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Editorial

Condemning Normal Behaviour Of Sharing Graphic Crime Content On Social Media

In recent years, there is no doubt that many of us have observed a troubling trend unfolding on social media platforms-particularly WhatsApp And Facebook- which appears to be the normalisation of sharing graphic images and footage depicting victims of crime and violence. What was once considered disturbing and shocking has in the reverse now become disturbingly commonplace, with individuals capturing and sharing graphic scenes of dead bodies and other related events first hand minutes after the violent happenings.

As a society, we must guard ourselves from engaging in this kind of normalisation since not only does such behaviour desensitise us to the horrors of violence but also inflicts additional trauma on the victims and their families.

What is more is the harm that such images can have on our mental health as some of these photos and videos are very shocking to some people who can become depressed and disturbed. We live in a world where everybody has a cellphone, and therefore our children are not shielded from such negative images happening in our communities.

It is deeply troubling to observe the casual manner in which graphic content is shared on social media, often with little regard for the dignity and privacy of those depicted. What is worse is the instantaneous nature of these posts, allowing images and footage of victims to spread rapidly before they can be properly processed or understood. Families who once relied on official notifications from law enforcement now find themselves confronted with the harrowing sight of their loved ones lying in the street, captured on camera for the world to see.

The impact of this normalisation extends far beyond the individuals directly affected by these tragic events. It erodes our collective empathy and humanity, numbing us to the profound suffering of others including the grieving friends, relatives and other loved ones.

We must confront the ethical implications of sharing graphic content on social media and recognise the harm it inflicts on both victims and society as a whole.

As individuals, we must exercise restraint and responsibility when it comes to consuming and sharing content on social media platforms. Before hitting "share" or "send", we should consider the potential impact of our actions on those depicted in the images and their loved ones. Empathy, compassion, and respect should guide our interactions online, even in the face of tragedy.

In conclusion, let us reject the normalisation of graphic content on social media in spreading of graphic images and footage for just wanting to send out the latest incident or just for the sake of sensationalism.

Above all: Let us come together as a society to stomp out crime and violence!

Case Number :NEVHPB2024/0020



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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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In the Estate of **Freda Beltoria Clarke otherwise Freda Clarke** late of Potworks Estate, St. James' Parish, Nevis, Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **JENNIFER CLARKE AND CAROLINE CLARKE** of Potworks Estate, St. James Parish, Nevis, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the daughters of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 27th day of January, 2024.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2024.

Belva L. Nisbett
Nisbetts, Solicitors

Filed by: Nisbetts, Solicitors, whose address for service is Chapel Street, Charlestown, Nevis.



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Workers' Union Launches Online Campaign Ahead of Labour Day

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Wednesday 17th April 2024)- In anticipation of Labour Day, the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU), has launched its 'Workers Matter First' online campaign, aimed at amplifying the voices of workers and fostering a culture of advocacy and solidarity.

With the theme 'Workers Matter First,' the campaign—which kicked off on Monday 8th April 2024—underscores the union's unwavering commitment to prioritising the rights, welfare, and interests of workers across St. Kitts and Nevis.

SKNT&LU General Secretary Precious Mills expressed excitement about the launch of the campaign, emphasizing its significance in the lead-up to Labour Day (International Workers' Day)—slated for Monday 6th May.

"As we approach Labour

Day, it is fitting that we reaffirm our dedication to putting workers at the forefront of our agenda. The 'Workers Matter First' campaign serves as a rallying cry for workers' rights and highlights the importance of collective action in advancing the interests of workers," she stated.

"Stay connected with the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union online and let your voice be heard. Workers matter first, now and always," she urged also.

According to the Union official, another exciting near future aspect would see a platform for union membership online registration, noting that "Workers would soon be able to enjoy the convenience of being able to become registered union members and pay their dues online."

Of note, the campaign, which spans various digital platforms via social media, including WhatsApp and Facebook, aims to raise awareness about key issues affecting workers, provide resources and support, and promote solidarity among workers.

The Union is of the view that by leveraging the power of digital communication, the SKNT&LU seeks to engage with a broader audience and empower workers to actively participate in union activities and advocacy efforts.

"We believe that workers' voices must be heard, respected, and valued," Mills remarked whilst adding "Through the '**Workers Matter First**' campaign, we are inviting workers from all sectors to join us in advocating for their rights, advocating for better working conditions, and advocating for a fair and just society for all."

In the spirit of Labour Day, the SKNTLU is encouraging workers to join the 'Workers Matter First' campaign and be part of a movement dedicated to advancing the rights and dignity of workers. By participating in the campaign, workers can contribute to building a stronger, more united workforce and advocate for positive change in their workplaces and communities.

As Labour Day approaches, the SKNTLU remains committed to its mission of promoting workers' rights, advocating for social justice and building a better future for all workers. Join the 'Workers Matter First' campaign today and be part of the movement for change.

Workers can follow and interact with the campaign by adding (and sending a message to) the Union's WhatsApp via 661-2544 and also by hitting 'LIKE' and 'Follow' via its official www.facebook.com/SKNTLU page.

Additional details: Info@sknunion.com, skntlu1940@gmail.com and www.thelabourspokesman.com.

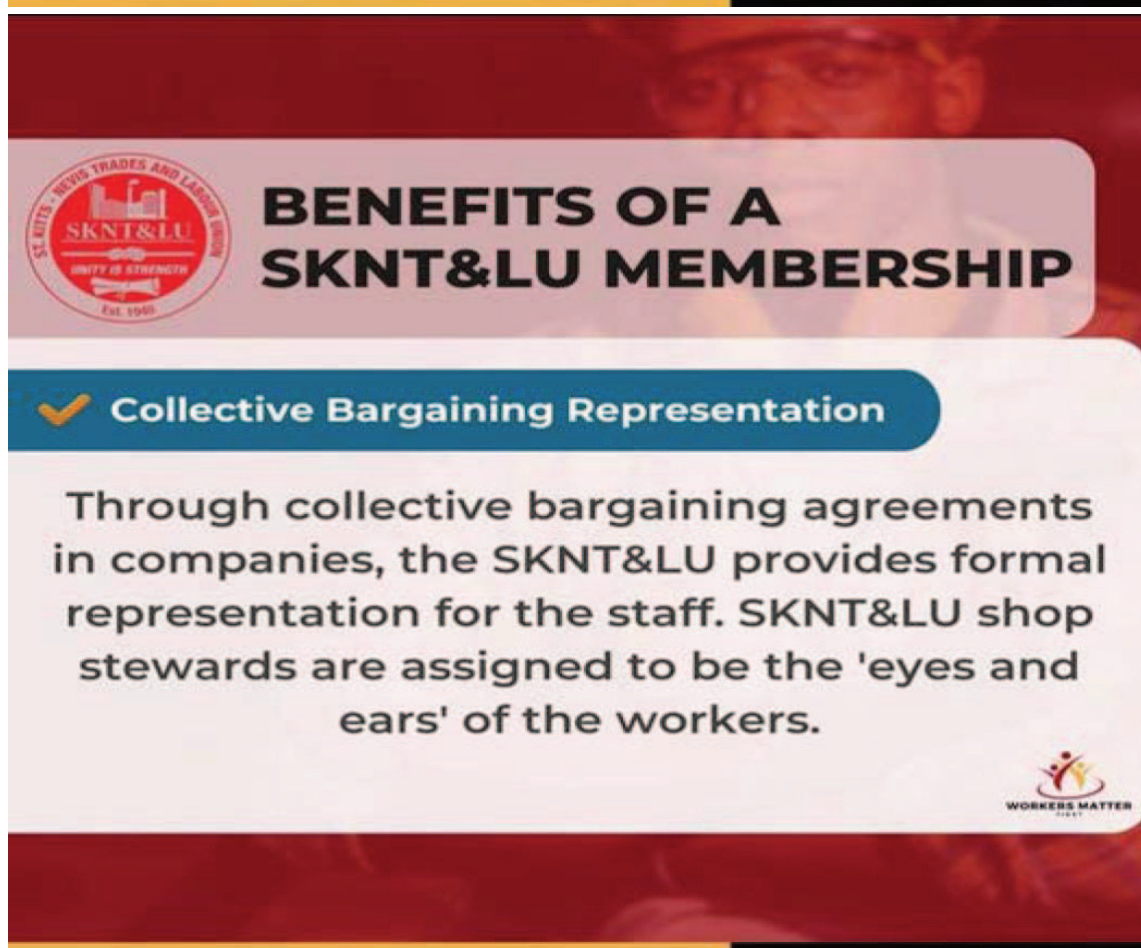
Workers are also being encouraged to become unionised members by registering at the Union's office at Masses House on Church Street (\$10 registration with weekly dues at \$5).

