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## Editorial

# Some Ongoing Concerns Of Our People

During our two previous editions we concentrated, in very general terms, on the state of the global economy, and what it portends for the world in general, and our country in particular.

We call on our government to explain to our people what their (the government's) plans are for the economic recovery of St Kitts and Nevis, and ultimately, the future of our people. We asked for an explanation as to what has happened to the very substantial amount of monetary reserves left in place by the Labour administration of our beloved Comrade Leader, Dr. The Rt. Hon. Denzil Llewellyn Douglas.

It is not anticipated that they will ever provide the nation with anything even close to a faithful explanation as to what has become of those reserves, if any at all.

Where it comes to dealing with our people the government seems to be one that is more concerned with 'show business' than with reality. But such deceptions work only for a time. Eventuality people see through them and may become angry, sometimes very angry indeed.

One can only imagine how it pains them that COVID-19 deprived them of another opportunity to use music festival.

In a manner so typical of them, they made a big show of 'announcing' that they would be opening up the country tomorrow, Saturday 31 October. That was supposed to signal that the revival of the economic was at long last underway, and that our people could once more expect all sorts of wonderful things to begin happening.

It was also to assure our people that the regime have sound, well thought out and designed arrangements to give effect to such plans.

Lo and behold, a mere three days before the 'grand' happening, four air services, one regional and three international, announced that they have cancelled all flights for the month of November.

That has to be a major setback to everyone, the carriers, travelers, and national authorities.



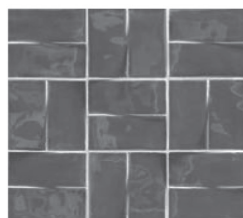
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Did our government have a contingency plan for such eventualities?

Knowing them as we do, we seriously doubt that. But, meanwhile, we await word from them, even though it is most unlikely that they will ever have the courage, the decency, and the good sense to publicly and directly address such incompetence and failings on their part.

We would also like to bring to their attention certain matters affecting our people, this time at the consumer level.

A goodly number of our people have been complaining that, within recent times, bread which they been purchasing at bakeries and other outlets have not been 'lasting' as long as the previously did.

According to reports reaching us, many consumers have been finding that bread is becoming 'moldy' in very short spaces of time. For example, where a purchase once lasted for a full week, without any need for refrigeration, now all sorts of green and yellow 'mold' is beginning to show up on flour-based baked products.

That also has serious implications for our people's health, and we are calling on government to investigate these matters, by assigning inspectors of the Consumer Affairs Division, Public Health Department, Bureau of Standards, and such other officers as

necessary, to look into the matter.

Another burning issue seems to be the number of cases involving our people being sold items of electrical and electronic equipment which work for only short periods of time, then go bad, and are deemed outside the physical range of warranties.

Some American suppliers are notorious for indulging in the trade practice known as 'dumping'. Goods which they can NEVER sell to consumers in their country are craftily syphoned off the production lines, deceptively packaged, and then shipped to countries such as ours.

Some of them even indulge in similar practices where it comes to consumable goods. That may well be the case where it comes to flour, and our bakers may thus be unsuspectingly passing on unhealthy products to our consuming public.

That is a matter of even greater concern, given the dangers of the ongoing pandemic.

We also call on our importing agents to exercise increased levels of caution where these matters are concerned.

But the overall responsibility is that of the government, and we of this newspaper exhort them to shoulder their responsibilities where all of these matters are concerned.

The good people of St Kitts and Nevis are fully entitled to such service.

# SKNT&LU Host Successful 81st Annual Workers' Conference In 'New Normal' Atmosphere

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 30th October 2020)- Held under the theme 'Inspiring Trade Union Growth in the New Normal', workers' organization, the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades & Labour Union successfully hosted its 81st Annual Conference on Sunday 25th October which saw many workers in attendance.

The event was conducted at the conference room of the Solid Waste Management Corporation located at Taylor's Range, Basseterre in an effort to properly observe the COVID-19 safety protocols including physical distancing and hand sanitization.

President Sydney Bridgewater, during his presentation, talked

about the activities of the union's office amidst COVID-19.

"Visits and phone calls to our office by workers keep our organisation focused and driven. We listen to concerns and complaints where, giving advice and acting on their behalf respectively. As you can imagine, during this period of layoffs, business closure and other related areas, our Union has been busy in relation to workers who reach out to us on matters of concerns such as severance pay calculations and the reasons for being laid off."



## The upgraded St.Kitts-Nevis Trades & Labour Union crest

He continued: "Our Union members have consulted us and so have other workers who know about the role of the Union. I am happy to report today that the function and effectiveness have encouraged those workers who were not among our membership to join the organisation! I am confident and comforted knowing that they were inspired through personal experience to do so in our handling of grievances".

Bridgewater encouraged other workers to be part of the Union's membership.

"We want, however, others to get onboard in the general sense of having formal representation as a worker! That is our role, to listen to your voice and be your voice!"

According to him, the organization intends on engaging the public through specific promotional and educational activities in the near future so as to expand its membership.

In speaking about the rights of workers in the Federation of St.Kitts-Nevis, he commented: "The rights of workers did not 'poof' into being. The pages of history feature a long list of notable achievements and also specific movers and shakers who are the narrators of such stories of progress over the years. The scope of the victories of the labour/workers' movement is local, regional and international. Relative to St.Kitts-Nevis, we can point to the 1935 Buckley's Riot as one of our pivotal examples for the time period dubbed 'The Birthplace of Caribbean Democracy'. Unsatisfied with social and work conditions, history recalls the triumphant efforts of estate labourers during the sugar industry era whereby a strike led to the fight for improved conditions; some of these labourers ended up paying the ultimate sacrifice. Their heroic actions resulted in the priceless accomplishments of the freedom of joining a trade, the minimum wage structure and holiday with pay among other notable accomplishments."

Fraternal greetings were delivered in person by Political Leader of the St. Kitts and Nevis Labour Party and former Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas, while immediate Past General Secretary of the Caribbean Congress of Labour Asokore Beckles General Secretary of the Barbados Workers Union Toni Moore, President of the Workers Institute for Organized Labour (in St. Martin) Theophilus Thompson did so via video presentations while that of General Secretary of the Antigua-Barbuda Trades and Labour Union Mr. Hugh Joseph was read at the conference.

Bringing remarks from the Ministry of Labour was the Labour Commissioner Ms. Shernel James, while well-known educator Dr. Joyelle Clarke was the guest speaker.

More conference coverage details to be provided in a follow-up report.

**Front Page Photo: Section of the audience in attendance at the 81st annual conference of the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades & Labour Union held on Sunday 25th October 2020 at the SWMC Conference Room (Spokesman Snap)**

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SKBHCV2017/0132  
**ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED** - Applicant  
and  
**AUSTIN BUCHANAN**  
and  
**DEBRA BUCHANAN** - Respondents  
**NOTICE OF SALE**

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at Sir Lee Llewellyn Moore Judicial and Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 12 day of Nov 2020 at 2:15 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 known as Lot No. 32 View Point Housing Development in Sandy Point bounded and measuring as follows:- On or towards the North-East by Lot No. 33, 42.77 feet; On or towards the East by an Estate Road, 68.31 feet; On or towards the South-West by Lot No. 28 and Lot No. 29, 97.25 feet; On or towards the West by Lot No. 31, 37.43 feet; On or towards the North by a Round About, 12.93 feet; and On or towards the North-West by a Round About, 24.81 feet and 12.62 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,059.51 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2008 and registered in Book H3 Folio 339 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of **AUSTIN BUCHANAN** and **DEBRA BUCHANAN** both of Old Mill Road, West Farm, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietors thereof.

**UPSET PRICE**

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$291,843.97**  
Dated the 12 day of Nov 2020  
  
Registrar of the Supreme Court

# CMO Laws Outlines Flight Regulations For System Monitoring High, Low Risk Areas

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 30th October 2020) -Travelers who might be thinking about beating entry regulations through connecting flights to a 'Caribbean Bubble' territory should think again.

Chief Medical Officer Dr. Hazel Laws, during her presentation a Border Reopening press conference held on Wednesday, 28th October, 2020 at the Royal St. Kitts Hotel Ballroom Room in Frigate Bay, explained the monitoring system in place.

