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Editorial

Notes From Inaugural Speech Of New SKNLP Leader To Nation

On Wednesday 8 December 2021 Dr. Terrance Drew made his first broadcast address to the nation and the movement as Labour's new political leader.

This followed upon his election to that office at Labour's Special Conference held on Sunday 28 November 2021, in a transition which attracted complimentary and favourable comments from near and far, including from members on the government side of parliament.

In what supporters say is a stirring and most befitting manner Dr. Drew renewed his personal pledge to be the kind of leader.

He thanked his immediate predecessor, Dr The Right Honourable Denzil Douglas, for his many years of service, both as party leader and as prime minister of our beloved nation. He also promised to preserve and protect Dr. Douglas' legacy and record of accomplishments.

While calling for renewed and reinvigorated inputs and efforts from all sections and levels of the movement and the nation, he thanked all persons for their unstinting efforts to keep the movement on the upward trajectory and renewed his pledge to hold the present administration accountable as the SKNLP goes about to form the next

government.

Quoting the Good Book, he gave a reminder that a house divided cannot stand, and promised to lead in taking down the divided house on the other side.

Dr. Drew also promised to lead the nation away from the politics of divisiveness and rancour, while working unstintingly at achieving the full empowerment of our people by seeking for common ground through a bottom up approach.

As leader he is poised to bring together a dynamic team, representative of all levels of community, both from within and without the party. For the

leadership of the party, he has also promised to work at maintaining a team that is both multi-generational and balanced, exemplifying youth and experience, and that will also be at all levels.

It is especially worthy of note that Dr. Drew has openly committed himself to providing leadership based on the core principles of democracy, transparency, diversity, inclusiveness, gender equity, and accountability.

Of note is the commitment made to uphold the rights of workers in general, and of women and children in particular.

Many appear to rally around the SKNLP new leader as all eyes remain on political landscape in the Federation.

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Widely Debated Bubble Fencing At Port Zante To Be Taken Down

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Wednesday 8th December 2021)- Effective Saturday 11th December 2021, the fence barrier at Port Zante will be removed after more than two months since 14th September which attracted much public debate relating to the restrictive setup which allowed movement of only vaccinated individuals within the 'bubble' space which included some participating business places.

Information coming from the office of the Office of the Prime Minister - via a press release dated Wednesday 8th December 2021- indicates the reasoning behind the removal so as to make the area more accessible and allow for greater business activity.

"Effectively Saturday, 11th December, 2021, all fully vaccinated passengers 12 years and over arriving in St. Kitts and Nevis with a negative PCR test taken within 72 hours of arrival will no longer be required to undergo a quarantine period or further testing upon arrival. Additionally, the protective barriers that were erected at Port Zante for the safety of citizens and residents will be removed on Saturday, 11th

December, effectively making Port Zante more accessible to all and allowing for greater business activity," parts of the statement read.

It is said that both decisions on these two measures are based on the science and following the advice of local health experts, who are guided by reputable international agencies.

Government details says that after a review of its current policies and following several rounds of discussions with relevant health and tourism officials and representatives of the COVID-19 Task Force, the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis has taken a decision to ease two significant measures at the ports of entry.

More details outline that health authorities have advised that the Omicron variant appears to be less severe than the Delta variant. Based on the scientific knowledge of the Omicron variant and the high vaccination coverage in St. Kitts and Nevis, they recommend these measures can be implemented with minimal risks.

Meanwhile, Chairman of the National COVID-19 Task Force at the NEOC weekly briefing 8th December edition called for collective efforts to bring about a safe festive season.

"We're in a festive season and we know that we're celebrating the 50th Carnival celebrations, and we are hopeful that within the context of COVID-19. We are hopeful that persons can exercise the necessary safety precautions to be able to enjoy themselves at this time. Yes, we know that there are some measures to curb the potential for any outbreak for us to have any type of situation that would lead us into lockdown because we don't want to go back there. However, I am asking everyone to do their best, play their part..."

Samuel also echoed calls for individuals to get vaccinated noting that the Federation is doing well thus the bold steps to reduce some of the restrictions.

"...Do your best to vaccinate. We are doing well in the OECS thus the reason why we'll be taking some bold steps in reducing some of the restrictions that exist at this time so please continue to do your best to help us to get out of this pandemic. Let's turn this pandemic into an endemic for us here in St. Kitts and Nevis and we can only do so by continuing to vaccinate."

Front Page Photo: A look at an entry point of the barrier fencing at the western end of Port Zante on Thursday 9th December 2021 (Spokesman Snap)



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Police Get 187 Applications For Entertainment Events

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 9th December 2021)-Police have received a total of one hundred and eighty-seven (187) applications for entertainment events.

Chairman of the National COVID-19 Task Force Abdias Samuel in referring to such details, provided by his committee colleague Superintendent Cromwell Henry while speaking at the held on NEOC weekly press briefing held on Wednesday 8th December 2021, encouraged all entertainers and promoters not to advertise events until permission has been granted because such poses a challenge.

An appeal was made to all entertainers and promoters to give themselves time by applying within a reasonable time period before promoting events.

"My understanding is the authorities, the police is seeking your cooperation in this regard because we are seeing a lot of events being promoted and so most of these events are not approved; they have not been approved... and it poses a challenge therefore going forward in terms of giving you the fullest support if you continue with these practices and equally so we want you to continue that dialogue with the executive carnival committee."

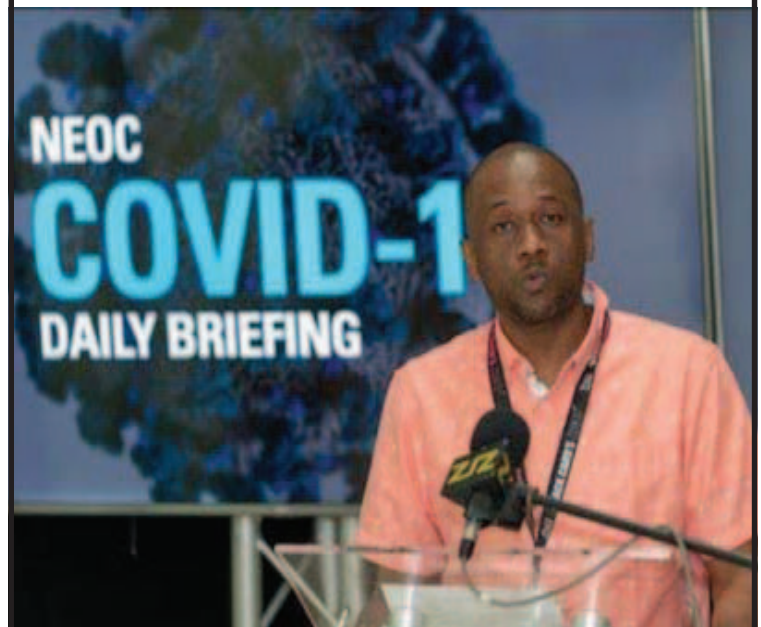
Samuel said the Task Force has had discussions on how to address the entertainment sector.

"As you are aware the present regulations gives the entertainment sector a 75% capacity to host events and we are asking the entertainers to exercise caution, follow the guidelines. You have our fullest support to carry out your activities."

He said "...Task Force members are human beings just like you, and they want to also enjoy some of the festive season but we want you to do so safely, follow the guidelines again, do your application through the police portal (police.kn) and what we also want to do in order to enhance carnival experience is to have entertainers work alongside with the carnival committee, the executive committee in hosting events."

Samuel pointed to the Carnival Acting noting "and we're asking persons to familiarize themselves with it and also familiarize yourself with the COVID-19 SR&Os so you could host these events safely."

According to him: "The Task Force in no shape or form is attempting to do anything or attempting to stop any type of events. Our job is to facilitate but facilitate it in a safe manner."