Images: A look at the type of information being used for 'Workers Matter First' online campaign by St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU)



BENEFITS OF A SKNT&LU MEMBERSHIP

- ✓ Collective Bargaining Representation
- ✓ Social and Networking
- ✓ Legal Representation
- ✓ Governmental Advocacy
- ✓ Grievance Resolution
- ✓ Job Security and Seniority Advocacy
- ✓ Professional Development
- ✓ Information and Resources
- ✓ Health and Safety Advocacy
- ✓ Open Door Policy
- ✓ Representation on a National Scale



BENEFITS OF A SKNT&LU MEMBERSHIP

- ✓ Collective Bargaining Representation

Through collective bargaining agreements in companies, the SKNT&LU provides formal representation for the staff. SKNT&LU shop stewards are assigned to be the 'eyes and ears' of the workers.



National Caribbean Insurance Company Limited having made sworn deposition that policy number **64992 on the life of Jeanette Tyson has been lost** and having made application to the directors to grant a special policy, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the special policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 18/4/2024

By Order,

Diana Williams-Humphrey
General Manager

2 Killed, 2 Injured in 4 Days

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 18th April 2024)-A spate of gun violence on St.Kitts has left two young men dead and another two injured over the course of four days.

Dead are 31-year-old Shaquille Chumney of East Street, Newtown, 18-year-old Crisbel Rivera, a Dominican Republic national residing in Carty Alley, Newtown and another male - believed to be in his 30s or 40s - who police did not identify up to press time on the day in question - Thursday 18th April 2024.

Injured are 59-year-old Neal Nicholls of Gillard Meadows and 34-year-old Devon Norford of Lover's Lane, Cayon

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force (RSCNPF) is actively investigating these shooting incidents.

A spokesperson from the Police Department informed local reporters that on Thursday 18th April 18th, shortly before 2 PM, a shooting incident was reported at John Street, Newtown. It was further reported that one person has been confirmed as deceased, and that further details will be provided as soon as available.

The day before (on 17th April), between 8:30 PM and 9:00 PM, on John Street in Newtown, Rivera, was fatally shot by an armed assailant. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Hours after that deadly shooting, between 11:30PM and 12AM, Norford of Lover's Lane, Cayon, fell victim to a targeted attack, sustaining multiple gunshot wounds. Norford survived the ordeal and is currently in stable condition at the hospital.

Police say officers responded to the scene and observed and spoke with Norford who reported that he had been approached and fired at by an armed assailant.

Furthermore, Norford stated that he fled in the direction of the Cayon Police Station to seek assistance.

Reportedly, he was soon thereafter transported by Emergency Medical Services (EMS) first to the Mary Charles Hospital in Molineaux, then to the Joseph N. France General Hospital for treatment of his injuries, and warded in stable condition.

Two days before between 5:30PM and 6PM and on April 15th, 2024, at the Newtown Fisheries Complex, Chumney was fatally wounded.

Police say responding to the scene, officers observed Chumney sitting near the gazebo with multiple gunshot wounds about the body. He was subsequently pronounced deceased at the scene.

Preliminary inquiries suggest that Chumney had been accosted and fatally wounded by a single armed assailant who fired several times in his direction.

During the attack, Nicholls sustained a single gunshot wound to one of his ankles. He was transported to the Joseph N. France General Hospital by a private vehicle where he was treated and later discharged.

Police say should anyone have any information about this or any other criminal incidents, they are strongly encouraged to contact the nearest Police station, or call the Crime Stoppers™ Hotline, 707.

Information reaching this media house suggests that in light of the recent deadly shootings in the Newtown community, members of the public have been expressing their views that 'hot spot' police patrol is necessary.

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE FEDERATION OF ST. CHRISTOPHER & NEVIS ST. CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT (PROBATE)

No. SKBHPB2024/

In the Estate of **FELIX JULIAN REDMILL**, late of St. Matthews Moreton Centre, Boscobel Road, St. Leonards On Sea, TN38 0LX, United Kingdom, Deceased

And

IN THE MATTER of the Resealing of the Grant of Probate issued by the High Court of Justice England and Wales

ADVERTISEMENT (RESEALING)

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the Grant of Probate of the estate of **FELIX JULIAN REDMILL**, late of St. Matthews Moreton Centre, Boscobel Road, St. Leonards On Sea, TN38 0LX, United Kingdom, granted by the High Court of Justice England and Wales on the 28th day of November 2023.

Signed: *Kelsick Wilkin & Ferdinand*
KELSICK, WILKIN & FERDINAND
Attorneys-at-Law for the Executors
JOHN WALTER BENSON and
ANDREW CLIFFORD PLUCK



Cottle Church 1824-2024

The Cottle Church on Round Hill Estate is celebrating its Bicentennial with an Ecumenical Church Service on the 5th May, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

It is the first known church in the Caribbean that allowed blacks and whites, freed and enslaved to worship together.

The church was physically constructed by the spiritually, especially skilled, craftsmen, women and children enslaved on the plantation.

Two hundred years later the main structure stands upright as evidence of the pride and precision with which it was built. The

Chaderton family, and the Cottle Church Restoration Group (a non-profit organization), in collaboration with the Nevis Ministry of Tourism are making plans for this Ecumenical Church Service to commemorate the 200th Anniversary taking place on the church grounds Sunday, 5th May, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Donations will be welcomed and will go towards the continued maintenance and upkeep of the church and its surroundings.

We extend an invitation to all to share in this momentous occasion of our island's Heritage.

Prime Minister the Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew Holds Successful Meetings with Investors to Secure Funding for Announced Geothermal Energy Project



Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, April 15, 2024 [PMO] - Prime Minister The Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew continued his efforts in securing funding for and building strategic partnerships with the K&K Group, a prominent UAE-based investment firm to initiate the groundbreaking geothermal energy project in the Federation. This partnership marks a significant step toward the country's commitment to renewable energy security as it furthers its agenda to a sustainable island state.

The clean energy project aims to harness the naturally occurring geothermal resources to produce clean, renewable power that will redound to the benefit of all citizens and the Federation's economic future. This project aligns with the

government's vision for a sustainable future, which includes diversifying energy sources and reducing dependence on fossil fuels.

The Hon. Prime Minister stressed the importance of trusting partnerships in creating an enabling environment that will facilitate investment in the Federation.

According to Dr. Drew, "This project is one for the history books, it will enable St. Kitts and Nevis to significantly reduce its reliance on fossil fuels, thereby lowering its carbon footprint, preserve its natural resources, and contribute to global efforts to combat climate change thus ensuring a healthier environment for future generations. During the development phase of the project, we will create new employment opportunities, drive economic growth, and foster sustainable development across both islands and the wider region".



Prime Minister Drew engages in discussions with investors in Abu Dhabi.