"Please note that you should be residing in that 'Caribbean Bubble' territory for at least twenty-one (21) days in order for you to be considered as part of this 'Caribbean Bubble'. So in other words, you cannot come from New York or Miami and go to Anguilla and spend three days and come to St.Kitts and expect to be considered as part of the 'Caribbean Bubble'. You really should have been residing in Anguilla or Montserrat for at least 21 days then when you come to St.Kitts once you meet the requirements then you would be free to integrate without any period of quarantine or confinement."

Participating countries of the 'Caribbean Bubble' category meeting the criteria of low risk areas include Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia and also St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Dr. Laws continued:"So if you come and land at RLB Airport from Anguilla or Montserrat, you would be asked to undergo a focused health screening at the airport so the port health surveillance officer will be asking you series of questions just to make sure that you are not exhibiting any of the COVID like symptoms. Your temperature will also be taken and so once you are not exhibiting symptoms, once your temperature is normal, you would then be free to leave the health counter and move on to immigrations and customs and leave the airport and be allowed to integrate freely into our society."

Meanwhile, passengers coming in from in-transit flights from St.Martin will be considering as coming from a high risk territory.

"Please note that all arriving passengers from within the 'Caribbean Bubble' who have been in -transit in a country outside of the bubble will be included in the second category... For example, if you are leaving Anguilla you happen to you route yourself through St.Martin on route to St.Kitts, you're going to have little challenge right there because if you rain transit in St.Martin which is a high risk territory, you will not be considered as part of the Caribbean Bubble," the CMO stated.

As understood, if passenger is found to have symptoms like coughing, sneezing or even exhibiting a temperature or fever, he/she will be directed to one of the three testing booths where a nasopharyngeal sample will be taken and sent to a local laboratory for testing.

Additionally, afterwards, the passenger will be directed to one of the two isolation rooms in the isolation section on the ramp to be isolated, evaluated and triaged by the medical team following which the passenger will then be transferred directly from the isolation room and unit via appropriate transportation either to the COVID ward at out JNF General Hospital or the accommodation sites where they would have appropriate quarantine areas.

All in-bound travelers will be required to complete and submit the Customs, Border and Health Entry form (via [www.knatravelform.kn](http://www.knatravelform.kn)) with required details including evidence

of a negative PCR test.

That test to be done at an ISO accredited lab in the traveler's host country. CMO Laws has advised travelers to Google such information on laboratory locations by putting in home address and search for the closest in their area so as to access service.

Passengers will be asked to provide the result of a PCR test done within three (3) days of travel before boarding a flight to the Federation.

On arrival at the airport, they will be asked to download the St.Kitts and Nevis COVID-19 app (EXMAPP) because persons will be monitored for the first fourteen (14) days of their stay here in the Federation.

A dry run demonstration is expected to take place on Saturday 31st October 2020; the day that the border is scheduled to be reopen.



An AA flight and British Airways flight are expected to touch down come Saturday 7th November.

**Photo: Chief Medical Officer Dr. Hazel Laws, during her presentation a Border Reopening press conference held on Wednesday 28th October 2020 at the Royal St. Kitts Hotel Ballroom Room (Spokesman Snap)**

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 10.19 SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT A. D. 2020		
SKBHCV2017/0143		
<b>ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED</b> and <b>KURT EDWARDS</b> <b>NOTICE OF SALE</b>		- Applicant  - Respondent
<p>The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at Sir Lee Llewellyn Moore Judicial and Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 5 day of November 2020 at 2.00 o'clock in the forenoon.</p>		
<p>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.</p>		
<p>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.</p>		
<p>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.</p>		
<p>The Property will be available for inspection prior to the date of sale by appointment with the Registrar of the Supreme Court.</p>		
<b>DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY</b>		
<p><b>ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon situate at Green Tree Housing Development in the Island of St. Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: On or towards the North East by Wingfield Drive 70 feet; On or towards the South East by Citrus Street 6.98 feet and 35 feet; On or towards the South-West by Lot No. 77, 75 feet and On or towards the North-West by Lot No. 76, 40 feet and containing by admeasurement 2,986.50 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012 and registered in Book L3 Folio 531A of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of KURT EDWARDS of No 2 Burkes Project Extension, Sandy Point, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.</b></p>		
<b>UPSET PRICE</b>		
<p>The Upset price for the above property shall be <b>EC\$143,312.20</b></p>		
<p>Dated the 29 day of May 2020</p>		
 Registrar of the Supreme Court		

# Scholarships available for CARICOM students in the Green Economy Sector

## Applications open in January 2021!

Monday, October 26, 2020 - Global Affairs Canada is pleased to introduce the Canada-CARICOM Skills Training for the Green Economy Scholarship program - a new short-term exchange opportunity in Canada for students from the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Member States who wish to pursue certificates, diplomas and associate degrees in disciplines related to climate change and resilience building.

The Canada-CARICOM Skills Training for the Green Economy Scholarship program is facilitated through institutional collaborations and student exchange agreements between publicly funded Canadian colleges and institutes and post-secondary institutions across the CARICOM offering technical or vocational education and training (TVET).

Interested candidates should contact their home institution's international office about existing partnerships or student exchange agreements with Canadian colleges and institutes, which would enable their participation in the program.

**Program name:** Canada-CARICOM Skills Training for the Green Economy Scholarships program

**Funding organization:** Global Affairs Canada

**Target audiences:** Students at the certificate, diploma and associate degree levels in Antigua and Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.

**Duration:** For a minimum of 4 months or one academic term; or for a period of 8 months or two academic terms.

**Inclusions:** Visa and/or study/work permit fees, airfare, health insurance, living expenses, ground transportation, books and supplies.

**Application period:** January to March 2021

For information about the new scholarship program visit: Canada-CARICOM Skills Training for the Green Economy Scholarship Program.

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In the Estate of LAURA MANNERS late of Laura Lane formerly Happy Hill Alley, Newtown in the Town of Basseterre in the Island of St. Christopher, deceased

**NOTICE**

**TAKE NOTICE** that an application has been filed by Bryant & Liburd on behalf of CAROL WILLET nee LAWS of Ponds Extension in the Town of Basseterre in the Island of St. Christopher for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019 without revoking a will bearing the date of 28<sup>th</sup> April 2000 wherein the applicant is named Sole Executrix and Trustee.

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

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020.

*Bryant & Liburd*  
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Solicitors for  
the Executrix

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SKBHCV2013/0297

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

JULIAN GABRIEL

-Respondent

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**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land known as Lot No. 12 of St. Peter's Place Housing Development, situate in the Parish of Saint Peter in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North-East by Lot No. 13, 95.15 feet; On or towards the South-East by a Development Road, 60.28 feet; On or towards the South-West by Lot No. 11, 88.25 feet; and On or towards the North-West by Lot No. 5, 60.03 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,498.00 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2009 and registered in Book 13 Folio 56 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of JULIAN GABRIEL of Lower Monkey Hill, St. Peters, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.

**UPSET PRICE**

The Upset price for the above property shall be EC\$450,000.00

Dated the 09 day of May 2020

*J. Lake*  
Registrar of the Supreme Court

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# Premier Brantley Addresses Debatable Family Life Planning Advice

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 30th October 2020)- Premier Mark Brantley has addressed what came off as a debatable public topic in relation to recent radio-talk advice given on the topic of responsible family life planning.

...“this time around it created some controversy but that was not the intention. The intention was to engage in an ongoing conversation about our people trying to be responsible,” he said while responding to a reporter at his monthly press conference held on Thursday 29th October 2020.”

“Part of our role is not to tell people what they want to hear but also to tell people some hard truths which they may not want to hear, and one of those hard truths is that our people continue to behave in some areas irresponsibly,” he noted.

Brantley went on to say: “You talk about people who have children here, there and everywhere. Men, in particular, who feel that it is their right to get as many children as they can without regard as to how those children are going to be supported when we have contraceptives that are available again for free.”



He shared an experience that a gentleman came to him once asking for some assistance because the bailiff was looking for him because he did not pay his child support.

“I was sympathetic but used the opportunity to have a

conversation with him to ascertain from him how did you find yourself in this situation?” ...thinking that perhaps he’s out of work and fallen on hard times only to learn that the man has six children from six different women, and his theory on life was... because women like to tell lies and like to say he was not their man so that is why he did it so that he has proof that he was with this particular female. Now we can debate all day, all night as to why someone would need proof that he was with a particular female but in his mind that was evidence that he was in a relationship with that female; that was his motivating force but I now must put my hand in my pocket to rescue him from the Bailiff,” Brantley stated.

