included.

“From Monday 11th May and every day next week to Friday 15th May, businesses will enjoy an additional day of limited operations as long as they practice social distancing and physical distancing protocols,” Dr. Harris said.

According to him: “They must also provide for a sanitized environment and insist that their staff and customers wear face masks, as we turn to a semblance of near normalcy. No one, I repeat, no one should be out in public without wearing a mask or an article covering his or her nose and mouth.”

Dr. Harris further stated that regulations will also provide for a similar pattern to be followed during the week beginning Monday, 18th May to Friday 22nd May. That is, there will be five days of limited business operations from Monday to Friday.

“Some restrictions under these regulations will be relaxed. We will, for example, extend the day of limited operations to 8:00pm instead of 7:00pm to allow businesses to have an additional hour in the evening. Where businesses would have closed at 5:00pm to allow customers and staff to conform to the 7:00pm start of the nightly curfew, they can now close to the public at 6:00pm. Businesses will not only have a five-day work week to operate but an additional hour as well on each day of limited business operations.”

Concerning the nightly curfew, Dr. Harris noted that such will continue and that it must be adhered to. Nightly curfew will now

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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. NEVHCV2013/0145

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

FREDERICK JONES

-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 28 day of May 2020 at 2-30 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 Lot No. 104A on the Ramsbury Housing Development Plan situate in the Parish of St. Paul in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by an Access Road 67.65 feet, On the South by Lot No. 103 of Ramsbury Housing Development 68.20 feet, On the East partly by Lot No. 108 and partly by Lot No. 109 – 135.65 feet and On the West by Lot No. 101A 135.25 feet and containing by admeasurement 9,200.0 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 24th day of September, 1983 and registered in Book 21 Folio 90 of the Register of Titles of the Nevis Circuit in favour of FREDERICK N. JONES of Camps Road, in the Island of Nevis as registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$850,000.00**

Dated the 18th day of March 2020

[Signature]
Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court



Douglas: Opposition Has After COVID-19 Plans

By: Spokesman Newsroom



BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020) - "I give you the assurance that our Party has the plans and ideas that will put our people back to work as swiftly as possible. It is for this very reason that we have established an Economic Recovery Advisory Council that will guide our country back to global competitiveness in the shortest time possible."

So said the Leader of the opposition St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and former Prime Minister

Dr. Denzil Douglas in his Monday 4th May 2020 message on the occasion of International Workers' Day - also known as Labour Day and May Day - amidst the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

"Our Party in government will also ensure that our workers are compensated for the risks that they have taken during this crisis and for the inordinate burden that they are bearing," he also remarked.

Dr. Douglas said the SKNLP will introduce new

policies and measures that will prepare for a better post-COVID future.

Firstly, the environment for our workers is FLEXIBLE enough for workers to thrive, as businesses and industries are disrupted. To this end, we shall introduce flexi-hours for civil servants, provide financial assistance through a form of Unemployment Insurance provided by a revamped Severance Fund, provide loans and grants to small businesses to preserve employment and help them stay afloat and provide temporary payroll and other forms of support to allow small businesses to recover and assist large companies experiencing economic difficulties to fully re-engage workers who have been laid off or who have had their hours shortened," he explained.

Dr. Douglas continued: "Secondly, the environment must be FAIR enough through a phased increase in the Minimum Wage taking into consideration the interests of both workers and employers. We shall also increase salaries and wages for our Public Servants in anticipation of the boom in productivity as our people return to

work with fresh energy and enhanced credentials. Thirdly, the environment must be FUTURE-READY enough by providing support to entrepreneurs who create jobs while investing in our people and local companies and small businesses through training and incentives that will boost their confidence to seize opportunities, take risks and innovate.

According to him, "Our NextGen SKN Labour Party will ensure that the 2020 Global Health

Crisis marks a positive turning point in the progress towards shaping a better normal for our workers. Today, our Party stands in solidarity and cooperation with our workers. Together we will build a future of work that tackles the injustices that this pandemic has highlighted and that will respond to the challenges of climate, digital and demographic changes."

The former finance minister made the observations concerning the pandemic saying: "Today is a Labour Day like no other. The onset of the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic has changed so much about life as we know it here in St. Kitts and Nevis. Along with the public health crisis it has engendered, this pandemic has also brought with it a forced economic recession that may be the worst our nation has ever experienced since its Independence in 1983."

He went on to say that in just four short months this pandemic has dramatically changed the way we live and work in our society from quarantines to 24-hour lockdowns, to home-based work, to remote learning, to physical distancing; and to cancelled entertainment and sporting events.

"Of all these effects, the worst has been the very serious impact and the toll that this crisis has taken on our nation's workers," he noted.

Photo: Leader of the opposition St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and former Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas

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- Applicant

and

DELORES MARTIN

- Respondent

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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

[Signature]
Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court





2020 INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY (LABOUR DAY) SPEECH CDE. SYDNEY BRIDGEWATER

BY PRESIDENT OF THE ST.KITTS-NEVIS TRADES AND LABOUR UNION-

Greetings everyone,

First off, let me pay tribute to late president Joseph O'Flaherty Jr. who passed away one year ago on this occasion. We deeply appreciate his contributions over the years.

We also continue to keep our immediate past General Secretary Batumba Tak, in our thoughts and prayers, for good health and strength each day as he goes about a new lifestyle as a wheelchair user, following a medical procedure in 2019. His contributions, we also grateful for.

In the context of the 2020 International Labour Day - also commonly known as 'Workers' Day', it goes without saying that I am addressing you during a very challenging period amidst the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

On Tuesday, 28th April 2020, at the occasion of World Day for Safety and Health at Work, the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Decent Work Team and Office for the Caribbean, hosted a virtual roundtable on Safety and Health at Work in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, using hash tag 'Resilient With Decent Work' as the theme.

The event-held via zoom technology- formed part of a series to discuss the socio-economic impact of the pandemic and how it affects the world of work, and also to explore solutions.

Panelist Ariel Pino, an ILO Specialist, Social Protection and Occupational Safety and Health, listed four (4) areas of impact on the world of work concerning COVID-19:

- (1) Increased unemployment and underemployment
- (2) Reduced access to social protection
- (3) Particularly negative effects on specific groups more vulnerable to adverse labour market outcomes
- (4) Worsened working conditions and Occupational Safety and Health

Having sat in a recent meeting with the competent authority, the St.Kitts- Nevis Trades & Labour was painted a picture of

what our reality, including information shared about the expected high number of workers (especially in the tourism sector) whose lives are and would be negatively impacted through the loss of jobs, stemming from the closure of businesses.

For our organization, we view this reality from an angle whereby our hearts go out to each and every individual - including workers who are part of the Union membership - whose livelihood is now disrupted whether through job cuts or reduced income.

It is important to note information coming from the Department of Labour, that workers are being asked to use their annual paid holidays on the days when the Federation is on 24 hours lockdown, which goes against the guidelines of Holidays With Pay Act.

To this matter we say, Employees must not be disadvantaged at any time, and for this to be happening during

this period, it is most concerning and we ask all workplaces guilty of such, to desist while we call on the Labour Department to be ready to handle such grievances.

