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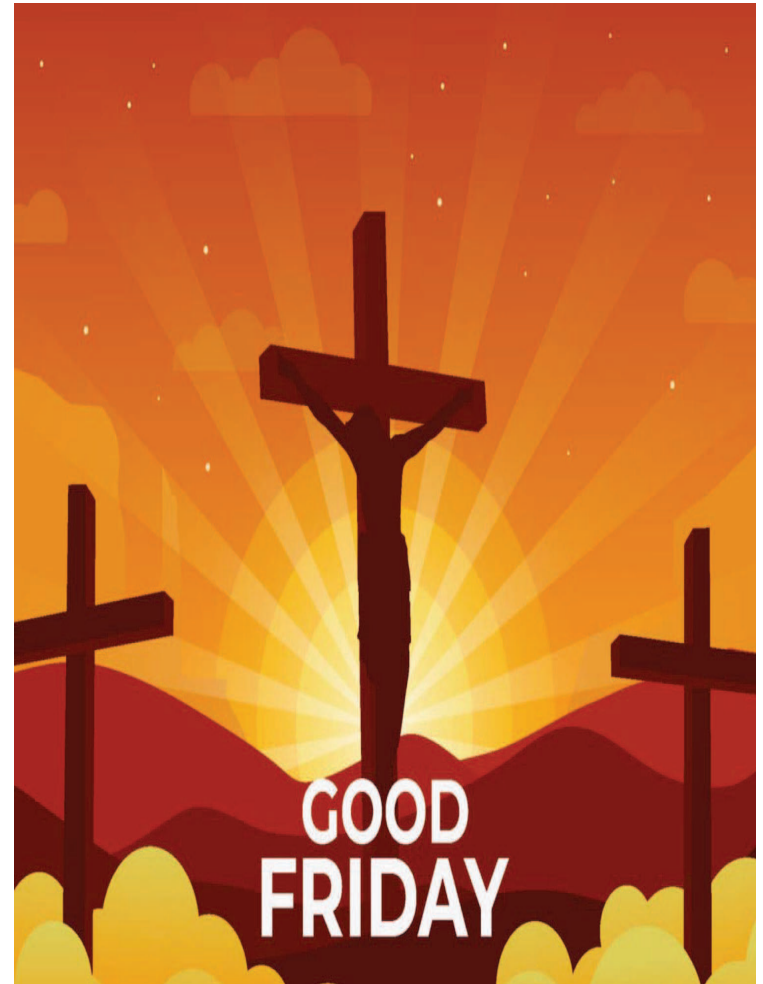
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Editorial

Lent: A Discipline Worthy Of Living Daily

Each year, the Lenten season draws Christians across the globe into a period of reflection, repentance, fasting, and spiritual realignment. But as we observe this sacred season once more, an important question arises - Why is the kind of discipline exercised during Lent often left behind when the season ends?

Lent is more than a ceremonious routine or a religious tradition; it is an invitation into a lifestyle marked by self-control, humility, and deeper communion with God. The decision to give up social media, to fast from meat, or to carve out quiet time for prayer is not simply ritualistic-it is an act of intentional realignment, where our spiritual compass points away from the noise of the world and toward the presence of the Creator.

If we truly grasp the biblical call that we are 'in the world, but not of the world,' then our attitudes, habits, and lifestyle choices should reflect a higher calling-a divine connection to something greater than ourselves. Lent, therefore, becomes a mirror. It shows us not just who we are, but who we are meant to be.

Too often, though, we treat this season as a 40-day exercise rather than a doorway into deeper living. We may fast, refrain from indulgences, or commit to acts of charity, only to return to the distractions, excesses, and disconnections that once held us captive. But what if the discipline of Lent wasn't an interruption, but the standard?

In a world that rewards instant gratification, Lent invites us to slow down. In a culture that praises self-promotion, Lent calls us to humility. And in an age of constant noise, Lent leads us to silence where the voice of God can be heard.