During the discussions with Dr. Tajeddine Seif - Chairman of the K&K Group, Dr. Drew repeated his government's commitment to involving local communities in the project, providing opportunities for education and training in sustainable energy technologies, and empowering residents to contribute to the nation's development.

Dr. Seif assured the Hon. Prime Minister that his Company along with its strategic partners including Siemens Energy are resolute in leading the development, installation, and management of the renewable energy infrastructure and delivery via a subsea cable. Dr. Seif said, "...by integrating geothermal energy into the grid, the Federation can improve grid stability and reliability, benefitting not only St. Kitts and Nevis but also potentially neighboring islands through interconnection".

The Hon. Prime Minister expressed his gratitude to the investors for their confidence in the country's potential and commitment to advancing this important initiative. The government looks forward to a fruitful collaboration and is excited about the transformative impact this project will have on the nation's energy landscape.

Further details about the project and the collaboration will be provided in the coming weeks. The government remains dedicated to keeping the public informed as the project progresses.

PRESS RELEASE

SKNLP Constituency Eight Conducts Successful Executive Committee Elections For Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons As Part Of New Term Leadership Readiness

(MONDAY 15TH APRIL 2024)- Constituency Eight of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) is thrilled to announce results of the recent elections for the positions of

Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons held on Sunday, April 14, 2024, at the St. Peter's Anglican Church Hall, aimed at putting together a 'Red and Ready' dynamic executive committee to lead the constituency in its new term.

With 95 dedicated voters combined from all four (4) districts participating



Left to Right: Newly-elected Chairperson of the SKNLP Constituency Eight Executive Committee Ms. Avonelle Martin (St.Peter's), Vice Chairpersons: Mr.Doan Ferdinand (Conaree) and Mr.Shannoid Bass (St.Peter's), District Head floor member Mr.Dominic Stevens (Keys), floor member elect Ms. Valencia Martin (Conaree) and District Head floor member Mr. Gavin Williams (St.Peters) pose for a group photo following the elections

namely Cayon, Keys, Conaree and St.Peter's, the constituency has demonstrated its commitment to shaping

the future of the party -led by Prime Minister and Parliamentary

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TDC and the Departments of Gender Affairs Empower Women through Skills Training

Over seventy-five women across the St. Kitts and Nevis are now equipped with the knowledge and empowered to use their newly acquired skills in basic Car Care and Welding, thanks to a partnership between the TDC Group of Companies and the Departments of Gender Affairs.

The collaboration between the TDC Automotive Divisions, TDC Home and Building Depots, and the Ministries of Social Development and Gender Affairs, started in the month of March, International Women's Month and wrapped up on Saturday 13th April 2024.



Mr. Anthony Nisbett, Manager TDC Automotive Division facilitating the session on Basic Car Care at the TDC Automotive Division at Pinney's Industrial Estate on Nevis

The theory and practical sessions were facilitated by a team of trained and certified professionals from within and outside the company, who used their combined years of experience and expertise to conduct the highly interactive sessions. Each participant garnered the basic skills of vehicle diagnostics, along with various welding techniques, and safety protocols.

According to Mr. Kashka Thompson, "the TDC Client Relations and Marketing Manager, TDC is thrilled to partner with the Departments of Gender Affairs to offer women the chance to explore and learn. By equipping women with the skill sets and knowledge, we are not only promoting gender equality, but we are also helping to break barriers and promote gender inclusivity by inspiring them."

He also noted, "This partnership also addresses the gender gap prevalent in technical professions and give women the opportunity to acquire practical skills, gain hands-on experience, and even pursue fulfilling careers in these fields contribute to the growth and development of the economy."

With the success of the two training sessions, calls are already being made for similar training in electricity, tiling, and woodwork.

Case Number :SKBHCV2024/0060

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 HIGH COURT
 ST. CHRISTOPHER / NEVIS
 (ST. KITTS CIRCUIT)

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IN THE FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
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IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 22 OF THE TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CAP 10.19
 AND
 IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST BY **MANISH KHATRI AND LAVEENA KHATRI** FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF TWO CERTIFICATES OF TITLE REGISTERED IN **BOOK W3 FOLIO 281 AND BOOK W3 FOLIO 287** AND THE ISSUE OF ONE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE IN RESPECT OF THE PARCELS OF LAND CONTAINED THEREIN

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION

For Certificates of Title, notings thereon and Caveats for week ending the 12th day of April, 2024

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of request, whether for certificate of title of noting thereon, or caveat
29 th January, 2024.	MANISH KHATRI AND LAVEENA KHATRI by their Attorney-at-Law Angelina Gracy Sookoo-Bobb of Sookoo Bobb of Unit C 21 The Sands Complex, Bay Road, Basseterre, Saint Kitts.	Request for the Consolidation of two Certificates of Titles into one Certificate of Title to 11,082 square feet of land situate at Douglas Estate in the Parish of St. Peter in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- Parcel A: ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Lot No. 38 of Douglas Estate in the Parish of St. Peter in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: On or towards the North-North-East by a Development Road, 55.00 feet; On or towards the East-South-East by Lot No. 39, 100.00 feet; on or towards the South-South-West by Douglas Estate, 55.00 feet; and On or towards the West-North-West by Lot No. 37, 100.00 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,500 square feet, all as the same is contained in the Certificate of Title presented on 19th May, 2023 and recorded in Book W3 Folio 281 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit. Parcel B: ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Lot No. 39 of Douglas Estate in the Parish of St. Peter in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: On or towards the North-North-East by a Development Road, 55.00 feet; On or towards the East-South-East by Lot No. 40, 102.21 feet; On or towards the South by Douglas Estate, 36.62 feet; On or towards the South-South-West by Douglas Estate, 18.44 feet; and On or towards the West-North-West by Lot No. 38, 100.00 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,582 square feet, all as the same is contained in the Certificate of Title presented on 19th May, 2023 and recorded in Book W3 Folio 287 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit.

Dated the 11th day of April, 2024.

Asst Registrar of Titles

The Court Office is at S.W. Tapley Seaton Court Annex, East Independence Square Street. Telephone Number: 467-1337, FAX 465-2482. The office is open between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays, except on Public Holidays.
 E-FILED on behalf of **MANISH KHATRI** and **LAVEENA KHATRI** by their Attorney-at-Law, Angelina Gracy Sookoo-Bobb, Principal of **SOOKOO BOBB**, Unit C 21 The Sands Complex, Bay Road, Basseterre, Saint Kitts, Telephone No. (869) 466-2622 or (869) 766-2622, (Office Email) info@s-blegal.com (Direct Email) agsookoo@s-blegal.com.

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT
A. D. 2024

In the Matter of the Title by Registration Act 10.19

And

In the Matter of a Certificate of Title registered in Book 17 Folio 4 in respect of lands situated at Richmond Lodge Estate also known as "Salt Pond Gut Estate" in the parish of St. John's in the island of Nevis

And

In the Matter of an application in respect of a replacement Certificate of Title pursuant to Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act 10.19

NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an Application has been made to the Registrar of Titles for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of lost Certificate of Title dated the 24th January 1978 and registered in the Register of Titles of the Nevis Circuit at Book 17 Folio 4 in favour of **AUSTIN BROWNE, ALLISTER BROWNE AND KENNETH BROWNE** of Brown Hill in the Parish of Saint John in the Island of Nevis for ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Richmond Lodge Estate also known as "Salt Pond Gut Estate" in the parish of St. John's in the island of Nevis measuring 30.4139 acres and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by an Estate Road, 1152.6 feet; On the South by a Public Road, 192.0 feet and 685.1 feet; On the East by lands of Bush Hill Estate, 185 feet and On the North West by lands of Pembroke Estate 1345.0 feet all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by S.A. Douglas, copied by D.K. Stott and recopied by J.S. Napier, Licensed Land Surveyors dated the 21st day of October, 1977.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the said duplicate Certificate which may lead to its recovery is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles at the Registrar's Office, Charlestown, Nevis or Nisbetts Solicitors, Chapel Street, Charlestown, Nevis.