Moving on: At this present time, our Union is dealing with an industrial matter that is under the purview of the competent authorities due to a changed up scenario caused by the pandemic but not in the general sense of what is happening now. To this particular situation, I hereby encourage management to look closely at how the workers are now the top subject of keeping the machinery of operation running at this turn of events.

The Union remains vigilant and committed to provide assistance in representing the interest of the workers as we stand firm in the principles embedded in the historical pedigree of our foundation.

To our healthcare workers-including nurses, doctors, emergency technicians etc., we salute you. Indeed, you are amazing and we owe you a debt of gratitude. We are quite aware of the tremendous sacrifice that you make on a daily basis.

At this time, your dedication, skills as well as your 'above and beyond' efforts truly take the spotlight as you shine as real life superheroes.

A special note of praise is also extended to the group of other essential workers such as security officers, cleaners, grocery stores employees, delivery men and women, utility maintenance crews who help to keep us going at this time.

There are some of you who are financially poised to stay afloat, while others of you do not have the luxury to tap into 'a rainy day account' when the fact is this situation has created a downpour of uncertainty and further financial obstacles for you.

The saga of COVID-19 is stressful for many of us as social distancing has changed the way we do business and mingle. I know many of you miss having light moments with friends and co-workers after work, especially on the weekends.

In conclusion, as we gradually transition in the atmosphere of the new normal on a global scale, let us focus on how resilient of a people we are. We have to challenge ourselves to look towards the future; mentally prepare yourself to set goals. The world has slowed down but our spirit of hope and optimism must keep going or begin to take off.

Being resilient requires us to spring back after a period of difficulty and regardless of the pace we take, may our attitude cushion our future steps in moving forward, and with God in our vessel, we shall smile at the storm.

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Douglas Says PM Harris Squandering Opportunity To Hold General Elections Under COVID-19 Regulations

Basseterre, St Kitts, May 6, 2020 - With the five-year life of the St. Kitts and Nevis National Assembly automatically ends on May 14th, former prime minister the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas says the Timothy Harris-led Team Unity administration has squandered an opportunity to deal with the constituency boundaries issue and make adequate arrangements for the holding of general elections which must be held by mid-August using COVID-19 regulations and is seeking to hold on to office.

"The government is aware for over two months now that COVID-19 was going to create an environment that was going to be different. The constitutional mandates with regard to the life of the parliament are very clear and only if over the next few days a country attacks us and there are hostilities that would have ensued only then we would have a situation of war and thus the parliament could be recalled beyond the 14th of May. The government had enough time to prepare our people and prepare the environment for the necessary changes that would be expected as a result of adhering to the global and international directives and dictates with regard to the management of COVID-19," said Dr. Douglas.

He told listeners to his weekly radio programme "Ask the Leader," on Tuesday in response to a question, that the government should have already begun to survey polling stations buildings, physical facilities as to where polling stations would be identified and to allow the six-feet distance that is being expected as voters wait in line. "Maybe it does not have to be instituted under the regulations of the National Assembly Elections Act, but it has to be made sure that these are identified and the government has had enough time to do those things."

Dr. Douglas said that there are reports that nationals who are presently overseas and who return to St. Kitts and Nevis from places regarded as hotspots, they would have to be quarantined.

"Is the Attorney General (Hon Vincent Byron, Jr.) thinking of these things? Being quarantined does not take away the constitutional right to vote, especially if one is registered to vote. There is no law that says if one has hypertension or diabetes or some contagious disease or a flu, that he cannot vote. Don't you think that the AG and others should be putting in place the environment or infrastructure and create the necessary environment that if persons are going to come home to participate in an election and they are quarantined and there are regulations that can say that a polling station must be where they are quarantined? Why are these preparations not being made? What can be done by May 14th?" he asked.

"What needs to be done is to ensure that the elections are held

under proper conditions that will not allow peoples constitutional right to be abridged," said Dr Douglas.

The former prime minister also expressed concern that the recent imposition of a state of emergency which have restricted residents to their homes, has prevented the holding of claim and objection hearings as mandated by law.

"Hundreds of names have been removed illegally by the Supervisor of Elections. No letters of notice have been sent to them. Even if there is no response, no hearing has been held and a decision taken to remove someone, the law of natural justice as explained in the regulations insist that these people must be informed and must have the right to challenge in a court of law," he said, pointing out that the government has no interest in calling the elections as they must according to the constitution.

On the issue of the boundaries to be used in the upcoming elections for the 11 seats in the lawmaking body, Dr Douglas expressed the view that the 2015 boundaries should be used.

"Why should we in 2020 be using the 1989 boundaries when the entire country has changed demographically? Why should we be saddled by the 1989 boundaries," said Dr Douglas, who pointed out that the Team Unity governing coalition (in opposition) leading up to the 2015 general election had challenged the 2015 boundaries.

"The Team Unity coalition now in government, were the same body that instituted the challenge and now form the government, has lost the appetite to complete the court matter that they brought to the court. With this kind of apparent smartness, they sit down for four years and nine months, and at the last moment Attorney General (Byron) submits an affidavit in the court asking the former Attorney General (Jason Hamilton) to sign documents as if he is the current attorney general, when he (Byron) is the attorney general. That is the kind of madness that is going on in this government," he said.

"The 2015 boundaries have not been successfully challenged in the court and should be the boundaries used," said Dr Douglas, who further disclosed that a new

COVID-19 SKN: 3 Patients Recovering, Over 50 Overseas Students Under Quarantine

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020) – Three individuals tested positive for the novel coronavirus are left covering from the illness as a total of 12 out of 15 have beaten the illness to date.