During this season, many choose to give up meat and eat fish instead, a reminder of simplicity and sacrifice. Others abandon their screens and socials, choosing instead to focus on stillness and Scripture. These practices, though deeply personal, are profoundly communal in their spiritual impact. Yet they are not meant to be broadcast or turned into performing acts. As Scripture reminds us, when we fast, we should not do so for show. The beauty of Lent lies in its quiet discipline-a surrender that isn't loud but transformative.

We must challenge ourselves: why should the focus on God end with Easter? If we can discipline our hearts, minds, and souls during Lent, can we not continue this path of discipline beyond the season? The divine realm calls not only for seasonal observance but for a daily walk-a lifestyle anchored in intentionality and spiritual awareness.

In a world that constantly pulls our gaze downward, Lent teaches us to lift our eyes upward. Let that upward gaze remain, not just for 40 days, but for all our days.

Let Lent not be a pause, but a beginning.

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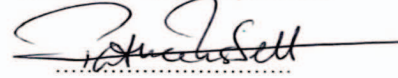
In the Estate of CASILLA TOTA ALSO KNOWN AS SONIA TOTA late of Taylors
 Development, St. George Parish, St. Kitts, deceased

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **HASINA TALIBAH DALILA TOTA** of Taylors Development St George Parish in the island of St. Kitts for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is one of the children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 15th day of June, 2018 in the parish of St George in the island of St. Kitts.

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

Dated this 7th day of April 2025.



Patrice D. Nisbett
HECTOR & NISBETT
 Attorney-at-Law for the Applicant

Filed by: Filed by: **Hector and Nisbett**, Attorneys-at-law for the Administratrix, whose address for service is North Memorial Square Street Charlestown, Nevis.

Statement from the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis on the Escalation of Tensions in the Taiwan Strait

The Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis observes with profound and growing concern the recent escalation of tensions in the Taiwan Strait. As a small island sovereign state, deeply committed to the principles of self-determination and the peaceful resolution of disputes, Saint Kitts and Nevis firmly supports the fundamental right of all peoples to explore and assert their freedoms and aspirations within a progressive and supportive global space, free from coercion and intimidation.

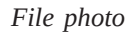
Saint Kitts and Nevis believes unequivocally in the peaceful coexistence of all nations and peoples, founded on mutual respect and understanding. In this context, we voice our strong support for the Government and People of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to engage with the international community as a recognized sovereign state, with all the rights and responsibilities that such recognition entails. We firmly believe that the voices and perspectives of the twenty-three million people of Taiwan deserve to be heard and respected on the global stage.

We hold the conviction that all societies, regardless of size or geopolitical influence, should be allowed to advance their development and chart their own course without fear of aggression, intimidation, or the threat of conflict. Saint Kitts and Nevis underscores the fundamental importance of Sustainable Development Goal 16 which promotes peace, justice, and strong institutions in all nations as the bedrock for global stability, fairness, and prosperity for all. We believe that adherence to international law and the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations are paramount in ensuring a peaceful and just world order.

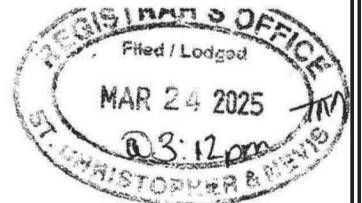
Furthermore, Saint Kitts and Nevis expresses its sincere concern for the safety, security, and welfare of its valued citizens who presently live, work, and pursue their educational endeavours in Taiwan. We firmly believe that it is only within an atmosphere of sustained peace and stability that our citizens, and all individuals residing in Taiwan, will be able to flourish, contribute meaningfully to their host society, and serve effectively as responsible global citizens. Disruptions to this peaceful environment pose a direct threat to their well-being and their ability to pursue their aspirations.

Therefore, the Government and People of Saint Kitts and Nevis extend its unwavering solidarity to the Government and People of the Republic of China (Taiwan) during this period of heightened tension.