Dated the 10th day of April, 2024

Nisbetts
 Solicitors

MOFA thanks South Korea for US\$500,000 post-quake recovery donation

Publication Date: April 12, 2024 | [twitter share icon](#) A- A+



The Ministry of Foreign Affairs expresses appreciation to South Korea for its April 11 announcement of a US\$500,000 donation to help post-quake reconstruction in eastern Taiwan. (MOFA)

A donation of US\$500,000 from South Korea for reconstruction in eastern Taiwan following a magnitude 7.2 earthquake earlier this month is deeply appreciated by the government and people, according to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs April 11.

The MOFA expressed gratitude to the South

Korean government and Lee Eun-ho, Korean Mission in Taipei representative, for the condolences expressed over the casualties and damage caused by the quake.

The South Korean government has always provided timely assistance whenever there is a disaster in Taiwan, the ministry said, citing a donation of US\$100,000 from the like-minded democratic partner for rescue and reconstruction after the February, 2016 magnitude 6.4 earthquake that hit southern Taiwan.

The ministry went on to express its praise for the positive relationship between Taiwan and South Korea, anticipating that the solid foundation would expand mutual support in the international community. (YCH-E)

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

APPLICATION NO. SKBHCV 2018/0265

BETWEEN:

THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED
(successor to the banking business of
Royal Bank of Canada in St Kitts)

Applicant

and

[1] ALEXANDER ASHLEY BROWNE
(also known as Alex Browne)

[2] LISA MARIE RONBACK

Respondents

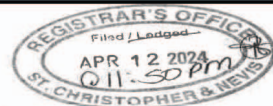
NOTICE OF HEARING

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Applicant, THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED (successor to the banking business of Royal Bank of Canada in St Kitts), has filed a Notice of Application to Settle Scheme of Division of the Sale Price, et al, an Affidavit in Support of Notice of Application to Settle Scheme of Division of the Sale Price, Draft Scheme of Division of the Sale Price and a Draft Order on April 12, 2024.

A hearing has been scheduled in the captioned High Court matter at the High Court of Justice, Charles Amory Building (the building directly in front of the Cenotaph), Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts on **Thursday May 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Please note that the hearing may be held via Zoom.** The Respondents must attend the said hearing otherwise the High Court can proceed in their absence.

The said Notice of Application to Settle Scheme of Division of the Sale Price, et al, an Affidavit in Support of Notice of Application to Settle Scheme of Division of the Sale Price, Draft Scheme of Division of the Sale Price and a Draft Order can also be accessed by a formal search conducted at the Registry of the High Court, Sir Lee L. Moore Judicial & Legal Services Complex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts with respect to the captioned High Court matter.

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

APPLICATION NO. SKBHCV 2013/0006

IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 92 OF THE TITLE BY
REGISTRATION ACT

- AND -

IN THE MATTER OF THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY
COMPRISED IN CERTIFICATE OF TITLE DATED
AUGUST 12, 1974 AND REGISTERED IN BOOK Z1 FOLIO
130

Between:

TDC FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY
LIMITED, (formerly known as St Kitts-Nevis
Finance Company Limited)

- Applicant

and

THE ESTATE OF SYDNEY MORRIS

- Respondent

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
TO REDUCE UPSET PRICE, ET AL

The Applicant, TDC FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY LIMITED a limited liability company duly incorporated under the Laws of the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis with its registered office situate at Fort Street, in the town of Basseterre in the Island of Saint Christopher, formally known as ST KITT'S-NEVIS FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED;

APPLIES TO THE COURT pursuant to Section 92 of the Title by Registration Act for the following:

1. an Order fixing a new date of sale of the property of the Respondent described in a Certificate of Title dated August 12, 1974 and registered in Register Book Z1 Folio 130 of the Register of Titles of the Island of St Kitts at a reduced upset price of EC\$170,000.00; said property being described as follows:-

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Cayon Housing Project, in the Parish of St. Mary, in the Island of Saint Christopher, being Lot No. 112 and containing by admeasurement 2,655.0 square feet, and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by Lot No. 111, 67.0 feet; On the East by Hamilton Street, 39.5 feet, On the South by Lot No. 113, 67.1 feet and On the West by Lot No. 105, 39.7 feet; (hereinafter "the Property")

2. an Order adjusting the announcements of sale and the mode of publication thereof.

A DRAFT of the Order that the Applicant seeks is attached hereto.

The GROUNDS on which the Applicant is seeking these orders are as follows:-

1. Pursuant to an Order of this Honourable Court dated April 4, 2014 this Honourable Court ordered, inter alia, that the Property be sold at an upset price of EC\$350,000.00 and that the Registrar of the High Court should set a date for said proposed sale.
2. The Registrar set June 26, 2014, as the date for the proposed sale of the Property.
3. The sale of the Property did *not* take place on the above occasion and was called off by the Registrar, as no prospective purchasers attended the proposed sale.
4. Pursuant to a further Order of this Honourable Court dated March 31, 2015 this Honourable Court ordered, inter alia, that the Property be sold at an upset price of EC\$301,379.47 and that the Registrar of the High Court should set a date for said proposed sale.
5. The Registrar set May 21, 2015 as the date for the proposed sale of the Property.
6. The sale of the Property did *not* take place on of the above occasion and was called off by the Registrar, as no prospective purchasers attended the proposed sale.

The mortgage debt due by the Respondent to the Applicant is still outstanding.

Affidavits of Clayton Thomas and Eavin L. Parry are filed in support of this Application

Dated: April 12, 2024

Signed

Hadya K. L. Dolphin, Associate
KELSICK, WILKIN & FERDINAND
Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicant

NOTICE:

This Application will be heard by

Master Yuri Saunders

on:

Thursday the 9th day of May



atm at the High Court of Justice, Charles Amory Building
(the building directly in front of the Cenotaph), Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts.

IF A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT
ATTEND THIS HEARING
AN ORDER MAY BE MADE IN HIS OR HER ABSENCE

As ordered by this Honourable Court on January 15, 2013, the Applicant is permitted to serve the Respondent by the following:

1. causing the documents to be posted up in a conspicuous part of the building on Lot No. 112 of Cayon Housing Project, Cayon, St Kitts owned by the Respondent/Registered Proprietor The Estate of SYDNEY MORRIS; and
2. causing the document to be published in a newspaper circulating in the Federation of St Kitts and Nevis.

The Court Office/Registry of the High Court is situated at the Sir S. W. Tapley Seaton Annex, East Independence Square, Basseterre, St Kitts. Its email address is registryskn@gov.kn and its telephone number is 467-1102. The Registry is open between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays, except Public Holidays



Minister with responsibility for Social Development and Gender Affairs; Youth Empowerment, Ageing and Disabilities, the Hon Senator Isalean Phillip, addresses seniors at the Seniors' Health Fair held on Wednesday April 17 at Conaree lawns.

Ageing and Disabilities minister assures government is working on reducing cost of food

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, April 18, 2024 (MMS-SKN) — At the successful and highly interactive Seniors' Health Fair held on the Conaree lawns on Wednesday April 17, the seniors expressed that they were fully aware that for them to lead productive lives they have to eat certain foods, but however decried the high cost of accessing the recommended foods.

Minister with responsibility for Social Development and Gender Affairs; Youth Empowerment, Ageing and Disabilities, the Hon Senator Isalean Phillip, in an exclusive interview on site said that cost of food is one of the things the Federal Government is working on as part of its Sustainable Island State Agenda.