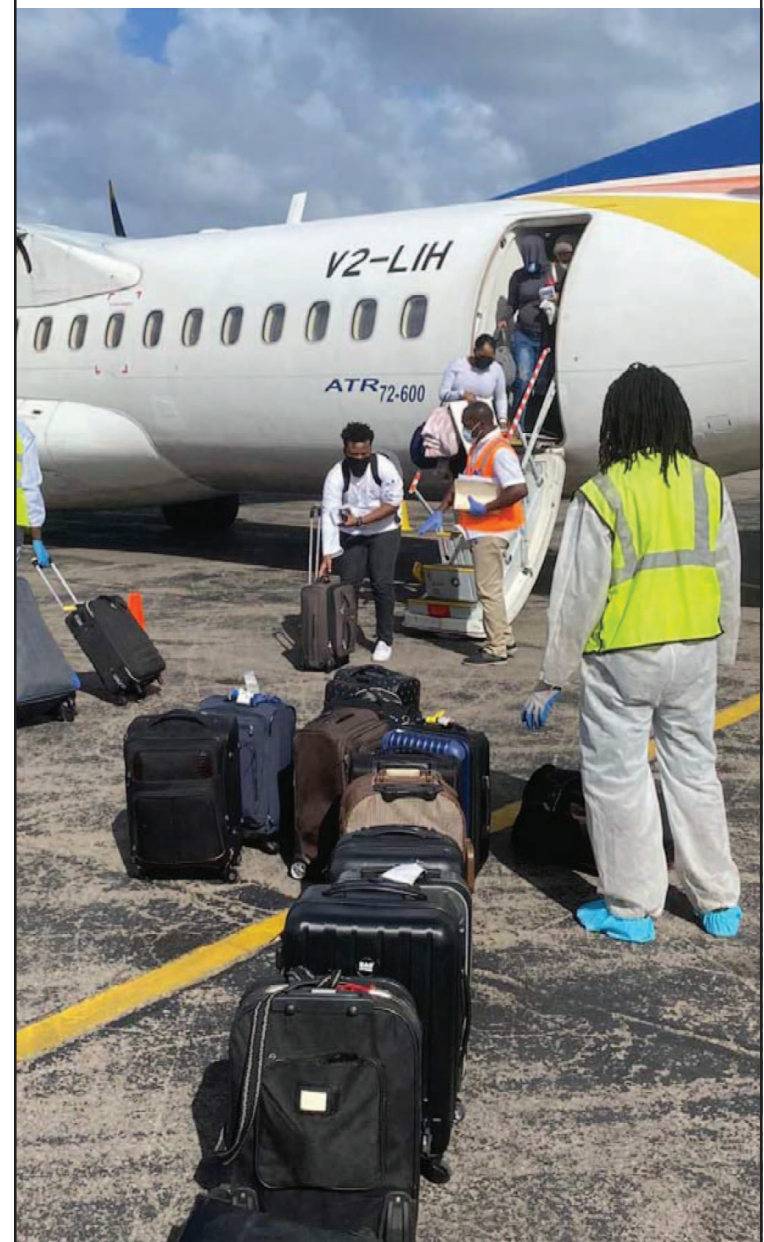
Furthermore to date, 52 St.Kitts-Nevis nationals who arrived the Federation from Jamaica as returning students amidst the pandemic on Thursday 30th April 2020 are among those under quarantine at a government facility

Public Relations Officer of the Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC) Dr. Marissa Carty in a Thursday 7th May 2020 situation report at the National Emergency Operations Center (NEOC) COVID-19 Daily Briefing on Thursday 7th May 2020 informed about the three patients who remain in isolation.

Other current details given at that time include the following: 327 individuals sampled and tested, 7 results pending, 56 persons quarantined in a government facility, 4 quarantined at home and 751 persons released from quarantine.

Information about the students has been publicised by Chairman of the COVID-19 National Task Force Abdias Samuel.

Photo: Arrival of students at airport



National Intervention Team Well-Received In Hispanic Communities

Basseterre, St. Kitts, May 06, 2020 (RSCNPF): The Head of the National Intervention Team, Inspector Rosemary Isles-Joseph, disclosed that the group has been well-received in the Hispanic communities visited so far.

The Team has been visiting Spanish-speaking communities in St. Kitts to educate them on the seriousness of COVID-19 and to sensitise the residents about the safety protocols that have been established. Inspector Isles-Joseph explained that the group, which is comprised of Police Officers, would visit areas with a large number of Hispanic residents, such as McKnight and Newtown, and go to individual homes to speak with the occupants. They would also share information by using a loud hailer (megaphone) while walking through the area.

“We are letting them know the seriousness of the disease, what they should do in terms of washing their hands, that they should maintain their six feet distances and also



to make sure that they follow the law – no partying. And once the curfew hours are on, they should not be out on the streets,” said the Inspector.

She was pleased to note a member of her team, Officer Laddima McSheene, was trilingual. With his help, the information given by the other Officers was translated so that persons who did not speak much English could understand. Additionally, informational leaflets from the National Emergency Operating Centre (NEOC) were also distributed.

Inspector Isles-Joseph said that most persons were appreciative of the information and were complying with the regulations that are in place.

“Those in McKnight, they were cooperative. They were wearing masks and they were saying that they have nowhere to go in terms of being out in the street, but then those from Newtown, they were more difficult because when we reached Newtown, they were congregating in large crowds... some of them understand what is going on and they really understand the seriousness of the virus so hopefully going forward, as we continue this, we will reach a more wider part of the population in terms of the Spanish-speakers.”

Officer McSheene expressed how happy he was to be a part of the initiative and to be able to use his skills to communicate such important information to others.

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District “A”
To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Charlene Wilson now residing in Conaree in the village of Conaree do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 01st day of July, 2020 to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Conaree Village in St. Kitts.

Dated this
01st day of May, 2020.

Signed: C. Wilson

“The Hispanic community was amazed that there was an Officer that could communicate with them and educate them about the coronavirus in their native tongue. So the response was better than I expected, not only in these communities, but the citizens of St. Kitts, they were also amazed that the Police Force now has somebody who can relate to the Spanish persons that live here so it was a very good experience and it is something that we definitely would want to do again.”

The initiative is expected to be an ongoing one throughout the time of the State of Emergency and the team is has plans to extend the exercise to include all communities.

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- Applicant

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- Respondent

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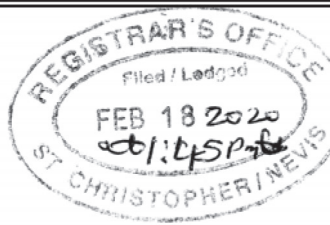
ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon situate at Malone Avenue, Irish Town in the Town of Basseterre aforesaid containing by admeasurement 1,978 square feet and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by lands of Simeon Herbert, 41.10 feet; On the East of Malone Avenue, 46.45 feet; On the South by lands of E. Dore, 42.55 feet; and On the West by lands of Frank Bodkin and Simeon Herbert; 27.00 feet and 20.74 feet respectively, totaling 47.74 feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 16th day of February, 1994 and registered in Book T2 Folio 89 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of JEFFERSON LEWIS formerly of Shadwell Housing Site, Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$17,802.00**

Dated the 26 day of Feb 2020

[Signature]
Registrar of the Supreme Court





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SKNLP Observes International Workers Day Through Virtual Real-Time

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 8th May 2020)-The Opposition St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) opted

for virtual reality for the 2020 observance of Labour day, commonly known as International Workers Day on Monday 4th May in light of curfew measures for COVID-19.

Traditionally, large crowd have gathered in down town Basseterre over the year with a workers day march and rally

along with other festivities.

However, this time around, the action was held online as many individuals logged on via their electronical devices for the 'March Whey You Be!' event.

Full details to be provided in next week's publication.

Normal- Like Guidelines... Schedule

start at 8:00pm and end an hour earlier at 5:00am the following day.

On the topic of limited access to beaches, he told that

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the Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Hazel Laws recommended that beaches can be re-opened for swimming and exercising only between the hours of 5:30am

and 9:00am.

"A physical distance of at least six feet must be maintained between individuals unless they are members of the same household. But there should be absolutely no beach

parties nor picnics allowed. Let me repeat, there should be absolutely no beach parties nor

picnics allowed. These activities increase the risk of transmission of the virus, which we are working so very hard to contain."