We earnestly advocate for the peaceful recognition of their inherent sovereign rights through a sustained and genuine de-escalation of tensions, encouraging all parties to prioritise dialogue, diplomacy, and mutual understanding as the pathway to a lasting and peaceful resolution. We urge all actors to exercise restraint and commit to peaceful means, upholding the principles of international law and the sanctity of peace for the benefit of all.



Registrar of the Supreme Court



Mikyle Louis Ready For Breakout League Challenge

As anticipation builds for the inaugural staging of the West Indies Breakout League, regional players are eager to entertain fans across the Caribbean and around the world when the first ball is delivered at the Brian Lara Cricket Academy on April 25, in the opener between the Guyana Rainforest Rangers and the Windward Islands Infernos. A day later, the Leeward Islands Thunder will face off against the Jamaica Titans, and there is a growing sense of expectancy from Thunder's batter, Mikyle Louis.



Standing at over six feet tall, the 24-year-old Louis - who made his international debut at the renowned Lord's Cricket Ground in England in Tests in 2024 - is looking forward to the Breakout League as a pathway to enhance and evolve his skillset in this format.

"Initially, when I heard rumours about the West Indies Breakout League, I thought it was one of the best initiatives in a long while in West Indies cricket, because I just felt like there are many youngsters around the Caribbean who have the ambition to play cricket, but because we don't have many avenues, we don't get the opportunity to play," Louis said.

"I believe this Breakout League is a great initiative for the younger ones in the Caribbean to get an opportunity to show people that they have what it takes to actually play cricket at an elite and professional level."

There is real excitement across the region among up-and-coming cricketers about this tournament and the opportunities it brings to showcase their talents at the highest level.

"A well-structured tournament creates a feeder system for franchises. Players get noticed earlier in their careers, with performance statistics to back them," Louis added.

"I've had a few conversations with players from around the league who, to this day, haven't been able to play any cricket - any professional-level cricket. And the conversation is basically the same. Everybody's eager to show the Caribbean that they are good enough."

For Louis, the tournament creates an avenue for Caribbean fans to connect with the new and emerging generation of West Indian players who will carry on the legacy of the brand.

"Young players bring excitement, swagger, and a familiar connection with the next generation of fans. This could, in turn, help to revive the passion for the game, with familiar faces promoting cricket to their individual fan bases on ever-growing social media platforms."

Having tasted the game at the international level, the Kittitian still has an appetite to represent the region across all formats.

"I would love to represent the West Indies in all formats. So, I think this is a good opportunity for me because I'll be given more responsibility - unlike the CPL, where I don't have much, and it's more on the senior players. In this Breakout League, we're going to share that responsibility."

ABOUT THE WEST INDIES BREAKOUT LEAGUE

The West Indies Breakout League is a premier T20 cricket tournament designed to spotlight emerging talent from across the Caribbean. The league will feature teams representing the six territorial boards that



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In the matter of Section 92 of the Title by
Registration Act, Cap. 10.19
and
In the matter of an Application to settle
Articles of Sale of the Respondent's
property comprised in a Certificate of
Title dated 31st January, 2012 registered
in Register Book 50 Folio 27

THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED Applicant
and
ANDREW TITLEY Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of The Supreme Court by public auction at the Court House, Charlestown, Nevis on the 2nd day of May, 2025 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

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

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Springhill Estate in the Parish of St. James in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **On or towards the North East by a Ghaut 523.50 feet; On or towards the East by Lot No. 22 and Lot No. 21, 166.76 feet; On or towards the South East by a cul-de-sac 73.65 feet and by Lot No. 17, 429.82 feet and On or towards the North West by lands of Caribbean islands Development (Nevis) Ltd. 179.78 feet and comprising 2.0 acres**

UPSET PRICE

The upset price for the above property shall be EC\$348,480.00.

Dated the 9th day of April, 2025.


Asst REGISTRAR





comprise Cricket West Indies: Barbados Pelicans, Guyana Rainforest Rangers, Jamaica Titans, Leeward Islands Thunder, Trinidad & Tobago Legions and the Windward Islands Infernos.