**Chairman of the National COVID-19 Task Force
Abdias Samuel**

Konris Maynard On Politics and Calypsonian: 'I'll Do Both'

By: Precious Mills

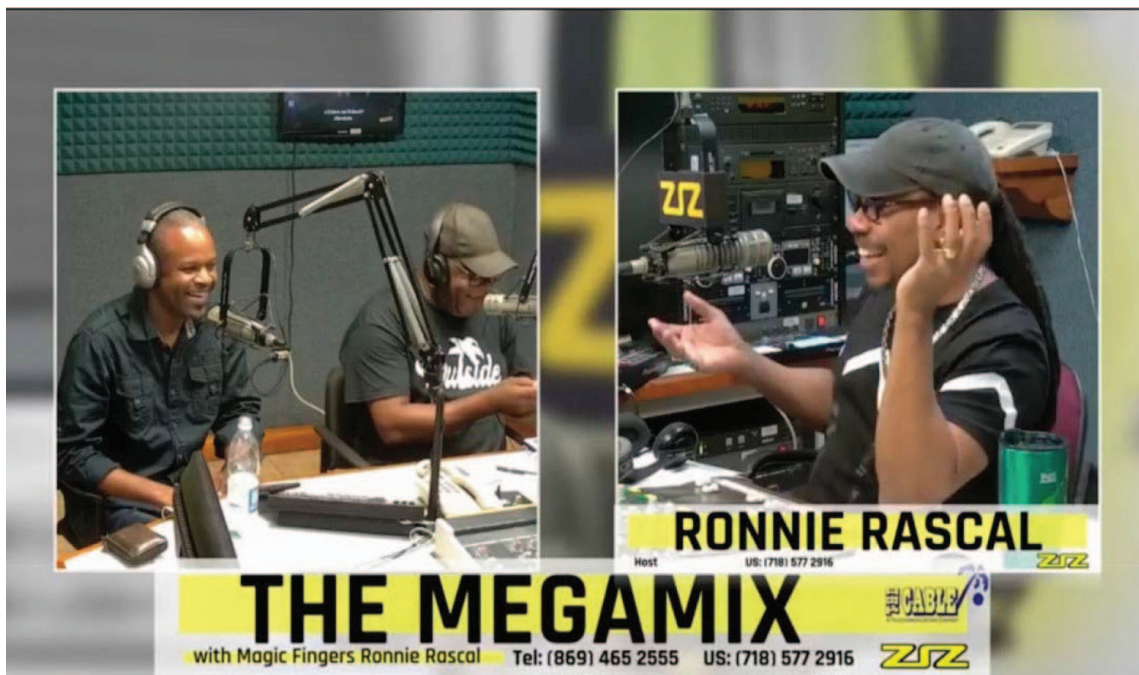
BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Friday 10th December 2021) - Konris Maynard intends to balance being both calypsonian and politician going forward.

"... they're telling me that I need to do both so what the people ask for is what you give them."

The St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party caretaker for Constituency Three who is one the two newly elected party deputy leaders expressed such sentiments during an interview with this media house ahead of the full release of his 'Jumping Up Again' calypso tune on Saturday 4th December 2021 on the MegaMix Show with Ronnie Rascal with guest host Clement 'Monarch' O'Garro on ZIZ Radio.

Song lyrics include: "You have the magic to make us jump again and wid all this stress in a de world we need music in we soul... Is everyone and they mother saying to me De man from #3 sing a song for me cuz when you hit de stage I'll be jumping up again..."

With a nine-year gap since releasing any new songs, he noted that "I was telling a couple friends today it's been nine year... nine years since I released a new song so my daughters who are 7 and 5, they have no clue about this thing..."



Calypsonian Konris 'King Konris' Maynard (left) seen inside ZIZ Radio studio on Saturday 4th December 2021 for the release of his new tune called 'Jumping Up Again' on the MegaMix Show with Ronnie Rascal (right) with guest host Clement 'Monarch' O'Garro. (Screenshot:Facebook/ZIZBroadcastingCorporation)

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Maynard, who is a former multiple-crowned Senior Calypso Monarch as well as Soca Monarch and also Road March title holder, also shared that "I have been performing still all over the place."

According to him: "Everything in the [new] song is what the fans have been telling me. This is the fans talking."

A teaser for 'Jumping Up Again' was shared via social media on Saturday 27th November- the day before the SKNLP Electoral Conference.

"When I released a sneak preview...I mean it was a big preview because it was the whole chorus of the song...a big preview last weekend, it was well received so now I have a task...I have to finish de song because people are anticipating something," he commented on live radio.

Maynard said the song is also about "having a good time and jumping up again."

In a previous interview-on Sunday 28th November -when asked by this reporter what he would say to those who missed him from the calypso arena, he replied: "Well you know, I had given a commitment to my constituents that I would be working hard on their behalf and I was showing all the effort there, and I think they have made it clear that they want me to put some effort there in calypso because it's a good way to communicate the message as well and so I just thought that I would put my attention and focus on that and see how that goes but they're telling me that I need to do both so what the people ask for is what you give them."

Further quizzed about whether fans and other supporters can be on the lookout for more from King Konris, he stated: "Absolutely, because I think they have made it very very clear to me that although they appreciate what I'm doing in terms of my political sojourns, they want to see my musical ability continue, and so they have made strong representation for that and as a man of the people, for the people, I have to listen to them so I give a commitment to continue serving in both areas so shortly I will be releasing the full version of that song so you could look out for it...maybe not more than a week."

Additionally, Maynard pointed out that the messaging in his songs "will continue along the same line [that is] country development, nation development, togetherness, moving as one, identifying our problems and how we can solve them, positive uplifting music that anyone can listen to whether you're a child, adolescent, an adult of elderly...that everyone can enjoy and jump up to...jump up again."

In relation to the SKNLP electoral conference, he congratulated the party for electing a new leadership team which includes the new National Leader Dr. Terrance Drew.

"We (the party) have gone through a process...but now it's time to move forward, we have one objective and so the work starts now to mobilise, to have cohesion in the party because I believe once we move together we will be unstoppable. I think this exercise has mobilized our support in the country. It is what people are talking about."

Maynard continued: "They are looking for a better alternative to what they have as a government and we are committed to delivering that for the people of St.Kitts and Nevis. There are too many people who are hurting, too many people don't know where they're going to get their next dollar from, their next meal or how they're going to survive over the long term and so we want to be able to present a strong and cohesive message to the general public that we are going to be much better than we have right now."

'Unstoppable Force', 'By De Breath', 'Finish De Songâ' and 'Sunday J'ouvert' are some of the hits for King Konris.

He has won six Senior Calypso Monarch competitions which includes a four-peat win for the period 2005 to 2008.

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Singing Jackie Voices Concern Over Vaccination Policy While Recalling Escape From Childhood Bullying Through Calypso

By: Precious Mills

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 9th December 2021)- Well-Known veteran calypsonian Jacqueline 'Singing Jackie' Leader is of the view that "we are not in a thing together here" as it relates to a general policy which does not allow the participation of the unvaccinated in the Senior Calypso Monarch Competition for Sugar Mas 50.

Appearing on Freedom FM's 'Island Riddims' with host Maurice 'EK' Flanders aired on Monday 6th December 2021, she voiced her concerns as an entertainer in the calypso arena who has been involved since the 1970s as a teenager as she praised the art form for helping her "to get away from the bullying that I got in school."

Other unvaccinated calypsonians Big Lice, Glenroy Blanchette, Phonsie and Lady Composer were in the Freedom FM studio as well that day sharing their concerns likewise on the topic.

"I catch a plane come up here to hear that I can't sing; somebody who has been in this thing, and you all telling me bout in dis thing together? We are not in a thing together here!" she expressed.

This media house understands that Leader resides overseas where she is employed as a history teacher.

According to Singing Jackie: "I think more than anybody else, this one cuts me to the core because my first time missing for a long time was last year and it was because of COVID...so I could not come even if I wanted to, and I felt really proud that St.Kitts was able to do that, and I listened from beginning to end because calypso...after teaching is calypso."

As understood, this time around she got permission from her bosses in arranging to conduct the ongoing virtual classes while being out of the country.

"That was the first thing because I had to make arrangement with my job because we're virtual still so I was able to work out

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Singing Jackie alluded to her getting the relevant information as it relates to the National Carnival Committee side of things and also made reference to a contract which calypsonians had signed.

"I went ahead and I continued to ask if they're going to allow the unvaxxed...because I'm unvaxxed and I'm proud that I'm unvaxxed because I don't see why people's personal health business has to become John public's own. I made sure that I follow all the protocols."