Front Page - Photo: A police officer supervises a line of shoppers outside RAMS supermarket along the Bay Road in Basseterre in April 2020 (Spokesman Snap)

COVID-19 SAFETY AND HEALTH



International
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SYMPTOMS

- The most common symptoms are fever, tiredness, and dry cough.
- Others are aches and pains, nasal congestion, runny nose, sore throat and/or diarrhea.
- Symptoms are usually mild and begin gradually.
- It can take up to 14 days for symptoms to appear.

TRANSMISSION

- Droplets from nose or mouth when infected people cough and exhale.
- Standing within one meter of an infected person.
- Touching contaminated surfaces or objects and then touching eyes, nose or mouth.
- Ageing and underlying diseases (e.g. diabetes, heart disease) increase risk.

WORKPLACE PREVENTION MEASURES

- Undertake risk assessments and implement controls.
- Explore alternative work methods.
- Share information and establish communication plans.
- Wash hands frequently and adopt good hygiene practices.
- Avoid sharing objects that could transmit the virus.
- Use personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Beware of wide-spreading droplets (breath in and cough out).
- Keep workplaces and objects clean and disinfected.
- Protect clients and end users.
- Workers should stay at home if sick.
- Seek advice from the Department of Labour and health authorities.

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Geoffrey Hanley



AP Associated Press - International News
- Taiwan - Wednesday 6 May 2020

Taiwan Makes New Push For Inclusion In World Health Assembly

- By Johnson Lai



Taiwan's Health Minister Chen Shih-chung as he spoke at a press conference in Taipei, Taiwan on Wednesday 6 May 2020. Photo credit: Johnson Lai (AP).

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - Taiwan's exclusion from the upcoming World Health Assembly would harm the global response to the coronavirus pandemic and cannot be excused by mere rules of procedure, the island's health minister said Wednesday.

Chen Shih-chung told international media at a news conference that global health officials "have not been honest and failed in their responsibilities," in an apparent reference to The UN World Health Organization that oversees the assembly.

"As I said since the beginning of the epidemic, no one is able to accurately predict how the situation will be," Chen said. "So the most important thing in the world pandemic is transparency. Each one has to share what they know about it."

Beijing claims Taiwan as part of its territory and has excluded it from the United Nations and its subsidiary organizations. China's growing influence in The UN has made officials wary of crossing it, even while The US has withdrawn from or suspended funding for some of its organizations, including WHO, which it accuses of mishandling the coronavirus outbreak and displaying a pro-China bias.

Chen said he acknowledged that UN member states would have to approve Taiwan taking part at the World Health Assembly, to be held in Geneva beginning on 17 May.

However, he said there were questions as to whether WHO's "procedural justice was manipulated."

Chen Xu, China's ambassador to UN institutions in Geneva, said Wednesday that Taiwan had torpedoed its hopes of attending the health assembly, saying the "current local authority sticks to the secessionist policy" and has abandoned the one-China policy.

"They themselves closed the door," Chen told reporters in Geneva. "They destroyed a political basis for the involvement in WHO's activities."

Beijing's Communist leadership has increasingly shut Taiwan out of gatherings such as the World Health Assembly as part of a diplomatic and military drive to force Taiwan's independence-leaning President Tsai

Ing-wen to recognize the self-governing island democracy as a part of China.

Beijing has threatened military force to bring Taiwan under its control and has been courting its handful of remaining diplomatic allies to isolate it internationally. That has drawn a strong response from Washington, with whom Taiwan has strong but unofficial ties and which is its main guarantor of security.

At the same time, Taiwan has been praised over its handling of the pandemic, despite being just a short flight from China where the virus was first detected late last year.

As of Wednesday, the island of more than 23 million people had recorded just 438 cases of COVID-19 and six deaths.

In Washington, US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo told reporters that Taiwan should be allowed to take part in the World Health Assembly.

"I want to call upon all nations, including those in Europe, to support Taiwan's participation as an observer at the World Health Assembly and in other relevant United Nations venues. I also call upon WHO Director General Dr Tedros to invite Taiwan to observe this month's WHA as he has the power to do and as his predecessors have done on multiple occasions," he said.

In Beijing, Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying accused Tsai's government of seeking to use the pandemic for political gain.

"We are firmly opposed to this plot of the Taiwan authorities, and we also believe that such attempts will never succeed," Hua said at a daily news conference.

Associated Press writers Jamey Keaten in Geneva and Matthew Lee in Washington, DC contributed to this report.

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Study Finds Heavy Cannabis Use Affects Human Genome

- By University of Canterbury



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Heavy cannabis use has an impact on human DNA but the effect is stronger in people who smoke tobacco as well, according to new University of Canterbury (UC) research.

The study, recently published in Translational Psychiatry, investigates how heavy cannabis use can lead to alterations in "DNA methylation" - chemical changes in the body that influence how our genes work.

UC College of Science lecturer Dr Amy Osborne, lead author of the UC study, in collaboration with colleagues from The University of Otago Christchurch, The University of Otago, and ESR, says there is already strong evidence that chronic, heavy use of cannabis can increase the risk of mental health issues such as depression and schizophrenia. It is also associated with heart disease.

"This study shows how cannabis use is linked to changes in gene pathways that may explain the link between heavy cannabis use and those adverse health outcomes," she says. "However, in terms of the effect on the genome and DNA methylation, cannabis appears to have a distinct and somewhat more subtle effect than tobacco. It's not altering gene pathways to the same extent, but it does affect them in very specific ways."

The 48 subjects in the new research - all heavy cannabis users - were members of the Christchurch Health and Development longitudinal study. Blood samples were taken when they were aged 28 and analysed for DNA methylation differences between cannabis users and non-users.

The biggest changes were in those who smoked tobacco as well as cannabis, but there was also evidence of distinct and specific DNA alterations in those who smoked only cannabis, compared to non-users.

The most affected genes were identified as those involved in brain and heart function.

Dr Osborne, who specialises in genomics, says cannabis use is an important public health issue, particularly in New Zealand where a referendum on whether the sale, use, possession and production of cannabis should be legalised, is due to be held in September 2020.

"We think assessing cannabis's potential effect on

DNA is timely. It's currently the most widely used illicit psychoactive substance in the world, and this could be predicted to increase with decriminalisation or legalisation," she says.

Unusually, the Christchurch Health and Development Study cohort contained cannabis users who had never smoked cigarettes, providing a valuable opportunity to investigate the specific effects of cannabis on DNA methylation in the human genome.

Dr Osborne says the UC study suggests that, while tobacco has a stronger effect on DNA than cannabis, cannabis appears to exert specific effects on genes involved in brain and heart function. More research with a larger sample size is needed.

"Our data are suggestive of a role for DNA methylation in the biological response to cannabis. We also found the effects of cannabis use on our genomes differ from, and are less pronounced than, the effects of tobacco use."

"For this reason, caution should be taken when interpreting similar cannabis exposure studies that do not, or cannot, exclude cigarette smokers."