“I spoke to him and I said that I have two children and I try to limit myself to two because that is what I could afford. Here he was having six and bailiff looking for him but the reason why he had six from six different women was as he explained it to me,” he added.

Brantley disclosed that having told the individual that the clinics and Health Promotion Unit to get free condoms to which the man stormed out and accused him of not respecting poor people.

“Now, we must talk about these things, and I’m not gonna shy away because some had hurt feelings. We must talk about these things and perhaps when the Premier speaks, more people might listen; I don’t know, and if it generated some controversy I’m not sure why but perhaps it’s a good thing because see you’ve come this morning to ask me about it again, and people were talking about it.”

He continued: “We cannot get to the type of society we need if we continue to cuddle everybody and when people do things that we know they shouldn’t do, and that they know they shouldn’t do, we tell them they’re right. So I hear people saying a child is a gift from God and children are a blessing. That is true but with that blessing comes a responsibility and that is all I’m saying to people. If you are going to decide to go down a particular road and engage in particular activities.”

Additionally, he alluded that in speaking to some individuals their response is that they are adults.

“Well, that’s ok but if you’re a big man or big woman, be a big man or big woman when your responsibility comes. You can’t be a big man or big woman when are having the fun but when the baby comes now, the baby is somebody else’s responsibility, and people don’t like to hear these things because our people have gotten to a point somehow that you must tell them what they want to hear; make them feel good... tell them that their irresponsible is ok... ‘it’s not your fault’.”

Brantley pointed out that some commentaries that he seen some people would want to take him back to the days of slavery and say that such is a legacy of slavery.

“At what point, with all the education we’ve invested in, all the advances in healthcare and technology, at what point does that kick in or we still go back to 200 years ago?” he questioned.

“I don’t accept that. Yes there are problems in society, yes there are things that happen outside the control of persons, yes there are poor people who are taken advantage of including women but we also have to drill into our people’s heads that where you have a choice seek to make the right choice. Where you’re going to take a decision, understand that that decision might have consequences and as a result of that we hope you will make better decisions because poor choices and poor decisions and irresponsible behavior has an impact for the entire community,” Brantley highlighted.

In further speaking about the feedback he received from his radio presentation, he expressed: “It is not as some say to you that I am preaching to people or I am condescending. I am speaking truth and facts, and I am asking people to listen. If you don’t like it because I’m the messenger that’s ok too perhaps others will hear me and give you the message in a different way that you will like. Even the way I expressed the message because I resorted to Nevisian vernacular and I seem to have offended some people feel that the Premier mustn’t talk ‘bad’ like that. Well, that’s my culture. I said colloquially Im sure people understood what I was talking about but the point that I was making-and Im happy you raised it-is that all of us have an obligation to talk about these issues. There are too many social issues that are swept under the rug in our country... There are unpleasant

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- Applicant

and

**DERRICK HANLEY**

- Respondent

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**ALL THAT** lot piece or parcel of land situate at Newton Ground, in the Parish of St. Paul, in the Island of Saint Christopher, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North by lands of Cranstoun Estate occupied by Constantia Elliott, 54.89 feet; On or towards the East by lands of Cranstoun Estate occupied by Emanuel Burke, 61.24 feet; On or towards the South by lands of Cranstoun Estate occupied by Eleanor Charles, 30.09 feet; On or towards the West and South West by lands of Cranstoun Estate, 46.05 feet and 13.40 feet and containing by admeasurement 2,655.34 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007 and registered in Book G3 Folio 294A of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of DERRICK HANLEY of Bradshaw Alley, Newton Ground Village, in the Parish of St. Pauls, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.

#### UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$50,000.00**

Dated the 19 day of Nov 2020

Registrar of the Supreme Court



# Zack Talks Cultural Appreciation Amidst New Normal Times

By: Precious Mills

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 30th October 2020)-Well-known Cultural Preservationist and keeper of the Zack’s Historical-Cultural Library and Museum (located at Buckley’s Estate) Winston ‘Zack’ Nisbett is of the view that changes to the Christmas and Sugar Mas season this time around due to the COVID-19 pandemic presents an opportunity to bring back a deeper appreciation and focus on the cultural aspects of St.Kitts-Nevis.

At a tour at his museum having shown this reporter some exhibition pieces related to the early years of Carnival, he was quizzed about changes in the country’s hosting of Sugar Mas 49 (National Carnival) this year and asked if he is looking forward to the cultural aspects taking the spotlight.

Nisbett, who has had a longstanding relation with the Department of Culture in visiting and teaching cultural art forms in school, talked about plans for the upcoming Christmas and carnival season.

“We are going to be focusing on traditional sports. That is where the Department of Culture will be heading. Just the other night there were some masquerades practicing at the ‘CEMACO’ parking lot, you’ll be seeing the Bull in its splendor and the real aspect with the full explanations such as the Nearga Business, the Red Cross Regiment... you would be seeing those types of sports.”

He went on to say that the Zack’s International String Band- which features many children musicians- will be doing many home serenading in the villages during the Christmas and Carnival Season “as the old time days were”, and is hoping to start such come Saturday (31st October 2020).

In accordance with Nisbett, judging the impact of the cultural impact, the carnival officials should continue in the years ahead going forward.

“If the effect this year is good then they should go through with it because for one I’m a carnival and cultural person. I prefer the real cultural, folkloric than the ‘wukkin up’. Yes, the ‘wukkin up’ is there because it’s carnival time and people go out there more modernized and everything nowadays but we’re adopting outside ways of doing things. It’s best if we stick to our own thing which is more indigenous and and has more meaning and relevance

for people, and get younger people involved rather than wasting time. For example, you can see with the traditional musical workshop I host each year where they have to be disciplined and focused on learning to play their cultural instruments such as the banjo, fife and guitar for which they can make their own dollar honestly.”

Commenting on whether he thinks this ‘New Normal’ period gives the chance for more cultural features, he commented: “Of course! That should have been happening long time ago because many of the persons who look at Carnival and culture, they just see the sports up and down the place without much coordination, and so they don’t see the gist of the significance, and so this is times to dig into it and pay more attention where it would be highlighted. You’ll see the fifers, banjo

players... the little children you’ll see them at their very best.”

He further touched on the benefits children participating in upholding the culture of St.Kitts-Nevis, he pointed to his string band as an example.

“The children benefit financially in a big way because they earn money to help buy school uniforms and earn money for themselves and their parents. They go out and they get good tips. We play at certain dignified places like the Governor General residence with him seated there and dine with him, and not only that the hotels that are now coming back on stream and so we will be featured at some of them.”

For the occasion of 37th anniversary of Independence (observed 19th September), Nisbett hosted an exhibition dubbed “Emancipation to Independence” which concluded recently.

He said “it was ‘truly it was a spectacle to be seen’ noting that many persons visited in the likes of many notable dignitaries and public servants.

The exhibition has been extended which features photo and information highlights of carnival and Christmas of the yesteryears.

Individuals, groups and others who wish to visit are asked to call Nisbett at 664-9016.

**Front Page Photo: Well-known Cultural Preservationist and keeper of the Zack’s Historical- Cultural Library and Museum (located at Buckley’s Estate) Winston ‘Zack’ Nisbett points to a display showing a photo of the first carnival J’ouvert in December 1957 during a tour by this media house on Tuesday 27th October 2020 (Spokesman Snap)**

## Premier Brantley

### Addresses... (cont’d from page 07)

facts of life in our community and you can never deal with a problem by ignoring it. You must always deal with a problem by being open with it and being able to discuss it, and that is all that I sort to do, and this time around it created some controversy but that was not the intention. The intention was to engage in an ongoing conversation about our people trying to be responsible...”

Appearing on a recent edition of the weekly “On the Mark” radio programme, Brantley touched the topic of responsible family planning, and the clipping with his comments has been circulating on social media.