She continued: "So I made the arrangement after getting the go ahead that unvaxxed would be allowed to take part so I booked my flight...the hotel; I don't mind all the protocols that they asked for...it costs money, and then after I've done all of that I got a message saying we want to know if you're vaxx or unvaxxed.. I asked-because I'm on the other line I'm overseas-and I asked her if this is to stop the unvaxxed from participating she said 'No, no, no, no we're just checking who vaxx and unvaxx'... I kept asking and I asked different people who will rename nameless so I went ahead and did my recording;

did everything only to hear after the first tent that they're asking for more than what they asked for."

Singing Jackie continued: "My thing is the principle of the thing. Imagine, you did not put it in no form or fashion inside of that contract..."

According to her: "It leaves a bitter taste, and anybody who is out there listening and condoning this, I say whoa beyond to us. You know I teach history, and the more I see this vaccine thing playing out, the more my soul cringe because I know what black people went through and the worst part of it is our own black people doing it to us now..."

Singing Jackie addressed "these younger calypsonians" whom she said "It's the sugar cake[the money]...they don't care about anyone else... and they're not seeing the principle of the thing."

"That thing hurt me to the core because I am one of the few remaining calypsonians who came back from the 70s as junior right up to now..." she added.

In recalling being bullied as a child, she linked the positive impact of calypso in her life.

"I don't know what calypso mean to you all here but I started this thing since I was a teenager, and calypso took me out of depression as a child. Let me tell you bullying and thing was going on long time in my day...I used to be bullied in school because of my relatives..."

Singing Jackie went on further to say: "I used to have some uncles who used to get in trouble every time weekend comes and I am telling you I hated going school the Monday because my peers would tell me about it...and they would say 'Move from her before she cuts you up'...nobody knows ...and you know what took me out of that? Calypso! That's how I started writing; looking at other people's problems and burying mine. Calypso did that for me. That is how I started to get away from the bullying that I got in school. And then you going come tell me a new massa is here telling us we can't sing?!"

She also noted that women were the ones pushed calypso whilst adding "I have read and researched."

The two-day eliminations for the Senior Calypso Monarch Competition is slated for Friday 10th and Saturday December.

Front Page Photo: An official National Carnival December 2012 photo captures Singing Jackie in action on stage belting out the tune 'The Kittitian In Me' in round one for the Senior Monarch Competition Finals following which she placed second runner up. That competition was won by King Konris.(credit: Facebook/SKNCarnival)

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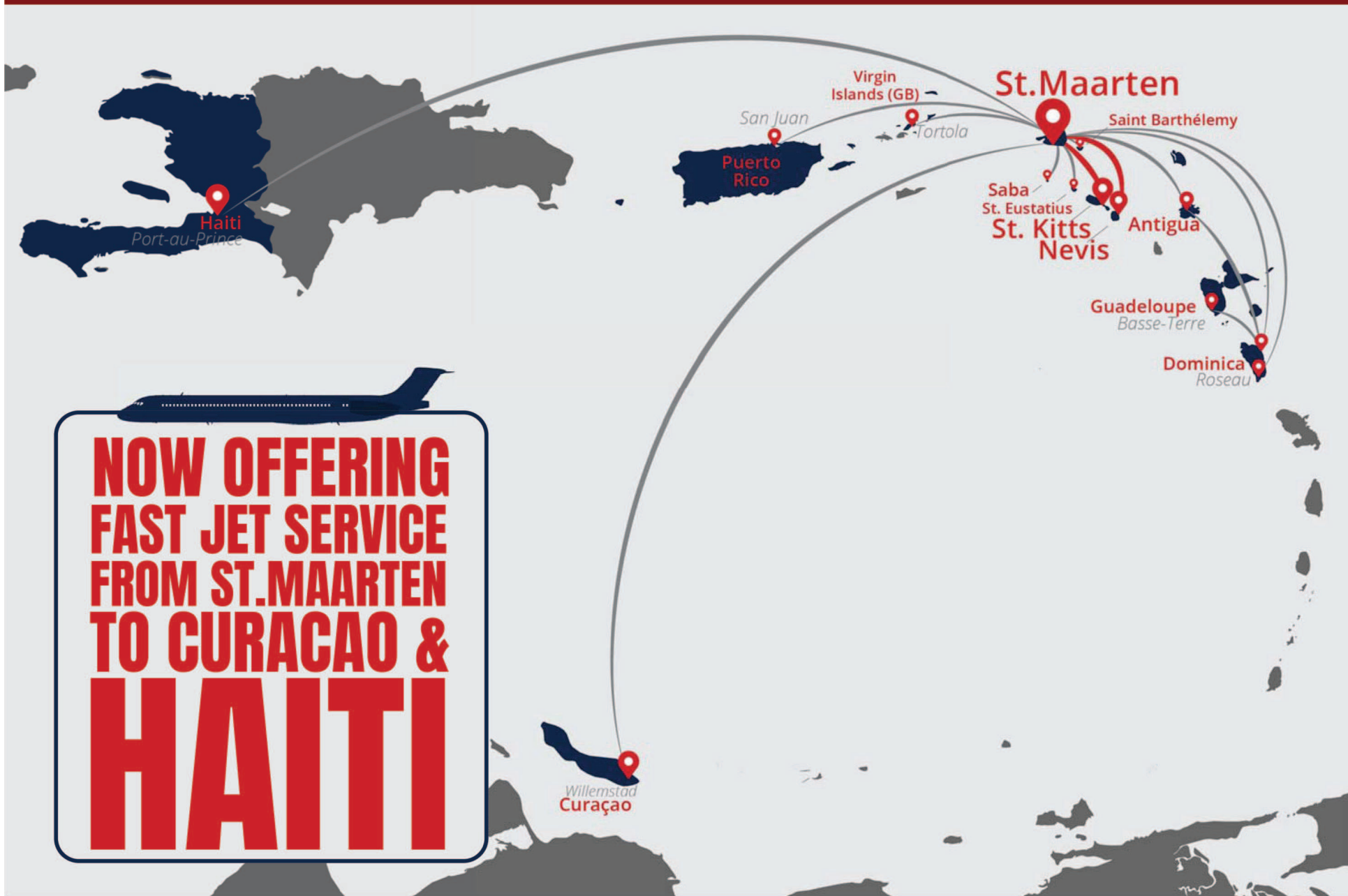
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FARMERS FIELD SCHOOL TRAINING UNDERWAY AT FAHIES OUTREACH CENTER

(Basseterre, St. Kitts, December 5, 2021):

Several young farmers are currently participating in a 6-month Farmers Field School (FFS) training program which offers farmers a platform to exchange knowledge and perform practical experiments, allowing them to develop their cultivation skills.

The agricultural crop production training initiative which is being held at the Fahies Outreach Center in Newton Ground, is a joint initiative between the FAO and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Marine Resources.

This week the training focuses on lessons found in Agro Ecosystem Analysis (AESA). Since the health of a plant is determined by its environment, this AESA process involves small groups of participants collecting data from field studies, discussing the findings, and arriving at an agreement for Integrated Pest Management (IPM) crop management while using the information gathered as the basis for field management decisions.

In an interview with the Ministry of Agriculture's Media and Communication Unit on Monday, Crop Extension Officer in the Department of Agriculture who is responsible for District 3, Dion Weekes said that the training will see the implementation of over 5000 root and tuber crops that were recently procured by the government and distributed to local farmers who would then be able to grow the crops at their own farms.

"We decided to put down a Farmer Field School Project with some of the materials that we brought in; mainly Eddoes and Tannia which we had to do some mini sets and cut them up to plant and so we selected certain young farmers who haven't been involved in the crop before and decided to take the Field School to give them an experience of producing the crop and at the end they would be able to reap the crop and carry the crop to their farm in a different area in the district", Weekes explained.

Meanwhile, Facilitator and Crop Extension Officer with responsibility for District 1, Lionel Stevens gave his perspective on the training and explained how the Farmers Field School contributes to the reduction of imported roots and tuber crops.