More information: Amy J Osborne et al. Genome-wide DNA methylation analysis of heavy cannabis exposure in a New Zealand longitudinal cohort, Translational Psychiatry (2020). DOI: 10.1038/s41398-020-0800-3

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VE Day - Victory Celebrations Hid Fear Of An Uncertain Future For Many Britons

By Dr Sean Lang, Anglia Ruskin University



Jubilation in London as Britain rolled out the barrel to celebrate victory in Europe. (Imperial War Museum).

The popular image of VE Day is as familiar to the British people even today as Spitfires over Kent or Winston Churchill glowering into the camera. Huge crowds dancing in the streets, people climbing lamp posts, wading in the fountains in Trafalgar Square and everyone waving flags. There were Union Jacks, Stars and Stripes, even French Tricolours - ribbons in red, white and blue were available off the ration for the occasion, though some spivs made a killing by selling it at vastly inflated prices.

The songs of VE Day are familiar too, if only as period pieces: Knees Up Mother Brown, Bless 'Em All, the Hokey Cokey and Roll Out the Barrel, played on this occasion by a young Humphrey Lyttelton on his trumpet while being pushed along on a handcart.

After six years of having put up with rationing, shortages, blackouts, bombing and the ever-present fear of death - either your own or of someone you loved - suddenly the British people let their hair down in spectacular fashion.

They crowded to Buckingham Palace and demanded to see the king; they cheered Churchill to the skies as he saluted them with his famous V for Victory sign - and they did so secure in the knowledge that, not only had they survived the war, but they had won it and, moreover, they had been right to win it.

Victory in a 'just war'

The weeks leading up to the German surrender in Europe had brought an unexpected shock as allied armies overran Germany's concentration camps. The notorious killing centres of Auschwitz and Majdanek were uncovered by the Russians, but the Americans were horrified by what they found in Dachau and Buchenwald; and the British, who had a film crew and a BBC reporter with them, by the horrific scenes they encountered in Belsen.

The footage from Belsen was shown in cinemas and caused widespread revulsion: some people left in tears and there was anger when some well-meaning cinema managers tried to soften its impact by following it with a Donald Duck cartoon. But this shocking evidence of the true nature of Nazi rule merely served to underline that - in this war at any rate - Britain had undoubtedly been on the right side. It's a message that has been repeated and stressed ever since.

This image of victory in a just war is important because, inevitably, the current pandemic, like every other crisis Britain has gone through since 1945, has been compared to the war. With the queen's channelling of Vera Lynn at the close of her televised address, and Boris Johnson, himself a biographer of Churchill, calling on us all to show the same resolution as the wartime generation, it is inevitable that people still facing a deadly enemy

should seek solace in the heroic memory of VE Day, a simpler time, when our leaders were giants and right and wrong were easy to know.

End of empire

But, of course, it was nothing like so simple. VE Day marked the end, not the summit, of British military power: the patriotic exuberance of the day could not hide the fact that the war had been won by American and Soviet military muscle: even Churchill's day was over - he would be voted out of office only a few weeks later.

The German surrender tried to divide the allies: a partial one to Britain's General Bernard Montgomery followed by a full surrender to his US counterpart Dwight Eisenhower, and only then - with great reluctance - to the Russians. This



General Alfred Jodl, German chief of staff, signing unconditional surrender in Allied HQ in Reims, France on 7 May 1945. (US Library of Congress).

foreshadowed the new global divisions of the cold war, in which Britain would play only a secondary role.

The fighting had carried on right up to the moment of surrender and in some cases even afterwards, so that some people in Britain learned of a loved one's death shortly before VE Day, or even on the day itself. Not surprisingly, they did not feel like celebrating.

Prisoners of war, returning from a captivity which was a lot harsher than the jolly escape films suggest, similarly tended to want to return home quietly rather than dancing in the street. Adjusting to life after years of separation was not easy and the divorce rate soared after the war.

Above all, there were those with good reason to hold back with some distaste, because their war was far from over. The war in Asia was still going on, and as the Japanese were driven back in Burma and across the Pacific, so their resistance toughened and casualties mounted. For those with a father or husband in the far east, VE Day seemed a cruel mockery.

But perhaps most surprising - and most instructive for today - were those who could not bring themselves to celebrate because the war was their life. Young people had known nothing else since childhood; young women had had opportunities to pursue fulfilling and important work beyond anything peacetime could offer. For many people, ending the war meant letting go of a world they knew for a new and very uncertain one. Adversity - and even lockdown - can carry its own unexpected comforts.

About the author: Dr Sean Lang is an historian, playwright, and broadcaster. He graduated from The University of Oxford (BA, History) in 1982, taking the university prize in American History. He also holds the degree of MA (Oxon) in Modern History, and took his PhD (on Maternal Mortality in Nineteenth-Century British India) at Anglia Ruskin University in 2007. Dr Lang is currently Senior Lecturer in History at Anglia Ruskin University, specialising in the history of the British Empire. His experience includes teaching a several institutions, including the Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PDCE) at Exeter University (1984), and lectured in History in the School of Education, also at Exeter (1988-1992). From 1992 to 2001 he was Head of History at Hills Road Sixth Form College in Cambridge. He has served as a consultant to The International Baccalaureate Organisation, and to the Council of Europe in the field of history teaching. He has also served twice as Honorary Secretary of the Historical Association, and headed the Better History Forum, which advised Michael Gove on the history curriculum. As a playwright his award winning productions include 'I'm Backing Britain', and 'The Necessity of Atheism', at Edinburgh Fringe in 2015 and 2016 respectively; and 'Great War'. He is a regular contributor to BBC local radio, providing a weekly history slot on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire, BBC Essex, and Cambridge 105. Dr Lang is a Fellow of The Historical Association. He joined The Conversation on 30 January 2015.

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ECTEL Observes 20 years amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic

As the Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority (ECTEL) marks its twentieth year of existence, it is mindful that this commemoration is being done against the backdrop of the global fallout from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Since the declaration by the World Health Organization (WHO) of the virus outbreak as a public health emergency of international concern, countries have closed their borders and individuals have been mandated to stay at home to contain the spread of the virus.

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) estimates that 1.5 billion children from 188 countries have been affected by country-wide school closures due to the pandemic. This has necessitated a rise in e-learning with teaching being conducted remotely or on digital platforms. Many businesses have also adopted remote working arrangements in order to curb the spread of the virus. With this sudden shift from the classroom and from traditional work arrangements, the need for robust electronic communications networks and services have gained increased prominence.

In the Caribbean, as in the rest of the world, the adoption of e-learning strategies and telecommuting policies in response to the pandemic, has highlighted the crucial need for effective electronic communications networks and services, especially broadband, internet and digital services. Established by Treaty signed on May 4th, 2000 in St. George's, Grenada, ECTEL is mandated to ensure that the people of the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia and St. Vincent and the Grenadines benefit from affordable, modern, efficient, competitive and universal telecommunications services.

Since its establishment twenty years ago, and under the existing Telecommunications Act and accompanying regulations, ECTEL has made notable progress in meeting its mandate by advancing the liberalisation of the sector through the enactment of modern harmonised legislation, the issuance of non-exclusive licences for many telecommunications services, ensuring fair pricing and promoting consumer choice through such initiatives as implementation of the Price Cap Plans, and more recently, the launch of Mobile Number Portability in all the Contracting States.