**From Page Photo: Premier Mark Brantley speaking at his monthly press conference held on Thursday 29th October 2020 (Screenshot image snapped from facebook/ NevisTelevision**

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Claim No. SKBHCV2015/0207

**ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED** - Applicant  
and  
**CLYVE CAINES**  
**VERNICE MORTON**  
and  
**CLYVE JEVON CAINES** - Respondents

**NOTICE OF SALE**

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at Sir Lee Llewellyn Moore Judicial and Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 5 day of Nov 2020 at 4pm 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 known as Lot No. E-6 situate at Bird Rock Residential & Commercial Development in the Parish of Saint George, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North West by a Public Road, 127.29 feet; On or towards the East by Lot E-5, 253.78 feet; On or towards the South by Crown Lands, 131.90 feet and 87.66 feet; And On or towards the West by Lot E-7, 119.98 feet and containing by admeasurement 0.66 acre, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007 and registered in Book G3 Folio 609 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of **CLYVE CAINES, VERNICE MORTON and CLYVE JEVON CAINES** of Earle Morne, Bird Rock, in the Island of Saint Christopher as Registered Proprietors thereof.

**UPSET PRICE**

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$815,048.33**

Dated the 19 day of Aug 2020

Registrar of the Supreme Court

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

# HIGHPOINT

## Double Dipping; Dipping Deep

The bold and immoral act of double-dipping has long been an exploit of major concern for the wider population when scrutinizing politicians within the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis. While some movements and politicians side with the general electorate in realizing the social, mental, and physical implications of such a move, others are led by their own volition and sub-sumed by their struggles with greed and gluttony.

Double-dipping has far long been the basis of illegal acts in the Federation, and have gone with-out any significant legal reprimand. It is for this reason, why more and more persons seem to now embrace and advocate for such an act, as it is seen that time is not only being wasted on highlighting the shortcomings, but there are no correctional provisions to address such. Conse-quentially, as we take a look at our history, we see that our system is overtaken by double-dipping, as persons, namely politicians and their cabal continue to exploit the resources of the people and stifle the potential strides we can attain as a nation.

There are obviously two divides of the political spectrum in the Federation; divides beyond the measure of party politics. There are those who have realized the repercussions of double-dipping, despite the personal gain, and those who have embraced the personal gain, despite the repercus-sions. There are those who have included clauses in their bylaws that prohibit such an act, and there are those whose bylaws are there for show and tell.

Much can be said and listed about the members of the unity construct now in government, indi-vidually, but what is at focus here is them as a collective, and how the traits of one seem to run through the seams of the conglomerate contaminating the very essence their being and poisoning any semblance of morality they may have possessed. When we take a look at some of those elected today, they are collecting allowances, salaries, and other benefits from both the Nevis Island Administration and the St. Kitts-Nevis government. Sadly, all this income and nothing to show, as these politicians appear, in some people's eyes, to have not only neglected their duties to serve but have neglected the people who elected them.

But what can really be said? Wasn't it the very same people of Nevis who elected them? Even after one politician referred to the electorate as donkeys when advancing his case for double-dipping? Should this stand as a consequence of the buffoonery of the people? ...But then again, aren't we electing persons who should serve as guides and lead by example? Politicians who have dedicated their lives to upholding what is moral and just? Leaders that should guide and conduct themselves in a manner that is fit and just?

This seems to be a textbook definition for politicians, as those in the unity construct blatantly continue to double and triple dip, and digging deeper and deeper. And although this might not be the height of their corruption, just as violence begets violence, corruption begets corruption.

Just recently, the Minister of Housing named the existing chairman of the National Housing Corporation as a special advisor within the very same ministry he is already employed by? With-out remorse and morally unabated, this individual holds two posts in the same ministry, collect-ing two paychecks from the same ministry, and most likely, performing abysmally in both, based on the individual's track record.

Is this the new norm? Double-dipping, regardless of the concerns and queries of the people? Committing to roles ad positions for the sake of a check, while neglecting the corresponding du-ties and responsibilities?

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I use this platform to encourage us as a people to speak louder against such actions and condemn the individuals and structures that promote this form and any form of corruption.

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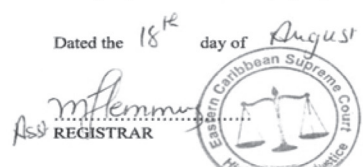
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Aren't we tired of this? With the

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS NEVIS CIRCUIT TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 10.19 A.D. 2020	
NEVHCV2017/0110	
<p>In the matter of Section 75 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19</p> <p>and</p> <p>In the matter of an Application to settle Articles of Sale of the Respondent's property comprised in a Certificate of Title dated 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2012 registered in Register Book 50 Folio 27</p>	
THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED	Applicant
and	
ANDREW TITLEY	Respondent
<b>NOTICE OF SALE</b>	
<p>The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of The Supreme Court by public auction at the Court House, Charlestown, Nevis on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 at 3.00 o'clock in the forenoon.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	
<b>DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY</b>	
<p>ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Springhill Estate in the Parish of St. James in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North East by a Ghaut 523.50 feet; On or towards the East by Lot No. 22 and Lot No. 21, 166.76 feet; On or towards the South East by a cul-de-sac 73.65 feet and by Lot No. 17, 429.82 feet and On or towards the North West by lands of Caribbean islands Development (Nevis) Ltd. 179.78 feet and comprising 2.0 acres</p>	
<b>UPSET PRICE</b>	
<p>The upset price for the above property shall be ECS609,840.00.</p>	
<p>Dated the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.</p>	
	

# Financial Security during Economic Uncertainty



Basseterre, St. Kitts- In the Rotary world, October is recognised as “Economic and Community Development Month” and in Eastern Caribbean Currency Union, October is recognised as “Financial Information Month”. Therefore, it was quite apropos that the Rotary Club of Liamuiga used its recent breakfast meeting to discuss “Financial Security during Economic Uncertainty”.

The Rotarians welcomed guest speaker **Mrs Pamela Herbert-Daniel** to their meeting on Wednesday October 28, 2020. Mrs Herbert-Daniel, Country Manager, Republic Bank (St. Kitts and Nevis), explored the financial and economic uncertainties affecting everyone in the midst of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Her keyword for the gathering was “budget”.



“The importance of making a budget is a financial lesson that cannot be over emphasised,” noted Mrs Herbert-Daniel. “During these times of economic uncertainty, conditions force the necessity of having a budget upon many of us who were previously able to get by without it.”

During her thought-provoking presentation, Mrs Herbert-Daniel also stressed the importance of financial stability as a state of money and more importantly as a state of mind. She noted that budgeting helps with the money state but that the mind-set and discipline of managing one’s finances is a tougher task.

“If you find yourself overwhelmed because the pandemic has destabilised your finances, do not avoid the topic out of fear,” implored Mrs Herbert-Daniel. “Once you have defined what personal stability means to you, you can build a sense of control through proactive money management, for example, keeping your savings in one account and incidentals in another account.”

In offering further advice to achieve financial stability, Mrs Daniel proffered that persons use a 50/20/30 budget ratio:

- 50% of your take-home pay for necessities (groceries, medicals and utilities)
- 20% for ‘wants’ (takeout from your favourite restaurant, home decor, etc.)
- 30% towards debt payments and savings

Following her wide-ranging and informative discussion, another keyword emerged, which was “discipline”. Budgeting and discipline are key to achieving and maintaining financial stability during the economic uncertainty of the pandemic. However, in her parting words to the Rotarians gathered, Mrs Herbert Daniel, offered a glimmer of hope to all, stating “If you find yourself in an unpleasant state of mind, simply remind yourself that this too shall pass.”

**Rotary Club of Liamuiga breakfast meeting**



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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
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 SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT  
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In the Estate of HENRY WILLIAM BROWNE late of  
 Conaree Village in the Parish of St. Peters in the Island  
 of St. Kitts, deceased

**ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PROBATE**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **HESKETH W. BENJAMIN**, Attorney-at-Law for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2020 without revoking a will bearing the date of 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015 wherein the applicant is named sole executor.

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

Dated this *27* day of *August*, 2020

Filed by:   
**Hesketh W. Benjamin**  
 Attorney-at-Law  
 Chambers  
 West Independence Square Street  
 Basseterre  
 St. Kitts

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
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 A. D. 2020

SKBHCV2016/0030

**ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED** - Applicant  
 and  
**JEFFERSON LEWIS** - Respondent

**NOTICE OF SALE**

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at Sir Lee Llewellyn Moore Judicial and Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the *5* day of *Nov* 2020 at *2:15* 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.

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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 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 *19* day of *Aug* 2020

Registrar of the Supreme Court

# Development Bank is 2020 Legends Calypso Tent's platinum sponsor

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, October 28, 2020 (DBSKN) — Development Bank of St. Kitts and Nevis is once again the platinum sponsor of King Socrates' Legends Calypso Tent whose rehearsals opened Tuesday evening October 27 at the OOJJ's Complex in Camps.