Stevens said, "it is a project that the Department has undertaken to try and increase our production of these root tubers seeing that we import them heavily on a weekly basis more so from the neighbouring islands. This Field School is an



attempt to broaden farmer's knowledge of the production of these crops and it would be undertaken here at Fahies which is an area where

we receive quite a good volume of rainfall so it's kind of ideal to aid in the production of these root tubers. This is an area where we have the Outreach Center here as well, where we do trial for different crops and is trials based on rain fed conditions knowing that the volume of rain that this area receives.

Stevens also used the opportunity to invite other farmers to participate in the ongoing training.

"As it pertains to the Field School, we want to encourage young farmers in the area, farmers who are experienced or also farmers who want to gain further knowledge in this particular area of production. With our first experience with the Farmer's Field School, the crop in question was cabbages. We did quite a few Field Schools where we focused on cabbage production, so now this is a shift in terms of using that same initiative but transferring the knowledge to different crops. We just want to encourage farmers to come on and be part of it and acquire the knowledge that is being offered", he expressed.

The experiences that farmers gain from this interactive and participatory "learn by doing approach" will give them the opportunity to increase yields, multiply their income and ultimately improve their livelihoods.



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Dr. Gene Leon to Mark International
Anti-Corruption Day

December 09, 2021, BRIDGETOWN, Barbados - Today is International Anti-Corruption Day, the global observance of which is led by the United Nations. The theme for 2021 is "Your right, your role: say no to corruption".

Earlier today, the Secretary General of the United Nations, Antonio Guterres, stated that "Corruption betrays people, drains resources and weakens democracies. Anti-Corruption Day highlights the need for us to take a stand for integrity, promote justice and demand accountability."

CDB completely supports the International Anti-corruption Day campaign for 2021 and stands in solidarity with other international organisations in observing this day. Beyond this annual commemoration, the Bank remains fully committed to promoting good governance in its own operations and in our Borrowing Member Countries (BMCs); and to combatting corruption in all its forms. This is in alignment with Goal 16 of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which speaks to the building of "effective, accountable and inclusive institutions".

Internally, the Bank demonstrates its commitment to good governance through the ongoing work of its Office of Integrity Compliance and Accountability (ICA), which manages the risks posed by wrongdoing, including corruption, money laundering, terrorist financing, and cybercrime while helping the Bank to meet its fiduciary duty through training and capacity building. ICA also spearheads CDB's outreach to our BMCs which centres on fostering and promoting strong governance practices as a means of facilitating sustainable economic growth.

In this regard, CDB was pleased to host the second annual Caribbean Conference on Corruption, Compliance, and Cybercrime on December 7 and 8,

2021. Popularly known as the 3Cs Conference, the event was held under the theme "Ending Poverty and Driving Growth: Promoting Good Governance by Curbing Corruption, Money Laundering and Cybercrime in the Caribbean."

The Conference agenda was designed to support the elevation of good governance to standard practice for regional institutions. The event provided an opportunity to increase awareness about the negative impacts of corruption and highlight how malpractices such as money laundering, cybercrime, bribery and nepotism can derail the region's sustainable development agenda. It was also a forum for knowledge sharing and collaboration to support our BMCs in identifying, instituting and enhancing fit-for purpose accountability and compliance mechanisms which can safeguard access to financing and enable the most effective use of external funding and other resources.

In my keynote address to the Conference, I emphasised that embracing good governance is a choice which can build or break credibility. I also encouraged regional governments and organisations to make governance the pedestal of credibility by fostering adherence to the rule of law, establishing and maintaining effective legal and regulatory frameworks, and by pursuing anti-corruption policies that promote trust and build integrity. As we observe International Anti-Corruption Day let us, as leaders and citizens of the region, practice and uphold these beneficial practices. Then, we can truly transform the Caribbean into sustainable, resilient, and inclusive economies where the citizens enjoy security, health, and sustainable livelihoods.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
(PROBATE)
A. D. 2021

In the Estate of INEZ EDINBOROUGH late of
Main Street, St. Pauls in the Parish of St. Pauls in the
Island of St. Christopher deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PROBATE

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **THE RIGHT HONOURABLE DR. DENZIL LLEWELLYN DOUGLAS** of Main Street, St. Pauls in the Parish of St. Pauls in the Island of Saint Christopher for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 28th day of October, 1999 without revoking a will bearing the date of 6th day of January, 1994 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 20th day of July, 2021

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

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

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2016/0034

IN THE MATTER of Section 92 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10:19
and
IN THE MATTER of the sale of the property comprised in Certificate of Title dated 22nd day of July, 2003 and registered in Book C3 Folio 382 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of LEROY HUGGINS

BETWEEN

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

and

LEROY HUGGINS
- Respondent

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A NEW DATE OF SALE

I, SARNE GLASFORD of Mattingley Heights, in the Island of Saint Christopher, being duly sworn make oath and say as follows: -

- That this Affidavit is Supplementary to the Affidavit dated and sworn on the 18th day May of 2021.
- That I make this Affidavit on behalf of the Applicant in relation to the Application for a new date of sale at a reduced upset price in respect of the Respondent's property located at Verchilds Village comprised in Certificate of Title dated the 22nd day of July 2003 and registered in Book C3 Folio 382.
- That I am a suitable and impartial property appraiser approved by the Applicant financial institution and authorized by the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank ("ECCB") to prepare appraisals in St. Kitts and Nevis. A copy of the list of approved Appraisers for financial institutions under the Banking Act per territory is now shown and produced to me and marked "SG2".
- That I am aware of and have met the Valuation Prudential standards for Licensed Financial Institutions issued under the Banking Act by the ECCB and my exhibited appraisal is submitted for the purpose of appraising the subject property pursuant to the said ECCB Standards and assisting the Honourable Court as an independent expert, ever mindful of my duties under Part 32 of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court Civil Procedure Rules.

AND I make this Affidavit honestly and conscientiously knowing its contents to be true and correct.

SWORN at the Registrar's Office)
Basseterre, St Kitts, this 18th day)
of October, 2021)

BEFORE ME:

COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS
ST. CHRISTOPHER & NEVIS

This Affidavit is filed on behalf of the Applicant St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank Limited by Natika M. Rawlins, its Solicitor.

CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK NEWS RELEASE

December 9, 2021

CDB to fund Haiti's insurance against natural hazards

The Board of Directors of the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) has today approved funding for the full premium for natural hazard insurance for Haiti. The Bank is providing US\$6.9 million as a grant on a one-time request by the Haitian Government to cover the premium of the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility Segregated Portfolio Company (CCRIF SPC) for the period 2021/22.

"Haiti faces serious challenges due to the combined shocks of natural disasters, the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change,

political instability, and the heightened insecurity in several parts of the country, which contribute to financial uncertainty. The Caribbean Development Bank is supporting the Government and people of Haiti as they negotiate these times of unprecedented challenges," said CDB Vice-President of Operations, Isaac Solomon.

Haiti suffered its latest disaster in August this year, with the occurrence of a 7.2 magnitude earthquake, epicentred in the southwest peninsula, close to Les Cayes. The event resulted in 2,248 deaths while 12,763 persons sustained injuries and 329 persons are missing. More than

52,950 houses were destroyed, and over 77,000 were damaged in the three most affected areas Sud, Grand Anse and Nippes. In total, some 690,000 persons were displaced.

This event triggered the largest single pay-out by CCRIF SPC, with a total of US\$40 million.

Having been a member of CCRIF SPC, co-founded by CDB, since its start in 2007, Haiti partly covered its annual insurance premium since 2018. However, the Haitian Government is unable to contribute to the payment of the CCRIF SPC premium this policy year due to the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic among other social and economic challenges.

CCRIF SPC has enabled CDB's Borrowing Member Countries to purchase catastrophe risk insurance at 40-50% less than the cost they would incur had they approached the insurance market individually.

Haiti is ranked among the world's most hazard prone countries, being at risk for hurricanes, storms, floods, droughts, earthquakes, and landslides. Having been affected by numerous major natural disasters, Haiti lost an estimated 2% of annual gross domestic product on average between 1976 and 2020 while nearly three in four households were economically impacted by at least one shock annually.