With the growth in demand and adoption of remote technology such as language apps, video tutoring, video conferencing tools and online learning software due to COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a noteworthy upsurge in demand for access to broadband services, and for electronic devices to facilitate such access. In response to this demand, ECTEL has been working with the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commissions (NTRCs) in utilising the Universal Service Funds to provide subsidized broadband internet access and digital devices to students and other vulnerable members of society. Further, ECTEL will, in the coming weeks, provide assistance to its Contracting States for the purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline staff.

ECTEL recognises that the demand for broadband and digital services will continue to grow. Consequently, issues relating to the reliability of access and technology to function remotely, the quality and pricing of such services will emerge and increase in significance.

ECTEL remains committed to promoting access to quality and affordable electronic communications services in its Contracting States under the existing Telecommunications Act and Regulations. More importantly, ECTEL will endeavour to advance the

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UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$647,340.58**

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promulgation of the newly developed Electronic Communications Bill and its suite of Regulations to address the challenges brought about by new and emerging issues such as COVID-19.

In December 2019, the heads of governments of the Contracting States signed a Protocol to amend the ECTEL Treaty to facilitate the passage into law of the Bill and accompanying Regulations. These new legislative instruments will empower ECTEL to address issues such as licensing, quality of service, consumer protection, net neutrality, spectrum management and the impact of new and emerging technologies such as 5G and Internet of Things (IoT). This will ensure that our citizens receive efficient and modern telecommunications services at an affordable price.

ECTEL expresses our thanks and gratitude to the frontline personnel and reiterates the call by our Member States' governments to follow all safety protocols to contain the spread of COVID-19. Our thoughts and best wishes also extend to all the citizens of our Contracting States during this difficult period.

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If Tax Payers Are Paying, It Is Not Only Wrong Morally And Ethically, It's Illegal And Contrary To Integrity In Public Life Act

Basseterre,
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2020 - With the
w o r l d
celebrating
Press Freedom
Day on Sunday,
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Dwyer Astaphan

Astaphan has expressed concern over the manipulation of the media by St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister, Dr. The Hon. Timothy Harris and that offences under the Integrity in Public Life Act are being committed.

In his weekly program, Astaphan noted that the government-organised town-hall meetings "is more politics than government information being disseminated."

Pointing out that the government has sufficient outlets to disseminate its information via state-owned ZIZ Broadcasting Corporation (ZBC), several websites and private media agencies working for it, it also exercises strong influence over other media houses.

Astaphan singled out prime minister Harris' hogging all the radio stations on Tuesday nights.

"They go not only on ZIZ, they go on Sugar City. They go on Freedom FM. They go on VON Radio. They now go on WINNFM now that I have removed myself to Facebook and that has to cost a hell of a lot of money to be on every radio station virtually in the country for two, three hours," said Astaphan, who helped fashioned the three-party PLP/CCM/PAM coalition government.

"The question is, are these government information dissemination forums or are they public political meetings? It is my conclusion that they are political meetings," said Astaphan, who pointed out that parties in the governing coalition have been hesitant to hold public political meetings in the streets of St. Kitts and in Nevis since taking office in mid February 2015, because "they were not confident they would be able to draw massive crowds."

"If they are political meetings, who is paying for them? If the government is using tax payers' money to pay for these broadcasts, it is not only wrong morally and ethically, it is illegal and contrary to the Integrity in Public Life Act," said Astaphan.

He quoted a clause in Section 27 of the Integrity in Public Life Act, which states that a public official commits an offence of abuse of office if he or she uses public funds or resources for private purposes including party political purposes.

"If members of the ruling party are having political meetings under the facade, under the guise of government town halls and the tax payers are paying for it, that is an offence under Section 27 (1) (b) of the Integrity in Public Life Act," said Astaphan.

He is of the view that the so-called virtual political meetings under the guise of government information will replace the street political meetings during the six-month state of emergency.

"If it turns out to be a town hall election, who will make the separation between what is a so-called government town hall and what is a public meeting," Astaphan asked.

He said pointed out that public officers who use government-owned vehicles, PA systems and other equipment for these political meetings would also be in breach of the act.

THE HOUSE OF THE LORD NEEDS A STIMULUS THE MOST

Hastings R. Daniel

IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

We sound an alarm today in these pages, that the church militant in St. Kitts and Nevis has been hit hard, some might even say the hardest hit by this pandemic. We have it on good record that the country entered into virtual lockdown as early as March 22, 2020. Since then there have been a minimum total of seven (07) Sundays, that no worship service, as we know it, could take place in the Federation's numerous denominations and places of worship. Factor in the various gospel teachings and happenings and ones recognizes even if he plays "blind Bartemeus", that the churches have been very hard hit by the pandemic and its rearguard consequences. May it please all of us if we reiterate and emphasise that the church through the Christian Council and Evangelical Association partnered with government in the fight against this monstrous pandemic.

WE are aware that the government announced a stimulus package towards the end of March, in the sum of some \$120,000,000.00. These initiative shave been splashed across the pages of newspapers with some aplomb. We have perused these stimuli and are yet to find a specific one among the seventeen (17) such that specifically addresses the plight of the church in the Federation. We note that the Chamber of Commerce, like the church, was a partner in the announcement and pronouncement.

The Chamber however has been singled out for economic stimulus. The Church that is empowered and ordered to pray and pulpioneer for our people in these trying critical times is missing in action in this stimulus package. We are not inclined to conclude that this is deliberate. What we suggest may be the problem is that church leaders are afraid and apprehensive to insist that prayers and petitions come at a cost.

The blessings of God may well be free, but the beneficiaries must pay freight, insurance and brokerage. We would have loved to be the proverbial "fly on the wall", when the meeting was held with church officials.

A fortiori, the Hon. Prime minister let on that a delegation of ministers of the gospel volunteered to attend his office, with the Minister of Ecclesiastical Affairs and Cabinet Secretary to pray for them. This is a win-win situation for the government. What in the interest of the gospels propagation may we ask has been to the benefit of the church and its struggles in this pandemic.

Did the church leaders not know that if members do not attend church, there will be literally no financial support for the men of the cloth to be paid for these turbulent months? We are reminded of the dictum that "the pastor preaches for dread, but he also preaches for bread". It should not be argued and nobody needs to be vexed with members who do not find it convenient to send their offerings to their church.

Church is a cash and carry business. Members and followers alike bring their offerings in anticipation of a worship service and the preached word. Churches are like dance halls, however unsavoury the comparison: If there is no band or music playing nobody will pay the doorman. We have not yet reached the plateau where ordinary people pay their tithes and offerings through credit card and wire transfers. The fact is ordinary people have no such privileges. Those who have these plastics are in the King's palaces.

Astaphan noted that a resident can file a complaint in writing to the three-person commission which has the power to investigate.

A person found in breach of the laws faces a fine of EC\$30,000 or three years in

prison.