"I want to thank the management of Development Bank of St. Kitts and Nevis for once again partnering with the Legends Calypso Tent where we can host a feature of a carnival, the calypso show, and competition," said decorated calypsonian and reigning Senior Calypso King, Mr Sylvester Hodge who is better known by his stage name King Socrates.

Reflecting on Legends Calypso Tent's relationship with the Development Bank of St. Kitts and Nevis, the seven times National Calypso Monarch, King Socrates told the Bank's Marketing and Product Development Officer, Ms Chantelle Rochester, that it has been the only bank that has come on board and supported Legends Calypso Tent as a platinum sponsor now for the last four years.

In presenting the sponsorship cheque of \$10,000 to Mr Sylvester Hodge, Ms Rochester, informed him that the Development Bank of St. Kitts and Nevis is cognisant of the fact that the people of St. Kitts and Nevis are proud of their culture and will go to great lengths to preserve it for future generations.

"The Board of Directors, Management and Staff at the Development Bank of St. Kitts and Nevis recognise you as one of our great cultural icons," noted Ms Rochester. "It is heartwarming to note that at the Legends Calypso Tent you are passing on your calypso skills of writing and performing to persons who will be competing against you for the Senior Monarch crown. The Federation cannot ask for a better cultural icon."

At OOJJ's Complex on Tuesday evening, Band Leader Mr Gavin Charles said the rehearsals will continue for the rest of the week as the calypsonians at the Legends Tent practice for the up-coming season, noting that at the tent they have over the years always felt that calypso needed to be modernised. Also present was Legends Calypso Tent's M.C. Ms Sandra Byron, better known as Sandra B.

"This year we were given that opportunity, so we came together tonight to start getting prepared for the show that is slated for the 14th of next month," said Mr Charles. "So we came to start gelling together, meeting the new calypsonians as we have a lot of new members. A lot of the calypsonians were introduced to us tonight and we basically started scheduling rehearsals for the rest of the week."

One of the new calypsonians is 20-year-old Ms Nyailah



Mr Sylvester Hodge, better known as King Socrates, receives sponsorship cheque for this year's Legends Calypso Tent from Development Bank's Marketing and Product Development Officer, Ms Chantelle Rochester.

Walters, who is an aspiring local R&B artiste whose music is produced by King Socrates. She explained that she decided to take part because calypso is a part of her heritage, as it speaks a lot about St. Kitts and Nevis.

"In terms of expectations I expect that it will not be an easy road to be honest - there will be some challenges," said Ms Walters. "I will do it with an open mind, but I know I will be nervous about it especially coming closer to the whole competition, knowing that I have to compete against the legends."

She added: "The whole other frightening part about it would be the fact that I have to go up and if I make it to the finals I will have to be competing against King Socrates. He is a whole legend by himself to be honest, and I really admire him a lot. So if I will



Mr Sylvester Hodge, better known as King Socrates, with the youngest calypsonian at this year's Legends Calypso Tent, 20-year-old Ms Nyailah Walters on opening night at OOJJ's Complex in Camps.



King Socrates (standing right) with Band Leader Mr Gavin Charles and M.C. Ms Sandra Byron, better known as Sandra B, on opening night of the Legends Calypso Tent at OOJJ's Complex in Camps



Practice session on Legends Calypso Tent's opening night at OOJJ's Complex in Camps.

win or lose I will accept the whole experience as a journey that I have taken to become a better person and know more about myself and my whole heritage."

According to King Socrates, there are two calypso tents, the other being Proud Sounds, and will start on Saturday November 14. He has 17 calypsonians in his tent, and they are hoping to utilise the Carnival City where it can be better managed, and with tickets being sold ahead of time they will know who will attend. That way, if there will be a need for contact tracing thereafter it will be easy to monitor that one location.

Due to the continued threat by the Covid-19 pandemic and the fact that Emergency Powers Regulations were extended from October 19 to December 31, 2020, King Socrates noted: "If there is a number set by the NEOC that this is our cut-off limit for persons attending, we will have to be governed by the protocols."

He observed: "We will have the calypso tents, then eliminations one and two, from that they select fifteen calypsonians to go up against the reigning monarch, that happens to be myself, So we will have sixteen persons competing on that night doing one song, whereas on the final night normally we just have eight, doing two songs. So they won't have any semi-finals, from eliminations we go straight to the finals, sixteen calypsonians doing their best to capture the monarch."

AP Associated Press - International News - Asia Pacific - Tuesday 27 October 2020

# Taiwan Says New Arms Purchases To Boost Credible Defence



16 May 2007: A Taiwanese navy frigate as it launched a 'Harpoon' surface-to-surface missile during the second day of the annual Hankuang military exercises off Ilan, central eastern coast of Taiwan. Photo credit: Wally Santana (AP file).

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - Taiwan said Tuesday that recently proposed purchases of US missiles and other arms systems will boost the island's ability to credibly defend itself amid rising threats from China.

The comments from defense ministry spokesperson Shih Shunwen came a day after China said it would exact unspecified retaliation against companies that make the weapons systems, including Lockheed Martin Corporation, Raytheon Technologies Corporation, and Boeing Company's defense division, the lead contractor on a \$2.37 billion sale of Harpoon missile systems to Taiwan.

The Trump administration on Monday notified Congress of plans for the sale of the Harpoon system, whose missiles are capable of striking ships and land targets. Boeing says the missile uses GPS-aided inertial navigation and delivers a 500-pound blast warhead. It can target coastal defense sites, surface-to-air missile sites, exposed aircraft, ships in port, and port and industrial facilities.

That followed another proposed sale, announced on 21 October, of \$1.8 billion worth of weaponry, including missile and rocket systems, and upgraded equipment for Taiwan's F-16 jet fighters.

Facing a potential Chinese foe with overwhelming superiority in missiles, soldiers, ships and planes, Taiwan has struggled to assure its own people and its key ally, The US, that it is capable of and willing to see to its own defense. The sides split during a civil war in 1949, and China considers Taiwan its own territory, to be brought under its control by force if necessary.

"The purchase of these weapons will enhance Taiwan's credible combat capabilities and asymmetric combat capabilities," Shih told reporters at a briefing, using a term for countering a much stronger foe with precision weapons and advanced tactics. "This will also enhance our overall combat capabilities to contribute to maintaining peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait."



23 May 2011: Flames engulf the launch truck as soldiers fire the

High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) produced by Lockheed Martin during combat training in the high desert of the Yakima Training Center, Washington. Photo credit: Tony Overman (The Olympian via AP file).

China announced on Monday 26 October 2020, through a foreign ministry spokesman, that it will impose sanctions on US companies, including Raytheon, Boeing and Lockheed Martin, for supplying weapons to rival Taiwan.

In Beijing, foreign ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin on Tuesday again accused The US of violating its commitments to China while bolstering the confidence of those such as the ruling Democratic Progressive Party of President Tsai Ingwen, who favor the island's independence from China.

Washington should "revoke the arms sale plan to Taiwan so as to avoid further damage

to China-US relations and peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait," Wang told reporters. "China will take legitimate and necessary measures to resolutely defend national sovereignty and security interests."

Taiwan has long been an irritant in US-China relations. Washington has no formal relations with the island's democratically elected government, but is its main ally. US law requires the government to ensure


Taiwan can defend itself. In recent years, weapons sales to the island have increased in both quantity and quality, as China builds the world's second most powerful military dedicated largely to defeating Taiwan and achieving its goal of annexation.

Stepped-up patrols by Chinese warplanes this year have put Taiwan's forces under greater strain, increasing the importance of developing new weapons systems or buying them from abroad.

Beijing regularly pressures American companies including Boeing in an effort to influence US policy. China is one of Boeing's biggest markets for commercial aircraft, which might make it vulnerable to a boycott, but China's defense ministry mentioned only Boeing's military arm, Boeing Defense, not its civilian jetliner business.



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

SKBHCV2016/0034

**ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED** - Applicant

and

**LEROY HUGGINS** - 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 Sir Lee Llewellyn Moore Judicial and Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 5 day of NOV 2020 at 3:45 o'clock in the forenoon.