The Bahamas launches new Decent Work Country Programme

News | 07 December 2021



7 December 2021 (Nassau, The Bahamas) — The Commonwealth of The Bahamas has become the first Caribbean country to launch a second-generation Decent Work Country Programme (DWCP). The historic milestone was achieved on 6 December during a high-level ceremony attended by senior officials from the Government, employers' organizations, workers' organizations, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the United Nations (UN).

The five-year DWCP, which extends until 2026, was developed between 2020 and 2021 through a series of consultations with tripartite constituents and other key stakeholders led by the National Tripartite Council (NTC). Due to COVID-19 measures, the development of this new Programme was entirely virtual - another first in DWCP history.

Throughout the development process, the team engaged in social dialogue to identify and agree on a roadmap for arriving at innovative solutions to three national priority areas: jobs and skills, social dialogue and governance. The issues will be addressed by the DWCP in the context of a human-centered recovery from the COVID-19 crisis that is sustainable, inclusive, and resilient. It will also be implemented against the backdrop of the long-term effects of Hurricane Dorian, which caused widespread socio-economic devastation to The Bahamas in 2019.

"The COVID-19 pandemic may have affected all our plans to accomplish great things, but we are here today because there was and remains a continuous belief by your Government and the social partners represented here that the objective of achieving decent work for The Bahamas is indeed an achievable goal," said Mr. Dennis Zulu, Director of the ILO Decent Work Team and Office for the Caribbean.

Other keynote speakers represented the country's tripartite partners who worked together over the last year to establish their country's second DWCP, including:

- The Honourable Philip Edward Davis, Prime Minister of The Commonwealth of The

Bahamas;

- The Honourable Keith Bell, Minister of Labour and Immigration;

- Mr. Robert Farquharson, Director of Labour;

- Mr. Bernard Evans, President, The National Congress of Trade Unions of The Bahamas;

- Mrs. Khrystle Rutherford-Ferguson, Chairman of The Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers' Confederation; and

- Mr. Obie Ferguson, President of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas Trade Union Congress.

"Over the past 45 years, the ILO has developed a longstanding programme of cooperation with the Bahamian society and the Bahamian social partners. And they have worked in close partnership with the Government of The Bahamas to address decent work challenges faced by us," said the Honourable Philip Edward Davis, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas. "In preparation for the development of The Bahamas Second Generation Decent Work Country Programme, the Ministry of Labour in conjunction the NTC and the ILO Decent Work team will be focusing on consulting with the social partners, and other national and regional stakeholders to ensure the widest public consultation. As we execute this historic Memorandum of Understanding today, it signifies my Government's commitment to social dialogue and our steadfast desire to work with our social partners in national development."

"Today is indeed a milestone for the workers of The Bahamas and a beacon of hope for the region. We are here to sign and launch The Bahamas' second Decent Work Country Programme, thus solidifying the true commitment of the social partners - namely Government, workers and employers - which reflects the framework of the ILO for proper dialogue," said Mr. Bernard Evans. "It would be wise to note that decent works plays a central role in the development of The Bahamas as defined by our own bipartisan and collective Vision 2040, The Bahamas national plan, which aligns itself with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals."

"In a time when countries are having to grapple with having to rebuild and to come back from everything, they have experienced because of COVID-19, it follows that a conversation regarding economic recovery and growth will shortly ensue," said Mrs. Khrystle Rutherford-Ferguson. "One fundamental truth exists as a result of that: there can be no recovery, no growth, no development of industries without employers, without workers, without the persons that represent their interests. And as a result of this truth, the strategic planning and mutual acceptance of priorities and objectives that guide these relationships is paramount. I look forward to the outcome of today's launch and the discussions that will follow as a result of this Programme."

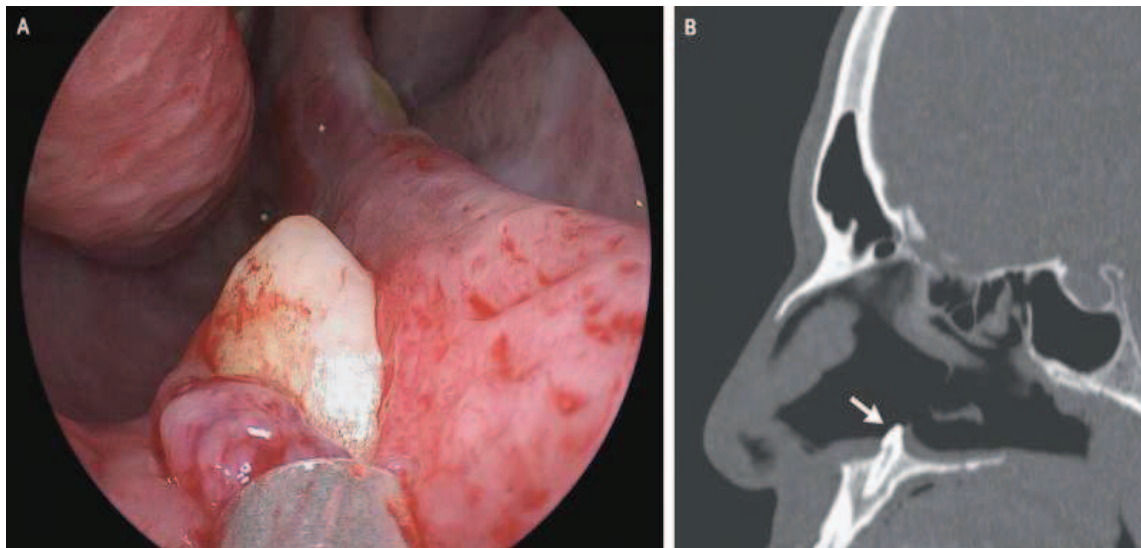
"Decent work is productive work in which rights are protected,

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MedicalXPress - Dentistry - Report - 7 December 2021

Doctors Find Tooth Growing Inside A Patient's Nose

By Bob Yirka



Actual and X-Ray imagery of ectopic tooth growing in a man's nose. Credit: The New England Journal of Medicine.

A 38-year-old male patient complaining of difficulty breathing through one of his nostrils for several years was found to have an ectopic tooth growing in his nose.

In their paper published in The New England Journal of Medicine physicians Sagar Khanna and Michael Turner describe how the tooth was identified and what they did to fix the problem.

Reports of ectopic body parts are extremely rare. They are defined as body parts growing in places where they normally do not grow. The most common type of ectopic growth

involves teeth. And in most cases of ectopic tooth development, a canine is involved. Typically, it grows in the wrong direction in the upper jaw.

In this new case, the doctors first found a deviated septum along with calcified septal spurs. After taking a closer look during rhinoscopy, in which a camera is introduced into a nostril, the doctors found what they described as a white object protruding from the wall of the right nostril.

The doctors then opted to X-ray the object and the area around it. The images showed it to be an ectopic tooth that had grown upward from the jaw rather than down into the mouth, as is the usual case. The doctors suggested surgery and the patient agreed. The tooth was extracted with no complications.

The patient came back later for a follow-up and doctors found the wound had healed properly and there was no evidence of infection or new tooth growth. Also, the patient reported being able to breathe freely once again.

The doctors note that it is important for people with ectopic body parts to see their doctor - not doing so can result in damage to surrounding tissues. And ectopic teeth can push other teeth out of the way, leading to crooked teeth or gaps. Also, there have been instances of cysts forming on or near such body parts, which can grow to become painful.

But the doctors also note that ectopic teeth are extremely rare, occurring in just 0.1% of all people. And it is even more rare for an ectopic tooth to grow all the way up into the nasal cavity or the nose itself.

More information: Sagar Khanna et al, Ectopic Tooth in the Nose, New England Journal of Medicine (2021). DOI: 10.1056/NEJMicm2112363

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WHO Warns Fears Of Omicron Could Spark New Vaccine Hoarding

By Jamey Keaten



Used syringes seen in a bin at Swaminarayan School vaccination centre, in London, UK on Saturday 4 December 2021. Photo credit: Alberto Pezzali (AP file).

GENEVA (AP) - The World Health Organization (WHO) expressed concerns Thursday that rich countries spooked by the emergence of the omicron variant could step up the hoarding of COVID-19 vaccines and strain global supplies again, complicating efforts to stamp out the pandemic.