"Food security is one of the key pillars, and so we are actually looking at that and there is quite a bit of work going on in agriculture in relation to reducing our food import bill by 2025 by producing a lot more locally in order to help us reduce the cost to the consumers in terms of the cost of food because, yes, we recognise the cost of food is hurting all of us," stated Hon Phillips.

She advised that the Government is putting things in place to make sure there is more investment in agriculture and farming, as in doing so it will eventually be able to reduce the cost of food to all the consumers. In reference to the Ministry of Agriculture's approach to the 25 by 2025 agenda, which aims to reduce the food import bill by 25% in 2025, the Hon Senator asserted: "We are really working on that as a government in other areas."

According to the Minister, the Seniors' Health Fair was hosted by the Department of Ageing as part of its Seniors Enrichment Programme for seniors drawn from around the island to meet as a group where they could learn more about their well-being. The health fair was a partnership with the Ministry of Health, and the Disabilities Service Unit of her Ministry.

"We have different stations for our seniors to check their blood pressure, their blood sugar, dental, also HIV testing, and we have representation from Social Services who will give seniors information about social services that are available to them," explained the Hon Phillip. "We also had a special session for women with disabilities around sexual reproductive health as part of the health fair."

Chairing the proceedings was Supervisor of Homecare Officers, Ms Andria Caines, who was fully supported by Coordinator for Ageing Services, Ms Lyncia Dore. The first to address the seniors was Dr Dwayne Archibald of the Accident and Emergency Department at the Joseph Nathaniel France General Hospital who talked to them on dementia, advising them on how to detect it and how to deal with it.

Dr Archibald told them that while most of the persons use the word elderly, and others use the word geriatric to refer to persons of their ages, he said he prefers the word 'experienced', because they are teaching him. He stated: "You guys have much more experience than I do - you guys know what happens in the world." No sooner had he finished saying that, one of the seniors said to him: "I can teach you - my son is bigger than you."

When the Director in the Ministry of Social Services and Gender Affairs, Ms Patrice Carey, addressed them providing them information on the social services under their remit, she asked them what types of services that they were familiar with. They all answered and said 'PAP'. But on telling them that PAP was just

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Clockwise from top: Dr Dwayne Archibald addresses the seniors; Director in the Ministry of Social Services and Gender Affairs, Ms Patrice Carey; Minister Hon Senator Isalean Phillip; Fitness Trainer, Mr Delwayne Delaney conducts chair exercises for the seniors.

Ageing and Disabilities minister assures government is working on reducing cost of food

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one, and later updating them on its current status as LIFT, they mentioned other services like school uniforms, food assistance and medical among others.

They were also addressed by the National HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinator and Health Educator in the Ministry of Health, Dr Mathias Afortu-Ofre, on AIDS and sexual health. Fitness Trainer and former international sprinter, Mr Delwayne Delaney, who is also the President of the SKN Athletics, gave the seniors several chair exercises, which they participated with gusto as they were joined by Minister Isalean Phillip.

Working from the tents at the health fair were Ministry of Health officers who

conducted blood glucose tests, and checked blood pressure; the oral hygiene tent that had officers from the Newtown Dental Clinic, led by Dr Randy Liburd; Department of Community Development and Social Services; the National HIV/AIDS Programme; and the Elevate Programme.

The only function at the health fair that did not involve the seniors was at the tent which housed female members of the Association of Persons Living with Disabilities, and from Ade's Place. According to PS Mrs Janelle Lewis-Tafari, they had a segment where they had a special presentation on sexual and reproductive health which was conducted by Health Educator, Mrs Lucine Vaughan.

Activities at this tent were coordinated by Ms Travia Douglas, Disability Services Programme Officer, under the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Ageing and Disabilities.

"I would like to extend a heartfelt 'thank you' to those agencies that would have responded and come on board to partner with us," said Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Ageing and Disabilities, Mrs Janelle Lewis-Tafari. "The Ministry of Health who would have come to do checks for blood pressure, diabetes, and they also sent their dental team to do oral checks for our seniors. They also had a team doing HIV testing."

She also thanked the Ministry of Social Services especially for sharing more information on the LIFT Programme, and the Elevate Programme of which she said: "One of their trainees has a little business where she does her manicures, pedicures, so she came and did that to the seniors, and also offered massages for the persons who were here."



The tents - clockwise from top: PS Janelle Lewis-Tafari with her team; Dr Randy Liburd with his team from Newtown Dental Clinic; Elevate Programme tent where seniors came for pedicures and massages; Ministry of Health tent for blood pressure and blood glucose tests.



The seniors were given the opportunity to air their views and they did it not only with a lot of confidence, but also displayed knowledge of their subject as well. Picture on top left shows the senior who led in prayers before the health fair officially opened.

PRESS RELEASE

Three Saints in the Eastern Caribbean Set to Benefit from Strengthened USAID and TaiwanICDF Partnership

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund (TaiwanICDF) have expanded their collaborative efforts in international cooperation for development and humanitarian assistance in the Eastern Caribbean.

The American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) and the Taipei

Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO) signed a Regional Arrangement in Washington D.C. on April 10, under which USAID and TaiwanICDF will further strengthen their cooperation to the benefit of the peoples of St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, and St. Vincent and the



Grenadines. This Arrangement will also strengthen the longstanding partnership between the United States and Taiwan,

With a shared commitment to promoting shared values, including democracy, respect for human rights, transparency, and the rule of law, USAID and TaiwanICDF have identified several key areas of cooperation to better assist these partner countries. These priority areas include: education; agriculture; climate change; disaster preparedness; citizen security; cybersecurity and digital development; and women's economic empowerment.

In cooperation with TaiwanICDF in the partner Eastern Caribbean countries, the United States Agency for International Development/Eastern and Southern Caribbean (USAID/ESC) office, will organize workshops and training, as well as coordinate programming focused on the areas of cooperation.

Recently, USAID/ESC and TaiwanICDF, under the auspices of AIT and TECRO, have collaborated on programs focusing on agriculture and food security, economic growth and development, and education. At the end of April, the two organizations will meet to discuss challenges and responses to agricultural development in the Caribbean with key public and private stakeholders and civil society organizations.

As trusted partners, USAID and TaiwanICDF reaffirm their commitment to advancing shared values, promoting prosperity, and ensuring a prosperous and stable region. Through enhanced cooperation and collaboration, both offices are poised to make significant contributions to regional peace, stability, and prosperity.

Phot caption: Taiwan Representative to the United States Ambassador, Alexander Tah-Ray Yui (left) joined USAID Counselor Clinton D. White, and Managing Director Ingrid Larson of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) (right).

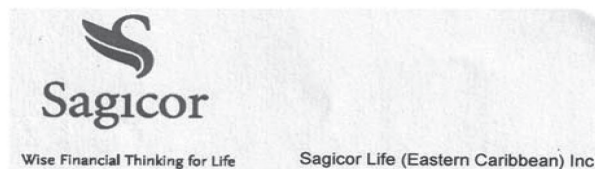
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Maira Parris of **Government Road, Charlestown, Nevis**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. S05507301** issued by **Barbados Mutual Life Assurance Society** and assumed by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on her life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: **05th April, 2024.**

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



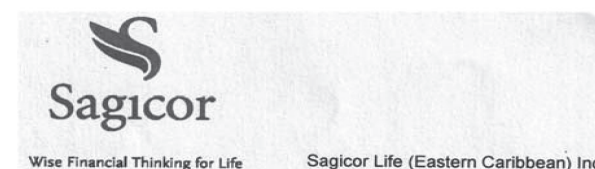
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Dated: **02nd April, 2024.**

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



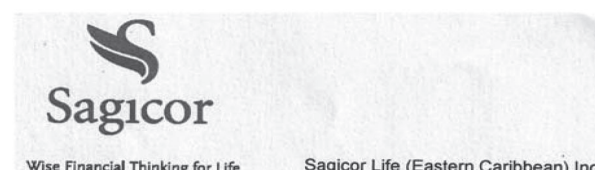
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Titus Paul of **#15 Pine Gardens, Basseterre, St. Kitts** having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. 055402202** issued by **Sagicor Life Inc** and assumed by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on his life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

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Corporate Secretary



SKNLP Constituency Eight Conducts Successful Executive Committee Elections...