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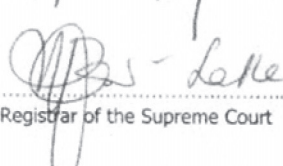
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# Trump's Trade War - What Was It Good For? Not Much

- Dr. Rebecca Ray, Boston University



When you push an opponent, he tends to push back.  
Photo credit: Ahn Young-joon (AP).

The 2016 election was a referendum on free trade, which many blamed for destroying millions of American manufacturing jobs. In 2020, it could be about the merits of trade wars.

During President Donald Trump's first term, he tore up deals, launched a trade war with China and renegotiated NAFTA. His campaign claims the war was a success and that his policies were bringing back manufacturing jobs- until the pandemic arrived - and so voters should give him another four years.

His Democratic rivals disagree.

"You lost that trade war," Senator Kamala Harris snapped during her debate with Vice President Mike Pence, citing the loss of 300,000 manufacturing jobs during Trump's presidency and bankrupt farmers.

So who's right?

As an economist who researches international economic policy I believe Trump's impulse to rethink trade policy was understandable. If free trade hurt American workers, it stands to reason that putting up barriers to trade - even being willing to "go to war" - might protect those workers.

But wars can backfire - and trade wars are no different.

## Free trade's losers

Economic theory tells us that free trade means a greater availability of cheaper goods because everything will be produced where it can be made least expensively.

That sounds like a great deal for consumers and exporting industries like agriculture that find more buyers for their products. But it's a raw deal for manufacturing workers as factories move to countries like Mexico and China with lower labor costs.

That's what happened after the North American Free Trade Agreement became law in 1994 and China joined the World Trade Organization in 2001.

In each case, manufacturing workers were among the big losers as employment in the sector plunged from just under 18 million in 1990 to a little over 14 million in 2004.

## The tide turns against trade

As a result, many politicians became more cautious about supporting free trade deals.

When he was a senator in 1993 former Vice President Joe Biden and many other Democrats voted

to ratify NAFTA. A little over two decades later, when a free trade bill with Central America and the Dominican Republic came up for a vote, Biden and nearly every Democrat voted no. The bill barely passed.

And although Biden's administration signed the Trans-Pacific Partnership in 2016 - which would have created the world's largest free-trade zone - opposition among leading Democrats as well as Trump imperiled its passage in the Senate, leading to The US's withdrawal in 2017.

When Trump launched his presidential campaign in 2016 opposition to trade deals like NAFTA was one of his signature issues. At a time when Republican leaders mostly were staunch supporters of free trade, his promise to bring manufacturing jobs back to The US helped him win the primary - and ultimately the presidency- as a growing number of voters began to see trade as bad for Americans.

And as president, he followed through on his pledge and unilaterally imposed tariffs on a range of Chinese products- a list that now totals US\$550 billion worth- as well as on most aluminum and steel imports. Thus, Trump's trade wars began.

My research with colleagues at Boston University shows that trade agreements have indeed hurt US workers. But Trump's trade wars have not solved the offshoring problem that they were designed to fix.

## The trouble with trade wars

Trump has claimed "trade wars are good and easy to win."

Trump seems to have based this on the assumption that America's trading partners would not retaliate. He was wrong.

Over many rounds of tit-for-tat China has retaliated repeatedly by placing tariffs on \$185 billion of US exports, most notably agricultural products. After US soybean farmers saw their largest market dry up, the Trump administration was forced to spend \$23 billion to offset some of their losses. All told, more than one-third of farm income will come from government subsidies in 2020.

When the Trump administration planned to impose steel tariffs on Canada earlier this year, America's northern neighbor vowed retaliation, which would have hurt US exporters. So Trump backed down.

That's the problem with trade wars. Intended to protect a country's own workers, they wind up doing a lot of self-inflicted damage, as retaliatory tariffs drive up the cost of exports, hurting businesses and workers at home as well as abroad.

At the same time US policy seems to have lost sight of the original enemy: the offshoring of American jobs, which has continued to grow. The 2017 tax cut, for example, actually made offshoring more profitable and attractive - making it even harder to achieve the primary goal of the trade war.

Trade wars pay off only if they have a clear vision and lead to meaningful changes in how everyone does business. That hasn't happened either.

While Trump did reach a "phase one" deal with China in January, it actually looks like it will make the offshoring problem even worse. As part of the truce, The US agreed to reduce its tariffs on Chinese goods and China said it would buy a lot more American products, especially soybeans.

While it may make up for some of the damage caused by the trade war - such as by aiding ailing soybean farmers - it will make offshoring easier by making it more advantageous and profitable for American companies to transfer operations to China. That's because China also agreed to stop requiring foreign companies that seek to do business within its borders to transfer technology to domestic partners.

## A better way to protect workers

One notable exception to all this is the US-Mexico-Canada Agreement, Trump's replacement for NAFTA that became law in July. That deal is likely to prevent more offshoring to Mexico because of bipartisan support for labor and environmental provisions that raise minimum Mexican automaker wages.

This points to one of the best ways to actually stop manufacturing offshoring: Negotiate trade agreements that set higher labor and environmental standards for all signatories. This not only helps workers and communities in other countries get better treatment, but also makes US workers more competitive by raising the cost of doing business there. That makes American companies less likely to move operations overseas.

The evidence suggests the best way to limit offshoring is through negotiation and cooperation, not war.

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## Paracetamol Poisonings Up

**Summary:** In 2003 the painkiller paracetamol became available in Switzerland in tablets with a higher dose of the active ingredient. This correlates with an increase in cases of paracetamol poisoning in the country, as a data analysis shows.

Paracetamol is a popular source of pain relief. In Switzerland, it is available over the counter in 500 milligram tablets, but also in double the dose, in 1,000 milligram (1 gram) tablets when prescribed by a physician. Researchers at ETH Zurich have now investigated whether the availability of the higher-dose tablets could be linked to the increased incidence of paracetamol poisoning, concluding that it is.

Paracetamol is the most widely used painkiller in the world. "It is a very safe drug, but only for short-term pain relief and as long as the daily dosage does not go above the recommended range," says Andrea Burden, Professor of Pharmacoepidemiology at ETH Zurich. For adults, the recommended maximum daily dosage is 4,000 milligrams (4 grams), which equates to a maximum of four of the high-dose tablets or eight of the lower-dose tablets. When overdosed, paracetamol can cause severe poisoning, even resulting in liver failure with fatal outcomes or the need for liver transplantation.

### It's important to consult a professional

"One problem with paracetamol is that it is not effective for all patients or against all forms of pain," Burden explains. "If the drug doesn't help to ease someone's symptoms, they may be tempted to increase the dosage without consulting a medical professional. That's the real problem," she says. This is also where the size of the tablets comes into play. It's very easy to exceed the maximum daily dosage by taking just a few extra of the 1,000 milligram tablets, whereas, with the lower-dose 500 milligram tablets, the risk of accidental overdose isn't as great, Burden explains.

Her recommendation is as follows: "We recognize that pain management is challenging, and other medications may have severe adverse effects. But, if paracetamol doesn't have the desired effect, it's important not to simply take more tablets. Instead, people should seek professional medical advice in order to find the best therapeutic option."

### Higher-dose tablets sell much better

People in Switzerland have had access to the 1,000 milligram paracetamol tablets since October 2003. Prior to that, the highest available dose was the 500 milligram tablets. Burden and her team analysed sales figures from the Swiss pharmacists' association Pharmasuisse and data from the Tox Info Suisse poison control centre on poisoning cases for the period before and after the higher-dose tablets were launched.

From the sales data, the scientists observed that the 1,000 milligram tablets had rapidly grown in popularity since their introduction. In 2005, the 1,000 milligram tablets outsold the 500 milligram tablets for the first time. Today, sales of the 1,000 milligram tablets are ten times those of the 500 milligram ones.

During the same period, the number of paracetamol poisoning cases reported to Tox Info Suisse had increased. After 2005, there was marked 40 percent increase in poisoning cases within three years, going from 561 cases in 2005 to 786 in 2008. "On that basis, we can conclude that the increased number of poisoning cases is associated with the availability of the 1,000 milligram tablets," says Stefan Weiler, co-author of the study and scientific director of Tox Info Suisse. In the following years, the number of poisoning cases continued to increase, to 1188 in 2018.