The UN health agency, after a meeting of its expert panel on vaccination, reiterated its advice to governments against the widespread use of boosters in their populations so that well-stocked

countries instead can send doses to low-income countries that have largely lacked access to them.

“What is going to shut down disease is for everybody who is especially at risk of disease to become vaccinated,” said Dr Kate O’Brien, head of WHO’s department of immunization, vaccines and biologicals. “We seem to be taking our eye off that ball in countries.”

Months of short supplies of COVID-19 vaccines have begun to ease over the last two months or so, and doses are finally getting to needier countries - such as through donations and the UN-backed COVAX program - and WHO wants that to continue. It has long decried “vaccine inequity” by which most doses have gone to people in rich countries, whose leaders locked down big stockpiles as a precautionary measure.

“As we head into whatever the omicron situation is going to be, there is risk that the global supply is again going to revert to high-income countries hoarding vaccine to protect - in a sense, in excess - their opportunity for vaccination, and a sort of ‘no-regrets’ kind of approach,” O’Brien said.

“It’s not going to work,” she added. “It’s not going to work

from an epidemiological perspective, and it’s not going to work from a transmission perspective, unless we actually have vaccine going to all countries, because where transmission continues, that’s where the variants are going to come from.”

Some wealthy governments want to leave no stone unturned to get their populations as close to full vaccination as possible.

Many questions remain about the severity, transmissibility and resistance to vaccines of the new omicron variant, which emerged last month in southern Africa and has shown early signs of spreading faster than the widespread and deadly delta variant driving the pandemic now.

O’Brien urged a “rational, global perspective” about “what’s actually going to shut down this pandemic.”

“We have the tools at hand, we have the choices we can make, and the next days and weeks are really going to determine what direction the world decides it’s going to go in, on omicron,” she said.

Nevertheless, WHO says individuals in rich countries should follow the policies of their governments, some of which are enticing people to get boosters, which are additional doses aimed to buck up immunity from earlier jabs that wanes over time.

“An individual in a country, their dose is not going to get shipped to another country because they don’t take the dose,” O’Brien said. “It is country governments, not individuals, who are making decisions that could influence the equitable distribution of vaccines to other countries.”

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THE CONVERSATION (Academic rigour, journalistic flair) - Edition: UK - Health & Medicine - 7 December 2021

Cuba's COVID Vaccines - The Limited Data Available Suggests They're Highly Effective

By Dr Michael Head, PhD, University of Southampton

The country appears to have created two highly protective jabs - though rigorous data on their testing still needs to be seen.



A view of bottled dosages of Cuba's Abdala Covid19 vaccination. Photo credit: Yander Zamora (EPA-EFE).

The western world has written plenty about its high-profile COVID vaccines: the mRNA products of Pfizer and Moderna, viral-vectored jabs from AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson, and those that are just emerging, such as Novavax's protein-based vaccine. Many countries are relying on them for protection.

But not Cuba. It's been quietly working on its own vaccines, immunising its population and selling doses abroad.

Cuba's vaccine efforts have maintained a relatively low profile in the west to date. Politics may well be a reason. The US embargo against Cuba that began in the cold war is still in effect, and tensions between the countries remain high.

But for those familiar with Cuba, its COVID vaccine development should come as no surprise - the country has a long history of manufacturing its own vaccines and medicines. Nor should it be surprising that two of its COVID vaccines - Abdala and Soberana 02 - appear to have performed very well in trials. Here's how they work.

Abdala is a protein subunit vaccine, which is a well-established design. The hepatitis B vaccine and Novavax COVID vaccine use this approach. These vaccines work by delivering just a portion of the virus that they're targeted against - in the case of Abdala, bits of the coronavirus's spike proteins, which cover its exterior.

The proteins used in the vaccine aren't taken from the coronavirus directly. Instead, they're grown in cells of a yeast (*Pichia pastoris*) that have been specially engineered.



Cuba has long punched above its weight when it comes to healthcare and biotechnology. Photo credit: Ernesto Mastrascusa

(EPA-EFE).

On their own, the portions of spike protein are harmless. But when the immune system encounters them, it still trains itself to recognise and destroy them. If the full coronavirus is then encountered in the future, the body will attack these outer parts of the virus and quickly destroy it. Abdala is given in three doses.

The other Cuban COVID vaccine, Soberana 02, uses a "conjugate" design, along the lines of meningitis or typhoid vaccines. It contains a different part of the spike protein to Abdala and generates an immune response by attaching (conjugating) this to a harmless extract from the tetanus toxin. When the body encounters these linked together, it launches a stronger immune response than it would to either alone.

Soberana 02 is produced in hamster ovary cells, a process that can be slow, and this may restrict large-scale manufacturing.

Originally, it was given as two doses, but researchers later identified that a third dose would be beneficial. This booster dose contains just the spike protein parts, without the tetanus toxin, and is known as "Soberana Plus".

How effective are they?

Both vaccines have been approved by the Cuban regulator, though they started being rolled out in May - before authorisation had been granted - in response to a rise in cases. There have been concerns about a lack of information on their safety and efficacy.

On 1 November 2021 a preprint (research still awaiting review) was finally published of a Soberana phase 3 trial that included 44,031 participants. The results suggest that two doses of Soberana 02 with a booster of Soberana Plus are together 92% protective against symptomatic COVID. The preprint notes that during the trial, the vaccine was most likely being tested against beta or delta - two variants of the coronavirus that other vaccines have found harder to control.

Before this, a phase 1 study of giving Soberana Plus to people who had already had COVID was published in September. This was testing the effects of Soberana Plus as a booster to natural rather than vaccine-induced immunity. It showed no safety issues and stimulated a good immune response when used in this way - though the study was small, involving just 30 participants.

For Abdala, the only phase 3 trial data available was issued by Cuban press releases in June and July 2021. The three-dose schedule is also reportedly 92% protective against symptomatic COVID as well as allegedly fully protective against severe disease and death.

This generated huge enthusiasm within Cuba. However, since then little further information has been made publicly available.



Cuba's vaccine COVID coverage is among the best in the world. Photo credit: Yander Zamora (EPA-EFE).

Around 90% of Cuba's 11 million people have received at least one dose of a COVID vaccine, with 82% considered fully vaccinated, and it appears Cuba is vaccinating children as young as two. Both Abdala and Soberana have been used, with around 8 million people receiving three doses of Abdala.

Following a big spike in cases in August 2021 - when the country's vaccine coverage was still relatively low - new infections in Cuba have since declined greatly and remain low. Without proper studies, it's difficult to gauge how much of this is down to the vaccines, but the virus's suppression coinciding with the country

reaching high vaccine coverage is a positive sign.

Who could use a Cuban vaccine?

Given the difficult relationship between Cuba and The US, the market for Cuba's vaccines will probably be its political allies. Vietnam and Venezuela are reported to have received Abdala doses, Nicaragua has given emergency authorisation to both vaccines, and doses have previously been sent to Iran for use in clinical trials. Mexico and Argentina are also interested in using these vaccines.

Cuba has submitted both to The World Health Organization (WHO) for approval, which would improve the likelihood of them being used abroad. If there are any plans to include them in the Covax vaccine-sharing initiative, then WHO approval is a must.

Meanwhile, we're still waiting to see what impact omicron will have. So long as there's unequal access to vaccines, the pandemic will continue - and so too the risk of new variants arising.

Given most richer countries aren't in the queue for Abdala or Soberana 02, it's entirely possible that in future, parts of South America, Asia and Africa - where vaccine coverage is particularly low - may see Cuban vaccines in many arms.

About the author: Dr Michael Head is a Senior Research Fellow in Global Health, based in the Clinical Informatics Research Unit at The University of Southampton, UK, an office which he has held since 2015. He is also an infectious disease research associate with University College London. In 2016 he was admitted by The Amsterdam Institute of Global Health and Development to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) In 2010 The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine awarded him the Postgraduate Diploma in Epidemiology. Dr Head has a background in public health research and infectious disease epidemiology, with research links in Ghana, Togo, Ethiopia and Brazil. His main research interests are pneumonia and also Neglected Tropical Diseases, including scabies and onchocerciasis. He also

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US Official Says Washington Will Continue Promoting Taiwan's Global Contributions

By Kelvin Chen, Staff Writer

US Assistant Secretary of State Daniel Kritenbrink urges international support for Taiwan to counter Chinese political coercion.