He noted that the Attorney General Sen. the Hon. Vincent Byron Jr. is yet to issue the relevant order for the public officers covered by the Integrity in Public Life Act to file their annual declarations of their

We are left then with the scenario however embarrassing that church workers, inclusive of pastors, have to be virtually 'scrutning' without avail to get their expenses for the three (3) months from March 2020, paid. Meanwhile everybody expects the church leaders and workers to visit the sick and suffering; console the unemployed and laid-off; pray for and feed the health and essential workers on hungry bellies, with their church and personal mortgagees hanging out to dry. Remember the same members, who have been left unemployed and laid off by this pandemic, can ill afford to meet their obligations to the church. We seem to be engaging in policies that seek to take the shirt off a naked man's back.

How then is the good Lord to look down on our plight as a nation, when his shepherds have been "put out to pasture". In the premises, and we send out a clarion call for the churches in the Federation to benefit from the national largesse.

We believe that churches that have corporate governance can be easily get their retrospective treasurers to submit to Government, through whatever ministry their February salary and basic expense account and that said government through its obligation should seek to provide adequate sustenance to these "men of the cloth", to ensure that they cross the great divide created by this pandemic.

The word is still prominent and appropriate during the Schunamite Woman, dealing with Elisha the prophet during the dark days when the last cruse of oil for her and her son was available. Elisha said that she must fix a cake for the man of God first. When that was done the barrel never ran out. Quick! Quick! St. Kitts and Nevis fix the Lord's Church and the windows of heaven will fall. We are already laid. Better late than never. We should apologise. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! SELAH!

personal net worth.

The chairperson of the commission is former High Court Judge, Ms Pearlletta Lanns. The other members are Mr. Freddie Knight and Ms. Carol Boddie.

Commonwealth Youth Games To Be Rescheduled

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The Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) Executive Board have decided to explore rescheduling options for the 2021 Commonwealth Youth Games.

The seventh Commonwealth Youth Games were scheduled to take place 7 August 2021-from 1 after Trinidad and Tobago was awarded the

competition by the CGF in June last year.

The impact of the pandemic on the global international sporting calendar means that the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics have now rescheduled to the summer of 2021 during the original dates of the Youth Games.

Following positive discussions, the CGF has agreed to consider the

best alternative options and timeframes for staging the event in the future, potentially in 2023.

The CGF has given the Trinidad and Tobago Commonwealth Games Association (TTCGA) consideration as the first option to host.

Honourable Shamfa Cudjoe, Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs in the Government of Trinidad and Tobago has committed to asking the Cabinet to re-examine its position and provide the necessary confirmation regarding the hosting of the Commonwealth Youth Games and the related expenditure.

CGF President Dame Louise Martin said: "The rescheduling of the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics has also changed demands on scheduling and resources for many of our Commonwealth Games Associations (CGAs) and International Federations from 2020 to 2021.

"COVID-19 has had a devastating impact across

the world and everyone's absolute priority is the health and wellbeing of their communities."

"Our decision has been made in the best interests of athletes, fans and citizens that are to benefit from these transformational Games.

"We are committed over the coming months to look at future dates and hosting options, to ensure the right decision is taken for the Commonwealth Youth Games, so that the region can continue to play a leading role as part of the Commonwealth Sports Movement."

About the CGF

The Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) is the organisation that is responsible for the direction and control of the Commonwealth Games, and for delivering on the vision of the Commonwealth Sports Movement: to build peaceful, sustainable and prosperous communities globally by inspiring Commonwealth Athletes to drive the impact and ambition of all Commonwealth Citizens through Sport.

Coronavirus: Germany's Bundesliga to resume behind closed doors on 16 May

From the section European Football



Borussia Dortmund and Bayern Munich players

Champions and league leaders Bayern Munich will be in action on Sunday 17 May

The Bundesliga will resume behind closed doors on 16 May, becoming the first European league to restart following the coronavirus shutdown.

One of the games on the day of relaunch will be the derby between Schalke and Borussia Dortmund.

Champions Bayern Munich, who are four points clear at the top of the table, travel to Union Berlin on Sunday.

Most teams have nine games to play, with the final weekend of the season rescheduled for 27-28 June.

The German Football Association (DFB) said the season would resume under strict health protocols that ban fans from the stadium and require players to have Covid-19 testing.

About 300 people, including players, staff and officials, will be in or around the stadiums during match days.

The league has been suspended since 13 March. Clubs returned to training in mid-April, with players working in groups.

Christian Seifert, chief executive of the German Football League, said "it was crucial to resume play"

despite empty stands and other restrictions.

Other updates include:

* As well as players and coaching staff, referees will also be subject to medical and hygiene regulations.

*-There was no clarification on the issue of matches being available free-to-air in Germany - talks are under way with broadcasters.

* There were 10 positive results from clubs in the top two divisions following the first series of coronavirus tests, and two in the second series.

On Wednesday, German Chancellor Angela Merkel eased some restrictions, allowing shops to reopen after fewer than 7,000 deaths with coronavirus.

Seifert said: "The matches will feel different. After the first matchday, we will all know why we prefer games with fans. But that is the framework we have to operate in and I expect the best possible sport within this framework."

Uefa president Aleksander Ceferin said he is "confident that Germany will provide a shining example" to the world of football on how to return to action.

"This is a huge and positive step to bringing optimism back to people's lives. It is the result of constructive dialogue and careful planning between the football authorities and politicians," he said.

Meanwhile, the executive committee of the World Players Association, which represents 85,000 players and athletes across world sport, will meet next week to discuss medical protocols around the return to sport.

It said in a statement: "All proposals need to be calmly and rigorously assessed by relevant experts with a clear commitment that player health and safety is not negotiable."

'Community aspect' has been lost

Union Berlin face leaders Bayern on the Sunday when the league returns but defender Neven Subotic has been critical of how the situation has been handled by the footballing authorities.

German football will continue despite France's Ligue 1, the Netherlands' Eredivisie and Belgium's Pro League being called off.

Subotic told BBC World Service Sport: "It is a precarious situation for all of us. It is going to be impossible to come out of the league with positive remarks, it is just going to be a lot of risk management and trying to get to a finished season with the fewest casualties.

"We are not going to have games with fans and for me that is what makes it special. Playing football is

fun and is challenging but what makes it exceptional is the community aspect of it.

"That is gone and I don't want to pretend like it is not a huge thing. It is a huge thing and it is what makes it special.

"Therefore what I will definitely enjoy is the first game back with fans inside the stadium. I am looking forward to that and that is my end goal."

Analysis

BBC World Service Sport's John Bennett

It's going to look, sound and feel very different but there is something very exciting about finally having a start date for the resumption of one of the best leagues in world football.

The German Football League (DFL) boss Christian Seifert sounded a note of caution though at his press conference, reinforcing the fact that this is quite a fragile situation, saying "we're playing under probation" and adding that they almost have to prove that their health and safety concepts are working on every single match day.

A local derby between fierce rivals Schalke and Borussia Dortmund is a great way to start on paper but it will also highlight how much fans will be missed at these big games and how disgruntled some of the supporters groups in Germany will be about the Bundesliga being able to continue without them.