### Poisonings could be avoided

ETH professor Andrea Burden advocates for a critical review of how the 1,000 milligram tablets are prescribed and dispensed. "At the very least, packs of the 1,000 milligram tablets should contain a smaller number of tablets," she says. As evidence grows that paracetamol is not suitable for chronic pain management, there is little need to have pack-sizes of 40 or 100 tablets. She also says that physicians should prescribe the lower 500 milligram dose, which can be dose adjusted to reach the 1,000 milligrams by taking two tablets when necessary. This could minimize the risk of accidentally exceeding the daily limit.

By reducing the availability of the high-dose formulation, Burden believes that some of the poisoning cases could be avoided. In the meantime, she says pharmacists can help draw attention to the dangers of exceeding the daily maximum when providing these high-dose tablets to patients.

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## Pilot Killed As Taiwan Fighter Jet Crashes Into Sea

*Taiwan's air force said Thursday that a pilot had been killed in routine training, the second such incident in three months*



A Taiwanese pilot was killed Thursday after his fighter jet crashed off the island's eastern coast during routine training, the air force said, in the second fatal air crash in three months.

Pilot Chu Kuang-meng ejected from the F-5E jet after reporting an engine malfunction shortly after take-off, the air force said.

The 29-year-old was rescued from the sea unconscious but could not be revived.

The crash comes as Taiwan's aged and under-equipped air force is forced to meet an unprecedented level of incursions into its defence zone by Chinese fighters.

The island says it has scrambled its fighters at double the rate of last year in an effort to warn off Chinese jets.

Beijing views self-ruled democratic Taiwan as its own territory and has vowed to one day seize it back, by force if necessary.

Analysts say China's increased buzzing of Taiwan is a way to test the island's defence responses, but also wear out its fighters.

The F-5E is an older generation fighter with a design that dates back to the 1960s.

Air force chief of staff Huang Chih-wei told reporters that all F-5 fighters have been grounded for safety checks since the crash.

In July, two crew members were killed in a helicopter crash as Taiwan's military held drills across the island, including one simulating coastal assaults from China.

Taiwan has lived with the threat of invasion by China since the two sides split in 1949 after a civil war.

Beijing has piled military, economic and diplomatic pressure on Taiwan since President Tsai Ing-wen's election in 2016, in part due to her refusal to acknowledge its stance that the island is part of "one China".

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# Dr. Kennedy Alponse Simmonds, Dr. Denzil Llewellyn Douglas, Dr. Timothy Sylvester Harris, Prime Ministers: PART NINE

**“If your name is “Canoe” and you can’t float on water, you are useless. If they call you “Cutlass,” but you can’t chop any thing into pieces, you are a waste! You have a unique role; you are a brand! Do what you are created to do! -• Israelmore Ayivor**

**Dear Reader**, please to forgive me for returning to the 1980’s era, for that is when the political scenery changed with the loss of Constituency #2, after the death of Comrade Mr. Bradshaw and the voice of the Masses, for his successor was completely ignored. This memory cannot be completely passed over, for that is not the only time that the voice of the Masses went unheeded, causing the Labour Movement to be in Opposition today. I can say without any water in my mouth, that the greatest enemy to the Labour party were the new Leaders returning from university, who totally fail to lend an ear to the advice of those who attended the university of hard knocks and dry falls - “LIFE!” This university does not offer Degrees Diplomas or Certificates, but it provides it students with a wealth of experience, knowledge and wisdom which can tide them through the most destructive tsunamis.

When Dr. Denzil Llewellyn Douglas returned to St. Kitts in 1986, he met a Labour Party that had just lost the 1984 General Elections under Comrade Lee Llewellyn More, a brilliant lawyer and a mesmerizing orator, but not considered by many, people’s person. The 1989 General Elections saw Dr. Douglas winning his seat in # 6 Constituency and Sam Condor in #3 Constituency, representing the Labour Party in the Parliament where they came under forest blazing fire from the PAM and NRP Representatives, who held the majority seats then. None of us can see what tomorrow holds, so, it is very wise for us to keep a cool head today and to be very humble and polite in our dealings with others.

As Leader of the Labour Party in 1989, Dr. Denzil L. Douglas

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**By: Earle Clarke**

performed a masterly job in preparing his supporters to face the 1993 General Elections. He held meetings at Fair View Inn with the Senior men and with the senior women. He held meetings with the young men and with the young women. The Young Labour was vibrant and a force to be reckoned with. Every Labour supporter was an Impregnable Brimstone Hill Fortress of Purpose and Determination. Even before Dr. Simmonds rang the Election Bell, In Greek mythology, it is said, “Whom the gods love, they bestow favours upon them.”

Just let us take a peek into the beginning of the downward trend of Dr. Simmonds and PAM? In 1992, Michael Oliver Powell was unceremoniously kicked out of office as Deputy Leader of PAM, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Tourism and Labour. In 1994, Dr. William Billy Herbert our Ambassador Plenipotentiary

### LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District “A”

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Zovia Knight now residing in Lower Monkey Hill in the village of St. Peter’s, do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 31st day of December, 2020 to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Upper Cayon in Cayon Village.

Dated this  
20th day of October, 2020.

Signed: Zovia Knight

and Extraordinary (and I am not rejoicing eh), went missing while on a Sunday morning fishing expedition. Along with all this, an International Newspaper, dubbed us, “Devil’s Island!”•

Who is an Ambassador Plenipotentiary and Extraordinary? Such a person is like a Minister of government and possesses the power and authority to sign Treaties on behalf of the Government. Since Dr. Herbert, there has never been another Ambassador Plenipotentiary and Extraordinary and you know why, dear reader? Dr. Kennedy Alponse Simmonds was only the front man for PAM, which was a family organization. By the way, did you hear Jonel Powell is the only family member to be elected some 55 years after PAM was formed 1965-2020?

Has anyone ever known Jonel Powell by any name other than Jonel Powell? Weren’t you surprised to hear him at the Swearing In Ceremony, “I, Jonel HERBERT Powell, do swear?” The name HERBERT is the name of his grandfather, the Founder of PAM. Jonel was giving notice to all and sundry, that a HERBERT has arrived at last, to take over the Family Tree! Yes, all these happenings were prophecies that the end of PAM’S reign of TERROR was coming to an end and those prophecies became even more profoundly evident, when PAM, which had won the 1989 General Elections 6 to Labour’s 2, now ended the 1993 General Elections tied 4 - 4, thereby losing TWO of its seats.

As I said earlier in the Article, when Dr. Douglas became the Leader of the Party, it was transformed into an Impregnable Brimstone Hill Fortress of strength and courage. You see, Dr. Douglas had raised the consciousness of every Labour Supporter to the Superlative degree. He dwelt under the shadow of no one like Dr. Kennedy Simmonds did, under Dr. Billy Herbert; as granny would say, “He was his own man and he exhibited that manliness, that BORN TO BE A LEADER QUALITIES! THE SUPPORTERS were willing to follow him through the Tsunamis and the fiery furnaces.” When PAM was in power, the populace listened to the International News and read Newspapers about allegations of our Money Laundering Ambassador Plenipotentiary; we listened to the news which alerted us that his offices in Anguilla were frequently ransacked by the FBI, the DEA, Scotland Yard and that IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS were confiscated. We also learned that the USA objected to his being the Permanent Resident Ambassador to the United Nations.

He was removed as the Permanent Resident Ambassador to the United Nations and assigned as Ambassador to the OAS (Organization of American States). The populace also learned that Dr. Kennedy A. Simmonds’ sudden change of heart vis a vis Independence, was to assist the Ambassador, because Anguilla as a colony of Great Britain could be invaded at any time and our Ambassador’s offices could be ransacked at any time and season.

If St. Kitts became Independent, the Ambassador could move his offices here and avoid all those horrid experiences he is experiencing from those International Agencies. Dear Reader, when Dr. Simmonds held his first Town Hall Meeting at the Old Primary School near to the recreation ground in Sandy Point, an attendee asked him if this is a prelude to Independence, Dr. Simmonds replied, “Independence is the farthest thing from my mind.”

Other Town Hall Meetings followed that one at Sandy Point and then it was suddenly announced that we are going into Independence. The suspicion of the populace, that our Ambassador had to be protected at all cost by going into Independence, could have been true from the onset of the first Town Hall Meeting!