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Representative Dr. Terrance Drew- and our community.

The results of the elections are as follows: Chairperson Ms. Avonelle Martin of St.Peter's (59 votes) and Vice Chairpersons: Mr.Doan Ferdinand of Conaree (58 votes) and Mr.Shannoid Bass of St.Peter's (45 votes).

During the elections, the constituency voting body

passed a motion to include the three District Heads as floor members on the executive committee in the persons of Ms. Kelvina Salters (Cayon), Mr.Dominic Stevens (Keys) and Mr. Gavin Williams (St.Peters) while Ms. Valencia Martin (Conaree) was elected as an additional floor member, further enhancing representation and diversity within the constituency's leadership.

The positions of Public Relations Officer, Secretary and Treasurer are appointed roles to be filled within one month of the elections.

Dubai airport re-opens after UAE suffers heavy rain

By Lipika Pelham & Malu Cursino,
BBC News

Operations at Dubai International Airport remain severely disrupted after heavy rains battered the United Arab Emirates and neighbouring countries.

The storm pounded the UAE on Tuesday, flooding roads and the sections of the busy international airport.

Flash floods have now killed 20 people in Oman and one in the UAE.

Some inbound flights resumed on Thursday, but on the whole Dubai International Airport, a major travel hub, is struggling to function.

Many air passengers have told the BBC of scenes of “chaos” at the world’s second-busiest airport, with people unable to travel on their booked flights.

Other “very anxious” and disoriented passengers, some travelling with young children, have posted on social media saying that despite confirmed bookings, their tickets are not being processed, because “check-in/bag drop/passport control [are] not open.”

Authorities at Dubai International Airport said on Thursday that they had started receiving inbound flights at Terminal 1, used by foreign carriers, but that outbound flights continued to be delayed.

They later announced that check-in was open at Terminal 3 for Emirates and flydubai flights.

But they warned that a large number of travellers were waiting to check in and long delays were expected.

Jonathan Finchett, who is at Dubai International Airport, described “apocalyptic scenes” as he saw families barricading themselves behind luggage trolleys and a man appearing to collapse after what he described as a “stampede” towards check-in.

Mr Finchett, from Chester in the UK, landed in Dubai on Tuesday where he was due to catch a connecting flight to Manchester in England.

But when he arrived at the airport he found out no flights were leaving Dubai because of the storm, and was told his flight had been rescheduled for 3:00 local time (00:00 BST) on Thursday, organised by the airline Emirates - the single largest carrier at the airport.

Mr Finchett said he was advised to arrive four hours before his new flight’s check-in time because of the situation at the airport, but at half past midnight he was told “there would be no flights going from Dubai” and check-in for their flight would open at 09:00 on Thursday instead.

Mr Finchett then found out his flight had in fact departed for Manchester at 07:00, while he was stuck in the airport unable to get passed check-in. “It had left without us being able to check-in and get on it,” he told the BBC in frustration.

He said he was then instructed to join a queue to re-book his flight, but “there were hundreds of people stampeding towards this, like a crush”.

Mr Finchett said women were screaming saying “they couldn’t breathe”, and police and paramedics were called because a man seemed not to be breathing as a result of the “stampede”. Space was created around the man and the queue was closed by police, Mr Finchett said.

After eventually speaking to Emirates customer service, Mr Finchett was told “the next available flight to any UK airport was

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Carison Nisbett of #52 Boyd’s Housing Project, St. Kitts, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. K310752** issued by **British American Insurance Company** and assumed by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on his life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: **15th April, 2024.**

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary

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Elton Forbes of Craddock Road, St. Thomas’ Parish, Nevis having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. N100300839** issued by **British American Insurance Company** and assumed by **Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc.** on his life has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: **15th April, 2024.**

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28 April and they’re not willing to put us up in any accommodation”.

He has since booked a flight to Madrid on Sunday in the hope that he can make his way on to the UK from there and is paying to stay in a hotel near the airport in the meantime.

Dubai International Airport said it was “endeavouring to do its best to support passengers”.

“This is the heaviest rainfall the UAE received in 75 years and we’re doing all we can to get operations back to normal,” a statement said.

“As much as possible, we’ve been providing necessary assistance and amenities to affected guests but due to road blockages, it’s taken longer than we would have liked.”

As of Thursday, the next available economy seat on Emirates from Dubai to London Heathrow was on a flight on Wednesday 24 April, according to the airline’s website.

Emirates directed the BBC to its latest update when contacted about the soonest date Emirates passengers heading to the UK could leave Dubai. In the statement, the airline said it had lifted check-

in suspension for Dubai departures, with customers encouraged to check-in online. However, Emirates said it was “aware that many are still waiting to get on flights”. The airline did not specify the next available date UK-bound passengers could leave Dubai.

Officials urged people to travel to the airport only if they had confirmed bookings

Posting on X, formerly known as Twitter, early on Thursday, officials urged people to go to the airport only if they had confirmed bookings.

The head of Dubai airport, Paul Griffiths, said: “It remains an incredibly challenging time. In living memory, I don’t think anyone has ever seen conditions like it.”

Anne Wing, a British tourist who was with her husband and three children hoping to fly to London Heathrow, told the BBC: “It’s horrific, we are squashed in like animals - it is dangerous and inhumane.”

She added: “Passengers were shouting and rioting at the connection desk, there were no staff to be seen.”

She said her family had not eaten since lunchtime, and all that had been provided were some “small cartons of water”.

Airport authorities say that the staff are facing difficulties to get food to stranded passengers as all the roads leading to the airport are blocked by flood waters.

As many road closures are still in place, some motorists remain trapped in vehicles or stranded on the roadside due to the rising water levels around them.

Al Arabiya TV reported that in Ras al-Khaimah a 70-year-old man died after his vehicle was swept away by strong current.

Emergency services worked to clear the waterlogged roads on Thursday to assess people trapped in traffic, offices and homes.

The airport, which last year served more than 80 million passengers, second only to Atlanta in the United States, warned recovery would take “some time”.

The surrounding roads remain gridlocked because of overcrowding with people trying to reach the airport.

On Wednesday, about 300 flights were cancelled and hundreds

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United States and Regional Security System Host Cybersecurity Seminar for Caribbean Nations

The William J. Perry Center at the National Defense University in the United States, in collaboration with the Regional Security System (RSS) and the United States Department of Defense Southern Command, organized a three-day seminar focused on cybersecurity issues from April 9-11, 2024, at the RSS facility in Bridgetown, Barbados. Representatives from the Caribbean, including Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, The Bahamas, Trinidad and Tobago, and the United States, participated in the seminar. The event aimed to enhance regional cooperation and build capacity in cybersecurity to safeguard critical infrastructure.

The seminar featured the participation of cybersecurity experts, including Chancellor of the College of Information and Cyberspace (CIC) and program manager of cybersecurity at the Perry Center Dr. Cassandra Lewis, alongside CIC faculty members, and subject matter experts from the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the U.S. Department of Justice. Together, they shared invaluable insights and best practices to mitigate cybersecurity threats and strengthen resilience.

U.S. Embassy Senior Defense Official Commander Jamie Collins emphasized the importance of collaboration in addressing cybersecurity challenges: "Last summer, the Government of Barbados and the Barbados Defence Force reached out to the United States to ask for help on all aspects of cybersecurity. The United States Southern Command has worked with Embassy Bridgetown's fantastic team from U.S. government agencies to deliver a comprehensive assistance package to Barbados and the broader Caribbean region. This week's seminar is just part of that ongoing engagement. Together, we are making the Caribbean safer and more secure as we work to counter shared threats and bolster our collective security."