The eyes of the Premier League, La Liga and Serie A will be firmly fixed on these early games - because if Germany can make it work, maybe Europe's other major leagues have a stronger chance too.

Fixtures

Saturday 16 May

Augsburg v Wolfsburg

Borussia Dortmund v Schalke

Eintracht Frankfurt v Borussia

Monchengladbach

Fortuna Dusseldorf v Paderborn

Hoffenheim v Hertha Berlin

RB Leipzig v Freiburg

Sunday 17 May

Cologne v Mainz

Union Berlin v Bayern Munich

Monday 18 May

Werder Bremen v Bayer Leverkusen

MOVERS. SHAKERS AND FAMALAYYYY!!!

By: FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

I had never in my wildest dreams ever thought that mout-a-massy Timothy Harris would have allowed May 2020 to come and parliament would not have been dissolved.

So now in most people's eyes, whether he rings the bell today, tomorrow or next week, Timothy Harris looks like a weakling and a coward of biblical proportions.

What was /is Timothy waiting for?

The airport to finish? The second pier to finish? The State of the Art Basseterre High School to finish? Sorry. I mean to start?

It come like he wasn't expecting the year 2020 to reach St. Kitts-Nevis. It look to me like he thought we would be stuck in 2015 for at least five years.

And so he must be wondering what happened? Where did the five years go? How come 2015 fly by so quickly? How come all who were 'busing Labour in 2015 'busing him now? Where did he go wrong?

And the answer is simple. Ingratitude, greed and selfishness.

People on the outside looking in must be wondering what happened to his inner circle in five short years? People on the outside looking in must be wondering how come the most private business of his inner circle is routinely plastered all over Facebook for the world and his wife to read?

I don't even know if the things said on Facebook about anyone who dared to criticize or disagree with any member of the Team Unity government was true. But it was clear from the soap opera-type scandalous responses that the intention was to ridicule and most certainly

silence anybody who felt brave enough to question what the gods of Team Unity were doing.

And the irony is that that strategy did not work. Instead, far from frightening all critics into silence, Timothy Harris now has to buy time on

every available radio station to try to combat the mounting criticisms being leveled at him and the government day in, day out.

But abusing people who were once with Team Unity is bad enough. But abusing fellow cabinet ministers has to take the cake.

So after Timothy would have told all who had gone to dry clean their suit in anticipation of being sworn in as prime minister that there was no vacancy, and after giving Mark sand for sugar about some \$200 million, the last thing I was expecting to see is a prime minister who seems deathly afraid of calling the elections.

I can imagine that all eyes are on the federation. Everybody is waiting for a date. I don't believe for one second that any of the leaders in the Caribbean thought that they would have been waiting for a date at this stage of the game.

Now that the leaders know that all the movers and shakers who left Labour have left Unity, they understand why Timothy is hoping for Britain and her subjects to be engaged in a war.

And while Timothy waits, we must continue to welcome all to Labour. Welcome them with open arms. Welcome them to the CARING HANDS OF LABOUR.

FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

Constituency Boundaries Commission which began meeting under a new chairman in the last few weeks "and not wanting it appears for the boundaries matter to be heard in the court, fired the lawyers who have been representing the members of the former commission."

"It is a circus, a circus of clowns. There is no seriousness on the part of the government to hold the elections. None. The boundaries matter is not settled. There is no proper Voters List in place. The polling stations to be established to comply with COVID-19 conditions have not been identified," said Dr Douglas.

"The government is not serious about holding the elections. The government does not want to give up power. The government recognises it is going to lose the elections, but no matter what it does, it will have to hold the elections and it will lose," Dr Douglas stressed.

"The government which had so many opportunities to call the elections failed to do so because it was far behind in the polls. Now having being visited by the COVID-19 pandemic none of us had foreseen, it now finds itself totally confused in managing the crisis, having the elections and holding on to power. That is why the people of St. Kitts and Nevis have the right to vote, should be allowed to make their decision, especially in an environment when people are very displeased with the way the government has handled the crisis and very concerned having lost the confidence and trust of the prime minister and his government, concern that preparations are not being made under these unusual circumstances to ensure that a fair election is held, conducted in a way that they are not deprived of their legal rights," said Dr Douglas.

He reaffirmed that the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) and the NextGen SKN Team "are again emphasising whatever we do, whatever service we provide, it will always be about you the people of St. Kitts and Nevis."

Photo – Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas



By Vigilante

• When Humpty Dumpty see dat no lock dung could stop de Labour weekend, he nearly tek een wid de spasm. He tell de fallen angel dat if so much happening and it lock dung, imagine what woulda happen if it was ordinary time.

• Everybody know is Humpty Dumpty who mek de police and de army man dem reach dung St. Paul's wid dey long gun and tear gas to lock up de Boss and de people dem. Dey say dat when he realize dat he mek a arse a heself, he went by de fallen angel go bawl.

• He and he famalay did done have which cell dey was gon put dem een till dey try de case de next day. And dey did plan to mek dem walk from de jail to de court house shuckle up.

• When Humpty Dumpty see de mount a wud he get for mekking people wake up early morning to hear nutten, he call de fallen angel and ask him how come he carn get nutten right. De fallen angel remind him dat he left him distraught and depress when he left him for de pollster after all de \$7.00 chiney wid sauce he done buy for him. So is he ungratefulness he getting punish for.

• When Humpty Dumpty see what happen at de wreath laying, he start to froth like a hog. Dey say he call a emergency ZOOM Cabinet meeting to see how he could tun way Uncle on de spot. In de end dey decide dat Bad Wud gon tek a tun in Uncle arse de next day on he show and Andre and Mable gon drop de hammer on de Facebook.

• People in de know say dat Humpty Dumpty went wid de frilly mout deputy and some other people round de fort to tape him ringing de bell. He say he not doing it live because too much people gon know he business even before he start.

• Dey say dat dey never see a big man shake so yet. Dey say de whiskey lady try everyting to calm him but he just keep telling dem how he frighten. Even de fallen angel try giving him some \$7.00 chiney wid sauce. But nutten wuk. So he ain't tape it.

• Who did dere tell him dat he musn't ley de house dissolve itself. It not gon look good from any angle. But Ole Mother Hubbard say dat if he ain't brave enough to tape it, how dey gon expect him to be able to be brave enough to do it live.

• In de end dey say dat he famalay who does wuk wid de monkey dem say dat dey does give de monkey dem someting to mek dem brave. So whenever Humpty Dumpty ready, dey gon fix him up.

• Dey say dat since dey launch de international investigation into who threaten de judge, a certain lady losing a lotta weight. Dey say she telling people she diabetic, but dem who know, say dat she fraid jail.

• De news leak out dat Humpty Dumpty get over 10,000 flu shot and have dem stash way in de same room a house where he have de food what de plane bring. Dey say he plan to put dem in a friendly drugstore to sell for him like is de cure for de Corona.

• People carn believe is so moo moo de PAM politician dem be. Dey carn understand how dey let Humpty Dumpty tief all dey money and mek dem have to tief dey client money and he still have de face a brass to be busing dey people on de Facebook and calling dem tief.

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