US Assistant Secretary of State Daniel Kritenbrink. Photo credit: CNA.

TAIPEI (Taiwan News) - US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Daniel Kritenbrink has affirmed Washington's continued public support for Taiwan and said The US will work with Taiwan to expand its contributions to the global community.

During a Senate Foreign Affairs Committee hearing on Tuesday (8 December) to discuss the future of US policy toward Taiwan,

Kritenbrink praised the East Asian nation as a democratic, technological powerhouse and "a force for good." He said shared values and close people-to-people relations are part of the solid foundation of the bilateral partnership and serve as the driving force for advancing relations.

With regard to China's ramped-up military provocations in the Taiwan Strait, Kritenbrink said, "The US has and will continue to make available to Taiwan the defense articles and services necessary to enable it to maintain a sufficient self-defense capability consistent with the Taiwan Relations Act."

He noted that The US has sold more than US\$32 billion (NT\$886.15 billion) worth of arms to Taiwan since 2009. However, he said weapons alone do not guarantee Taiwan's ability to fend off a Chinese attack.

The official said The US must work with like-minded countries to solidify Taiwan's reputation as "a respected and constructive democratic actor in international affairs" and to preserve Taiwan's international space. He emphasized that the latter is essential to preserving the status quo and denying China its ability to promote its unification campaign on the world stage.

Kritenbrink said The US has been stressing the importance of Taiwan Strait peace and stability with its allies and highlighting its concerns to China regarding that country's actions against Taiwan. Washington has "publicly and privately urged the PRC (People's Republic of China) to abide by its commitment to peacefully resolve cross-Strait issues and to engage Taiwan in a meaningful dialogue to deescalate tensions," he said.

Kritenbrink mentioned that global support is vital to showing China that Taiwan is "a matter of great consequence and importance" to the global community and economy.

"Our relationship with Taiwan is truly 'rock solid,'" he said.

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which generates adequate income and adequate social protection. It also means sufficient work in the sense that all should have access to income earning opportunities," said Mr. Obie Ferguson. "It marks to the road to economic and social development. A road in which employment, income, social protection can be achieved without compromising workers' right and sound standards. I am very pleased on behalf of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas Trade Union Congress and all of its affiliates and all workers in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas to embrace this opportunity."

Other senior-level ILO and UN officials also delivered remarks. Among them were Mr. Vinicius Pinheiro, ILO Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean; Mr. Lars Johansen, Deputy Director of the ILO Decent Work Team and Office for the Caribbean; and Mr. Garry Conille, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Jamaica, The Bahamas, Bermuda, The Cayman Islands and Turks and Caicos Islands.

The ceremony concluded with a signing of the DWCP Memorandum of Understanding by The Prime Minister, Minister of Labour and Immigration, Heads of Social Partners and Mr. Zulu.

"There is no better time than now to have a new Decent Work Country Programme given the challenges that countries are facing with the COVID-19 pandemic. The crisis has exacerbated pre-existing decent work deficits, increased poverty, widened inequalities and exposed digital gaps in many countries including The Bahamas," said Mr. Vinicius Pinheiro. "The DWCP being launched today provides for a systematic and integrated approach in responding to the identified national labour market issues. The ILO commits to working with you on this journey to achieve these goals."

The ILO's approach in The Bahamas reflects the development of a 'new generation' of DWCPs, that leverages partnerships to align more closely to current national development goals and the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to achieve real and meaningful change.

"We have journeyed through the development of this DWCP. We discussed lessons learned from the execution of the first DWCP and explored possible modalities to ensure that this second Programme will be firmly rooted in the national development plan," said Ms. Sharon Martin, Chair of the National Tripartite Council, who also served as the Focal Point for the Second Generation Bahamas Decent Work Country Programme.

Following the launch, the ILO and tripartite partners will meet to discuss and determine next steps for the implementation of The Bahamas' new DWCP, including capacity building sessions scheduled for early 2022.

Source: ILO Newsroom, Port of Spain

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analyses portfolios of research, to review levels of funding for different diseases and to provide insight into research strength, knowledge gaps, and future priorities. He has communicated extensively with the written and TV media throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Dr Head joined The Conversation on 21 May 2013.

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CWI and LICB pay tribute to King Frank-I, cricket historian and commentator



ST JOHN'S, Antigua - Cricket West Indies (CWI) and Leeward Islands Cricket Board (LICB) paid tribute to Franklyn Francis, who passed away on Monday. Known as "King Frank-I", he was a respected cricket historian, broadcaster, journalist and social activist in Antigua and Barbuda. He was revered for his immense knowledge of the game, his insightful and informative commentary and analysis on local, regional and international matches for over four decades.

Enoch Lewis, President of LICB and Director of CWI, paid tribute.

"I want to offer condolences on behalf of LICB, as well as the President, Board of Directors and staff of CWI to his family, friends and loved ones, as well as the community in Antigua and Barbuda. Today, cricket in the West Indies is poorer for the passing of King Frank-I, a man who had energy, passion, and fire for West Indies cricket, who lived and breathed the game and offered support at all levels," said Lewis.

"When international cricket first came to the Antigua Recreation Ground, King Frank-I was among the first to witness the matches and chronicled the country's rise to prominence on the cricketing

landscape. He was part of the fabric of the game and was on

the pulse with his fair and fearless commentary and analysis. Outside of cricket he also made a significant contribution to the society and the development of the nation. As we say farewell to this kindhearted soul, I'm sure he would leave us with his signature line 'Jah guide, keep fit - and be a good sport'".

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDIANANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District "A"

To the Superintendent of Police.

WE, Imani Phipps & Jaleel Grant now residing in the Bird Rock Commercial Development, Bird Rock in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 31st day of December, 2021, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Last Lap in Bird Rock Development in Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Dated this 02nd day of December, 2021.

Signed: I. Phipps

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LIQUOR LICENCES ORDIANANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District "A"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Jaenel Ponteen now residing in the Douglas Street, New Town in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 31st day of December, 2021, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Douglas Street, New Town in Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Dated this 06th day of December, 2021.

Signed: Jaenel Ponteen

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDIANANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District "B"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Roger Ottley now residing in the Frankland Road in the village of Old Road do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 31st day of December, 2021, to the District Magistrate at Dieppe Bay for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Main Street in Old Road.

Dated this 01st day of December, 2021.

Signed: R. Ottley

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDIANANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

To the Magistrate, District "A"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Sunita Dulera now residing in the Shadwell Hosing in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 31st day of December, 2021, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Beer Licence in respect of my premises in Cool Koolfi Bite /Sam's Sweets, Palms Arcade, The Circus in Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Dated this 01st day of December, 2021.

Signed: Sunita Dulera

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TOURS, GUNS AND PARTY STYLE DANCING

By: FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

Where did this new policy with the cruise ships regarding booking tours come from? It seems strange to me that all of a sudden the cruise ships are telling their passengers that unless they book a tour on the ship, they cannot disembark.

Is it because the cruise ships are not operating at maximum passenger capacity so they need these tours to make the trips worth their while? Should we expect things to go back to pre-COVID-19 days when more passengers are allowed to travel on the cruise ships? How is it that the Tourism authorities gave the impression that they had resolved all the issues with the independent taxi drivers and operators?

It's really sad to hear the cries of the taxi and tour personnel every time a cruise ship docks because the country depends on the tourist dollar. Whether we like it or not, the cruise ship is our sugar cane field. When the ordinary taxi driver or tour operator can't make a US dollar, the small and medium businesses suffer and the domino effect continues so the country suffers as well.

I really don't know if those in authority have the will or the desire to have a sit down with the cruise lines. I have a strong feeling that some where along the line during the negotiations, just what is happening is what some local people in authority wanted to be happening. Just like there is no tourist bubble anywhere else in the Caribbean, I will hazard a guess that the cruise ships don't make that demand of their passengers when they dock anywhere else in the region.