Information Systems Officer for the Regional Security System Captain Barry Marshall hailed the seminar as a valuable opportunity for knowledge exchange and cooperation: "The seminar has proven to date to be a very informative event. Information shared has provide sources and methods that would facilitate major development for our individual organization and regional cooperation as well in the cybersecurity arena."

Commander Roger Nurse of the Guyana delegation stated, "We are elated to have been part of this William J. Perry Center and Regional Security System sponsored seminar. The delegation was particularly impressed with the presentations on the frontier technologies shaping cyberspace and the advice, coaching, and guidance given to counter the threats on the horizon of our digital world. We are grateful for the opportunity to participate and look forward to continued collaboration with our United States and Caribbean counterparts."

Alaysha Hasbun from the National Security Directorate of Belize remarked, "The Regional Security System Cybersecurity Seminar in Barbados provided a forum for collaborative and interactive discussions among Caribbean countries and the United States of

America. By bringing together regional leaders within the cyber domain, this event promises benefits not just for participating countries but also for advancing regional progress and prosperity."

Dubai airport re-opens after UAE suffers heavy rain

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more were delayed.

The UAE recorded its heaviest rainfall in recorded history. Up to 259.5mm (10.2in) of rain fell on the usually arid country on Tuesday.

The state-run news agency called the rain "a historic weather event" that surpassed "anything documented since the start of data collection in 1949".

Roads to hard-hit communities and facilities remain flooded and footage on social media showed dozens of submerged vehicles and long traffic jams. Most supermarkets and shopping malls also remain closed, and home delivery services are largely out of action.

Although the UAE reportedly had sunny spells on Thursday, authorities have warned that more thunderstorms, heavy rain and strong winds were forecast in the region. In Oman, more than 1,400 people have been evacuated to shelters, while schools and government offices have been closed.

The UAE's president, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan has ordered a review of the country's infrastructure impacted by the severe weather. He asked authorities to assess the damage and provide support to affected families, including transferring them to safe locations.

Videos online nevertheless showed people wading through floodwater to reach their abandoned cars to check if they would start.

In a conciliatory message on X, Dubai's ruler, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, said: "Crises reveal the strength of countries and societies... and the natural climate crisis that we experienced showed great care, awareness, cohesion and love for every corner of the country from all its citizens and residents."

Additional reporting by James Kelly.

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Jofra Archer: England bowler keen to avoid 'another stop-start year' after injury problems

From the section Cricket



Jofra Archer during a net session with England
Jofra Archer is hoping to be fit to play for England at the T20 World Cup in June

Jofra Archer says he will struggle to cope with any more injury setbacks, saying: "I don't know if I've got another stop-start year in me."

Since winning the World Cup with England in 2019, Archer has been plagued by injuries and last played competitively in May 2023.

A recurrence of a stress fracture in his right elbow last year has since ruled him out.

But the fast bowler is hoping to return in time for the T20 World Cup in June.

"It's been a while and honestly, I don't know if I've got another stop-start year in me. That's the truth, I don't know if I've got another one," he told the 4Cast's Athlete's Voice podcast.

"I haven't played cricket for a whole 12 months as yet. Last year I played from January to May.

"I think the year before that I played maybe one or two games

for Sussex, so you know I've had a whole year of nothing."

Sciver-Brunt & Cummins named leading cricketers

Archer had gone nearly two years without playing international cricket before featuring in four one-day internationals and three T20s between January and March 2023.

Despite that, England will be keen to have the seamer in their squad as they try to defend their T20 World Cup crown.

The tournament in the United States and Caribbean begins on 1 June.

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LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

**To the Magistrate,
District "A"**

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Javid Ali now residing in Pine Garden, Shadwell in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that it is my intention to apply on 02nd day of July 2024, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Cosma Cove Cocktail Bar in Camps Food Court in Buckley's Estate in Basseterre.

Dated this
15th day of April, 2023.

Signed : Javid Ali

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**To the Magistrate,
District "A"**

To the Superintendent of Police.

WE, Roxan Phillip & Denna Merchant now residing in Shear Lane in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that it is our intention to apply on 02nd day of July 2024, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of our premises in Basseterre in St. Kitts.

Dated this
12th day of April, 2023.

Signed : R. Phillip

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

**To the Magistrate,
District "A"**

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Berto Domingo Rawlins now residing in Fort Thomas Road in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that it is my intention to apply on 02nd day of July 2024, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Latin Rumbu Bar in Fort Thomas Road in Basseterre in St. Kitts.

Dated this
10th day of April, 2023.

Signed : Berto D. Rawlins

LIQUOR LICENCES ORDINANCES, 1906 SCHEDULE A

**To the Magistrate,
District "B"**

To the Superintendent of Police.

WE, Gary Lacon and Lisa Richardson now residing in Palmetto Point in Trinity Parish do hereby give you notice that it is our intention to apply on 02nd day of July 2024, to the District Magistrate at Sandy Point for a Wholesale Liquor Licence in respect of our premises in Cool Runnings Beverage Depot in Palmetto Point in Trinity Parish in St. Kitts.

Dated this
09th day of April, 2023.

Signed : Gary Lacon

Water extraction and weight of buildings see half of China’s cities sink

By Matt McGrath,
Environment correspondent
Nearly half of China’s major cities are sinking because of water extraction and the increasing weight of their rapid expansion, researchers say.

Some cities are subsiding rapidly, with one in six exceeding 10mm per year.

China’s rapid urbanisation in recent decades means far more water is now being drawn up to meet people’s needs, scientists say.

In coastal cities, this subsidence threatens millions of people with flooding as sea levels rise.

China has a long history of dealing with subsiding land, with both Shanghai and Tianjin showing evidence of sinking back in the 1920s. Shanghai has sunk more than 3m over the past century.

In more modern times, the country is seeing widespread evidence of subsidence in many of the cities that have expanded rapidly in recent decades.

To understand the scale of the problem, a team of researchers from several Chinese universities have examined 82 cities, including all with a population over 2 million.

They’ve used data from the Sentinel-1 satellites to measure vertical land motions across the country.

Looking across the period from 2015 to 2022, the team was able to work out that 45% of urban areas are subsiding by more than 3mm per year.

Around16% of urban land is going down faster than 10mm a year, which the scientists describe as a rapid descent.

Put another way, this means 67 million people are living in rapidly sinking areas.

The researchers say that the cities facing the worst problems are concentrated in the five regions highlighted on the map below.

The scale of decline is influenced by a number of factors, including geology and the weight of buildings. But a major element, according to the authors, is groundwater loss.

This essentially means the extraction of water underneath or near cities for use by the local population.

This has already been seen in several major urban areas around the world including Houston, Mexico City and Delhi.

In China, the research team were able to associate the extraction of water from over 1,600 monitoring wells with increasing levels of subsidence.

“I think the water extraction is, to my mind, probably the dominant reason,” said Prof Robert Nicholls, from the University of East Anglia, who was not involved in

the research.

“In China there are lots of people living in areas that have been fairly recently sedimented, geologically speaking. So when you take out groundwater or you drain the soils, they tend to subside.”

Other factors that are influencing subsidence include urban transportation systems and mining for minerals and coal.

In the northern region of Pingdingshan, one of the largest coal areas in the country, land is subsiding at an extremely rapid 109mm per year.

The authors of the study say that a big threat going forward is the exposure of urban populations to flooding, from a combination of subsidence and sea level rise brought about by climate change.

In 2020, around 6% of China had a relative elevation below sea level. In 100 years time, this could rise to 26% of the country in a mid to high carbon emissions scenario.