After the 4 - 4 tied 1993 General Elections, new Elections were called for July 4th 1995, in which, for the very first time, Kittitians displayed ZEALOUS and UNSELFISH PATRIOTISM for their country of BIRTH. When they boarded the Plane in the USA, they were wearing Yellow PAM shirts; when they Landed on our Airport, they were wearing RED Labour Shirts. When the PAM officials visited the Airport to GREET their supporters, they met Kittitians dressed in RED!

Each and everyone of them said that they had come to rescue their country from the STIGMA of “Devil’s Island”• People in the USA, kept throwing it in their face that they came from Devil’s Island: Labour won the 1995 General Elections 7 - PAM’S lone Candidate in Sandy Point “ Hugh Heyliger

**To Be Continued!**

# PAP. STEP AND STIMULUS MONEY

By: FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

Maybe it's me but I don't get the sense that too many of us are taking on the re-opening of the borders. I get the impression that most people have already concluded that save for wearing a mask, sanitizing our hands, social distancing and praying, there is precious little else to do.

More people are talking about the IMF projected 18.7% decline in the economy and the premier's utterances than the opening of the borders on the weekend.

I believe that having heard nothing but surplus after surplus after surplus and then to read the IMF project that our the economy of beloved federation will perform the worst in the region is the reason why so many persons are in total shock and disbelief.

Nobody was taking on Premier Brantley when he was bawling for Nevis. All when he was saying that his people were on the verge of dying "for hungry", persons like me thought that he was being melodramatic in order to force the prime minister to give him Nevis's due.

But it seems as if tings aren't just tight in Nevis. Tings are tight on the other side of the Narrows as well.

In short, money nuh dey and here is the evidence.

The September stimulus package was the absolute last one, I hear. The severance money taking long to pay. SCASPA workers pay cut by twenty five percent. People who were on PAP, STEP, the \$1000.00 stimulus and also getting PEACE money won't get PAP anymore, I hear. So stimulus gone and PAP gone. I think they will be quickly reinstated to prevent people from stealing other people's money from out of their handbags.

And that is why, I believe, the borders are being re-opened.

The government spent indecent sums of money to retain power and the recipients don't think that the free money has an end. All those surpluses can't be finished already. So all who got paid to vote a certain way are looking to be topped up regularly.

But in Team Unity's mind, paying people for a vote is like transactional sex. Nobody owes anybody after the agreed to sum is paid and the sex act is over. But some people thought that they were in a relationship. They thought that they would be getting the free money for as long as Unity was in power. After all, it was their vote that caused them to win.

Suddenly they hearing about double dipping. Suddenly they hearing that they can't be on STEP and get PAP. Suddenly they hearing that who left back on STEP after they wean the rest off Unity breast will be on government payroll and get a monthly salary instead of a weekly wage.

All sorts of new rules and regulations since elections done. Money was flowing like milk and honey back then. Now the breasts dry and the honey moving like molasses.

So the government is hoping that the open borders will raise billions of dollars for the Treasury and ease the pressure off the Social Security surplus.

In the meantime I await the re-opening of the borders this weekend armed with my Bible and my mask.



By Vigilante

\* Humpty Dumpty had was to plead wid de people dem in de embassy after dey decide dat dey not wukking wid de man.

\* Dey say is US\$20,000.00 a taxpayer money dat Humpty Dumpty give de man to fix he teet dem. So he say who ain't want wuk wid him is dey business. He done get he teet dem and he mout organise.

\* People in de know say dat is Humpty Dumpty who put up de people dem gainst de man. Dey say dat de lady stay harassing him dat she need to get away from Mable and from she present wuk because she ain't know she arse from she elbow.

\* She tell Humpty Dumpty dat if never for her and she wuk wid de corn pap all through de lock dung, Mable might not a bite her wid de younger lady.

\* She tell Humpty Dumpty dat he ain't look after her properly. He let Hammy monkey change lock on her and he ain't manners him for her. Dis big wuk in de states is she one. Plus she done buy she boots for de winter.

\* De street say dat de man pull he machete after Hammy monkey and run him outta de yard. Dey say dat Hammy monkey went go run de man offa de property but he end up had was to run for he life.

\* Dey say dat de house dem fulla mold and de door dem a rotten off. And even though dey is health risk, Hammy monkey wold to give dem out.

\* When people see de tief up in de tree, dey was wondering if he did hiding from de man or looking someting else to tief. And people want to know why dey letting him round chirren.

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**FAIR SHARE FOR ALL**

# West Indies confident as they fly out for Tour of New Zealand

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados - The members of the West Indies team based in the Caribbean departed from Barbados on Tuesday evening for the tour of New Zealand. All these squad members have completed COVID-19 tests and were all given a clean bill of health to travel.

On arrival in New Zealand, the squad will be based in Christchurch where they will quarantine before commencing training and warm-up matches. There are two squads, one for the three-match T20 International (T20I) Series and one for the two ICC World Test Championship matches which follow immediately afterwards. Six reserve players will travel with the Test squad to prepare and ensure replacements are available in case of any injury and, along with other members of the T20I squad, will form an 'A' Team to play two four-day matches concurrently with the Test team.

This is the West Indies second tour in 2020, the only international team to fulfil two away tours during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Johnny Grave, CEO of CWI, said the organisation is fully committed to ensuring the game thrives amidst the challenging environment.

"As the players and support staff depart on the journey to New Zealand, we wish them the very best - this is a very important tour for us as we build towards defending our ICC T20 World Cup title and also complete another series in the ICC World Test Championship. Fans all around the world have been missing their favourite sports, so we want to continue to play our part to bring joy and smiles to the faces of those who support and enjoy our cricket," Grave said.

"This itinerary and schedule took a lot of detailed planning and we want to thank everyone who played a part in putting it together. In the present COVID-19 environment everything requires great attention to detail. Our medical and logistics teams here have been working very closely with their counterparts in New Zealand to ensure everyone would be in a safe environment which is also conducive to exciting and entertaining cricket on the field."

Phil Simmons leads the coaching staff as Head Coach. The coaching staff includes Roddy Estwick, Monty Desai, Rayon Griffith, Andre Coley and Trevor Penny, as the Assistant Coaches.

The T20I Series will start with the defending World Cup champions facing the Black Caps at Eden Park in Auckland for a match under lights. The series then moves to Mount Maunganui for two matches at the picturesque Bay Oval - the first a day match and the second under lights. West Indies will then travel to Hamilton for the first Test at Seddon Park and then south to Wellington for the second match at the historic Basin

Reserve.

The T20Is will be the start of an 11-month schedule of matches building up to the ICC T20 World Cup, rescheduled for October 2021 in India. The opening contest at Eden Park will have added significance as this is the venue where the two teams met in their first T20I contest back in 2006. That match ended in a tie which forced a dramatic bowl-off, won by the home side. Three years later the teams met again at the same venue and played to another tie which was decided by the first ever T20I Super Over, won by the West Indies.

# HIGHPOINT

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current IMF projected 18.7% decline for St. Kitts and Nevis, highlighted in the Trinidad Guardian, we should be alarmed at this callous maltreatment of our country's finances by the persons we elected to cater for the betterment of our homeland. This is reckless and willful neglect and outright abuse of our country's finances and only highlights the greed and selfishness of these government ministers.

I use this platform to encourage us as a people to speak louder against such actions and condemn the individuals and structures that promote this form and any form of corruption.

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The St. Christopher & Nevis Social Security Board invites applications from suitably qualified persons to fill the post of **Administrative Assistant - Director's Office.**

#### APPLICANTS SHOULD POSSESS THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS AND JOB SKILLS

- Tertiary level training/education equivalent to bachelor's degree in Office Management or related field.
- Intermediate to advance proficiency in the use of Microsoft Office Suite: Word, Excel, Access, and Outlook.
- Knowledge of general office procedures.
- Must be dependable and reliable.
- Perform at a high level of integrity.
- Ability to communicate effectively both in writing and orally.
- Ability to complete multiple tasks within deadlines and perform in a fast-paced environment.
- Professional demeanour.

#### MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Receive and sort mail.
- Prepare and type correspondence.
- Maintain the accuracy of the record keeping system and ensure the maintenance of files.
- Maintain physical and electronic files of employees.
- Record minutes prepare agendas and maintain permanent and confidential records of meetings.
- Makes appointments and submit reminders for meetings.

A remuneration package commensurate with qualification and experience will be offered.

Applications with full curriculum vitae should be submitted no later than Friday, 06<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

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