I happened to be listening to Groundings last Friday, when Wallis Wilkin contacted Juni to say that the outrageous and senseless party requirements that were being referenced by the panel were in fact from 2020 and not 2021. It struck me as odd since he was the only person in the federation saying so. I wasn't at all surprised when an event had to be canceled and monies refunded because of the same outrageous and senseless requests that Wallis Wilkin

said were from 2020.

The only place and time party style dancing is being allowed is at the \$40.00 J'Ouvert and any other government sanctioned event, like CPL, for example. I understand that the J'Ouvert is only happening because some overseas people with deep pockets want to make a movie of some natives dancing party style. I know that with all the restrictions placed on party style dancing in public, when the revellers finish wukking up in the J'Ouvert, the movie must win an Oscar.

I heard of two shootings this week. I searched social media looking for some corroboration and couldn't find even a mention. Not even Buckie had got it. Basically what has been happening is that any bad news, especially having to do with gun violence, is only released if the authorities have absolutely no other choice.

Hiding the fact of the gun violence won't mean that it did not happen. It just means that the \$31,000,000.00 plaster is just a plaster. It won't cure the sore foot. Simmonds son got shot. It was mentioned only because they had to. Young men have gone missing. We only know because the family put the information out on the social media.

What is operating in the minds of those who put the pay for peace programme in place is that there can be no suggestion, no indication, that the programme is not working perfectly. But even if it could have worked better, when there is no effort to remove the illegal firearms from the streets, gun violence will happen.

And to the unsuspecting, that no attempt is being made to get illegal firearms from off our streets is the biggest puzzle. But to those of us who understand the thinking of those in authority, we recognize what is going on. And we are also fully aware that God is in control.



By Vigilante

* When de bad wud ambassador get de news dat dey cover over he picture wid de lady picture, he charter a whole jet to come back Sin Kitt and put a injunction on de lady picture.

* De #4 misappropriator say dat is he mudder place and de bad wud ambassador owe him arrears. So he could tek dung and put up whoever he want.

* Dey say dat de bad wud ambassador planning to mek he nother house next to he house he office if in case he lose de injunction case.

* Humpty Dumpty give him some bright orange paint and he done paint up de house so dat from de national zero to de frilly mout deputy will know why he stand.

* Dey say dat even though de house ain't got no roof, nor no door nor no window, he planning to mek it a two storage building wid six apartment like he other house.

* But de street say dat he gon mek it into a office for de ambassador for when he want to wuk from remote and rent it to de government for US\$40,000.00 a month.

* Dey say dat dey planning to bruk up de sidewalk what de bad wud ambassador build all de way to de road by de port. But through dey ain't want people to tink dat dey doing it for de #4 misappropriator and he FCK, dey doing it piece, piece.

* De frilly mout deputy say dat he not gon rest till he bruk up every single sidewalk dat de bad wud ambassador build. So he brukking up all a dem up Bird Rock and he gone on Wellington Road and de Factory Road to bruk up some more up dere.

* Dey say dat de other half for de #4 misappropriator get to find out dat more in de mortar wid de lady. Das what mek she tekking it mek run way.

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FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

Homeward bound for West Indies Women's Squad after lengthy COVID-19 hold up

ST JOHN'S, Antigua - The West Indies Women squad will begin their journey home from Oman starting on Friday, December 10, after quarantining in Oman for 11 days. The quarantine requirement followed the cancellation of the International Cricket Council's (ICC) Women's Cricket World Cup qualification tournament in Zimbabwe where the West Indies Women had already successfully begun their qualification pursuit with an early victory.

New and more severe global restrictions against travelers from a number of African countries, including Zimbabwe, forced the ICC to abandon the tournament prematurely, and to send competing teams home as quickly as possible. The squad was flown to Oman by an ICC private charter, with a short stopover in Namibia, along with eight other international squads. Oman was used as a staging

area for the West Indies Women's squad while they awaited an available route home.

Cricket West Indies (CWI) CEO Johnny Grave expressed CWI's gratitude to the ICC and Oman Cricket for safely assisting and accommodating the West Indies team.

Grave said: "We are pleased to confirm that the West Indies Women's squad will soon be making their way back home.

CWI announces official tour operators and licensed ticket partners as anticipation rises for England T20I and Test tour of West Indies

ST JOHN'S, Antigua - Cricket West Indies (CWI) today confirmed the official tour operators and licensed ticket partners for England's T20I and Test tours to the West Indies in 2022. A number of trusted and experienced tour operators have partnered with CWI along with some new tour operators who are experienced in providing major sport tours around the world.

Fans will be able to book from a range of attractive tour packages covering every permutation of T20I and Test fixtures, enabling fans to access preferred tickets and itineraries in advance of the general sale of tickets to the wider public. The West Indies vs England five-match T20I Series takes place at the Kensington Oval in Barbados from January 22-30, 2022 including two weekends of back-to-back matches offering a sun-soaked action-packed start to the year.

This will be followed by the three Test matches in March, which will renew one of cricket's greatest rivalries dating back close to 100 years. The arch-rivals will compete for the first time for the newly minted Richards-Botham trophy, named in honour of legends Sir Vivian Richards and Lord Ian Botham. The Test Series opens appropriately at the Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in Antigua from March 8-12, followed by the second Test at the historic Kensington Oval from March 16-20. The third and final contest will be at the idyllic Grenada National Stadium from March 24-28. All three Tests are part of the ICC World Test Championship.

The full range of Cricket West Indies official tour operators and licensed ticket partners can be found here with further information on their specialism and expertise <https://bit.ly/3DviDCy>

"We are excited to confirm Cricket West Indies Official Tour Operators for next year's England T20I and Test tours of the West Indies. There has been huge interest in the tours and we have been working with our tour partners, regional governments and tourist boards to ensure fans have every opportunity to get their preferred seats and travel plans to enjoy one of the best and most memorable experiences in the game. A new chapter in the rich history of Test cricket between West Indies and England will be written. The first ever five-match T20I Series promises fireworks under warm Caribbean skies and we look forward to welcoming thousands of visiting fans to the Caribbean," said Dominic Warne, CWI Commercial Director.

CWI advises only fans that are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 should consider purchasing tour packages or tickets. Fans will need to bring their vaccination documentation with them to be able to enter the venues. The date of a full vaccination (or single dose vaccination) must be at least two weeks prior to the first match that any fan intends to attend.

Tickets will go on general sale in mid-December as CWI introduces its new online ticket service which will be available through "Buy Tickets" button at <https://bit.ly/3DviDCy>

We want to thank them for their patience and understanding as we worked with our counterparts at the ICC and Oman Cricket to facilitate their return at the earliest opportunity. We want to express our appreciation to the ICC, Oman Cricket and our operations team, who have worked tirelessly to ensure everyone was comfortable, and remained safe."

Head Coach Courtney Walsh said: "The team is relieved by the good news that we will be home with our families before Christmas. The sudden cancellation of the Qualifiers and transition period in Oman has been mentally taxing on the entire team, both for the players and management staff. As a management group, we tried to ensure that the players remained in a positive frame of mind. Our Strength and Conditioning Coach created a fitness challenge for all of us to participate in for the duration of the quarantine period, as it was something to take our minds off what was happening. I must say thanks to our Team Manager, the ICC and Oman Cricket, for all their logistical work, in ensuring we're on our way home as quickly as possible."

The players and team management are expected to arrive at their various West Indian home territories over the course of the next few days.

Following the termination of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifiers, ICC announced that the West Indies Women along with Pakistan Women and Bangladesh Women secured the final three qualification spots for the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup by virtue of the existing ICC Women's ODI rankings. The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup will be played in New Zealand from March 4 to April 3, 2022.

www.windiescricket.com.

The full list of Cricket West Indies Tour Operators and Licensed Ticket Partners is:

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 January 23: 2nd T20I at Kensington Oval
 January 26: 3rd T20I at Kensington Oval
 January 29: 4th T20I at Kensington Oval
 January 30: 5th T20I at Kensington Oval

March 8-12: 1st Test Match at Sir Vivian Richards Stadium
 March 16-20: 2nd Test at Kensington Oval
 March 24-28: 3rd Test at Grenada National Stadium

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