The researchers say the land is sinking faster than the seas are rising, but together they would put hundreds of millions at risk of flooding.

However, research shows that there are effective strategies that can combat the slow decline.

Subsidence issues have afflicted other major urban centres in Asia, including Osaka and Tokyo in Japan in the past.

“Tokyo subsided around the port area, up to five metres in the 20th century,” said Prof Nicholls.

“But in the 1970s, they provided good piped water from other areas and they also had a law saying you will not use well water and essentially it stopped the subsidence.”

The study has been published in the journal Science.

Gen Francis Ogolla: Kenya helicopter crash kills country’s military chief

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President Ruto is seen with the chief of the Kenya Defence Forces General Francis Ogolla in this photo on 28 February

Kenya’s military chief, Gen Francis Omondi Ogolla, has died after a military helicopter crashed in the west of the country, the president said.

Gen Ogolla - Kenya’s highest ranking military officer - was in the helicopter alongside 11 other military personnel. Only two people survived.

In a news conference, President William Ruto said it was a “moment of great sadness” for the country.

He had earlier convened an urgent security council

meeting.

Mr Ruto said the crash happened at 14:20 local time (12:20 BST). The Kenya Air Force has dispatched an air investigation team to establish the cause of the crash, the president said.

The helicopter came down in Elgeyo Marakwet county, some 400km (250 miles) north-west of the capital Nairobi. “Unfortunately, the aircraft crashed shortly after take off,” Mr Ruto said.

Gen Ogolla was appointed by Mr Ruto in April last year, after serving as the Commander of the Air Force and Deputy Chief of Defence Forces.

Mr Ruto described Gen Ogolla -who was also the chief military adviser to the president - as a gallant officer who died in the line of duty.

Getty Images Chief of Kenya Defence Forces General Francis Ogolla (C) gestures as Britain’s King Charles III (unseen) and Kenyan President William Ruto (unseen) arrive at the tomb of the Unknown Warrior during a wreath laying ceremony at Uhuru Gardens in Nairobi on October 31, 2023.Getty Images

“Our motherland has lost one of her most valiant generals, gallant officers, service men and woman,” Mr Ruto told the nation.

The nation will observe a three-day period of mourning, commencing on Friday 19 April. The flags in the Republic of Kenya and in Kenyan missions abroad will fly at half mast, Mr Ruto said.

Gen Ogolla first joined the Kenya Defence Forces on 24 April 1984, according to the Kenyan defence ministry’s website.

He was due to mark 40 years in the military next week.

He began his career as a 2nd Lt in the country’s air force, where he trained as a fighter pilot with the US Air Force, the ministry says. In 2018, he became Commander of the Kenya Air Force - a role which he held until becoming the country’s military chief.

Nine others killed in the crash were senior military officers: Brig Swale Saidi, Col Duncan Keittany, Lt Col David Sawe, Maj George Benson Magondu, Capt Sora Mohamed, Capt Hillary Litali, Snr Sgt John Kinyua Mureithi, Sgt Cliphonce Omondi, and Sgt Rose Nyawira.

Moussa Faki Mahamat, chair of the African Union Commission, said “our thoughts and prayers” go out to Kenya’s president, government and people following the “tragic helicopter accident”.

The two survivors are in critical condition and undergoing treatment.

The officers had travelled to Kenya’s North Rift region, which has been plagued by banditry.

They were on a mission to reopen some of the schools closed following bandit attacks. They had also visited military officers deployed to stabilise the region.

The incident marks the second time in three years that a helicopter crash has killed at least 10 military officers in Kenya.

At least 10 soldiers were killed in June 2021 when their helicopter crashed while landing near the capital of Nairobi.

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Meg Lanning: Former Australia captain says weight loss and insomnia led to international retirement

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Australia women celebrate winning the T20 World Cup in 2023
Meg Lanning (centre with trophy) took a break in 2022 before returning to win the T20 World Cup in February 2023

Meg Lanning says that her relationship with food and exercise “spiralled” and led to her surprise international retirement.

Former Australia captain Lanning, 32, retired in November 2023 after missing the summer’s Ashes for medical reasons.

She said that she was running up to 90 kilometres a week and only eating two small meals a day.

“I was over-exercising and under-fuelling,” Lanning told the Howie Games podcast.

“It sort of just spiralled and I was in denial, even though everyone kept telling me something wasn’t quite right.

“I was not in a place to be able to go on tour and play cricket and give the commitment levels required for that Ashes series mentally and physically.”

Lanning retired as one of the sport’s most successful players and captains, leading her side to 50-over World Cup glory in 2022, four T20 titles and Commonwealth Games gold in 2022.

She made her Australia debut in 2010

aged 18 and went on to make 241 international appearances for her country.

But towards the end of her glittering career, Lanning said things were “out of whack” and she became “a different person” as a result.

“It became a bit of an obsession,” she added. “It was a way I could escape mentally. I would throw the headphones in. I wouldn’t take my phone with me. I really liked that because I felt like I was in control.”

Lanning says she did not label it as an eating disorder but she did seek help, and now says she is in “a good spot” after also struggling with insomnia.

“I dreaded night time because I knew I would go to bed and not be able to sleep,” she said.

“I disengaged a lot from friends and family. I didn’t realise that I was doing this and it sort of became a new normal.

“But I’ve really started to understand how actually talking to people and letting people know can actually help.”

Lanning continues to play domestic cricket, having recently led Delhi Capitals to the Women’s Premier League final and she was signed by London Spirit to play in The Hundred for the first time

Rory McIlroy: ‘I’ll play the PGA Tour for the rest of my career’ - world number two dismisses LIV Golf link

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Jon Rahm and Rory McIlroy shake hands on the range at the Masters

IMAGE SOURCE,GETTY IMAGES

McIlroy says there is no chance of him joining LIV Golf, who signed the Northern Irishman’s Ryder Cup team-mate Jon Rahm

Rory McIlroy says he will play on the PGA Tour “for the rest of my career” as he quashed rumours of him making a big-money move to LIV Golf.

A report by City AM on Sunday said the four-time major winner had been offered \$850m (£683m) to join the Saudi Arabian-backed circuit.

But McIlroy dismissed the report in an interview with Golf Channel, external on Tuesday.

“I honestly don’t know how these things get started,” said the Northern Irishman, 34.

“I’ve never been offered a number from LIV and have never contemplated going to LIV.”

McIlroy has been one of LIV Golf’s most vocal critics since the breakaway tour was launched in 2022.

However, he admitted to feeling like a “sacrificial lamb” after a framework agreement between the PGA Tour and the Public Investment Fund, which funds LIV, was announced in June last year.

‘My future is on PGA Tour and it’s never been any different’

But while LIV managed to add McIlroy’s Ryder Cup team-mates Jon Rahm and Tyrrell Hatton to its ranks for the 2024 season, the world number two has reiterated that his future remains on

the PGA Tour.

“I think I’ve made it clear over the past two years that I don’t think it’s something for me,” McIlroy added of LIV.

“It doesn’t mean I judge people that have went and played over there. I think one of the things I’ve realised over the past two years is people can make their own decisions for whatever they think is best for themselves. Who are we to judge them for that?

“For me, my future is here on the PGA Tour and it’s never been any different.”

He added: “It’s never even been a conversation for us. It’s one of those things, it’s unfortunate that we have to deal with it but I’m obviously here today and I’m playing this PGA Tour event next week and will play the PGA Tour for the rest of my career.”

McIlroy is coming off a disappointing week at the Masters, where he finished in a tie for 22nd in his latest unsuccessful bid to complete the career grand slam.

The 24-time PGA Tour winner is playing in this week’s RBC Heritage in South Carolina before teaming up with Ireland’s Shane Lowry for next week’s Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

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