Players eligible to participate must be under 30 years old or at the start of the tournament, have played fewer than 40 List A T20 matches and fewer than 10 international T20s, ensuring a focus on developing new talent. Each team is closely affiliated with a Caribbean Premier League (CPL) franchise, providing players with an opportunity to showcase their skills on a larger stage and progress their cricketing careers.

Sagicor names top performing employees for 2024 across the Eastern Caribbean and Belize at Annual Awards in Grenada

St Georges, Grenada - Insurance giant Sagicor celebrated the excellence of top performers in its Eastern Caribbean and Belize markets at the 2024 Annual Awards ceremony held on Saturday, April 12, at Sandals Resort in Grenada. The event, themed “Iconic - Excellence in Action,” was an inspiring occasion to honour the outstanding contributions of sales and administrative staff who went above and beyond in their roles throughout 2024. Awards were handed out and team members from Antigua and Barbuda, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia and St Vincent and the Grenadines were recognised for their outstanding work. In addition to recognising top performers from Sagicor Life and Sagicor General, staff was also recognised from Sagicor Finance Inc which is based in St Lucia.

The prestigious awards recognized individuals for their exceptional performances across various categories as well as educational achievements and length of service.

This year, 38 team members were recognised for their long service to the company which is celebrating 145 years of business in 2025. Persons who have served the organisation for 5 years up to 35 years were celebrated for their individual commitment with two team members: Maureen Lionel and Veronica Poleon from St Lucia crossing the stage for 35 years of service.

The major award winners include:

- Sagicor Life
- * Contributor of the Year - Tanya Bermudez, Belize
 - * Employee of the Year - Theresa Emmanuel, St. Lucia
 - * Manager of the Year - Cherryl-Ann Boca, Grenada
 - * Rookie of the Year - Shenia Frederick, Grenada
 - * Top Advisor of the Year - Sonika McKie, Grenada

- Sagicor General Insurance Inc
- * Contributor of the Year - Dierdre George, Antigua
 - * Employee of the Year - Dierdre George, Antigua
 - * Manager of the Year - Gemma Howell, Antigua
 - * Rookie of the Year - Aliyah Rayne, Antigua

SAGICOR LIFE (EASTERN CARIBBEAN) INC.

Deswart Douglas of **Sea Breeze Cresent, Frigate Bay, St. Kitts**, having made sworn deposition that **Policy No. 055402297** 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.

Dated: **27th March, 2025.**

By Order
Althea C. Hazzard
Corporate Secretary



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Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc

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In the Estate of **ILa Kay Loomis** of Ramsbury Site, St. Paul’s Parish, Nevis, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **Stephanie Marie Hall** of Ramsbury Site, St. Paul’s Parish, Nevis, for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above deceased who died on the 8th day of April, 2025 without revoking a will bearing date the 21st day of April, 2023 wherein the applicant is named the sole executrix.

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 15th day of April, 2025


Belva L. Nisbett
Nisbetts, Solicitors

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

Sagicor Finance Inc
* Manager of the Year - Jenne Theodore, St Lucia

These individuals were selected for their exceptional leadership, dedication, and performance, each contributing to the continued success and growth of Sagicor in the Eastern Caribbean and Belize.

Additionally, for the second time in three years, Sagicor Life Grenada under the sales stewardship of Berry James was awarded Unit of the Year and Agency of the Year for Annual Premium Income and Cases. Sagicor Life St Kitts and Nevis took home General Agency, celebrating another straight year of success for Agency Manager, Denrick Connor.

In his remarks, Robert Trestrail, Group President and CEO of Sagicor Life Inc, congratulated the awardees for their hard work and commitment, stating, “ Our brand’s strength lies not just in financial results or product offerings, but in you - our people. Your actions, your values, and your tireless service form the foundation of our success. You are the icons of excellence, and your stories inspire others to follow.”

Paul Inniss, CEO Designate for Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc., also expressed his admiration for the awardees: “The passion and excellence demonstrated by our employees across the region is what sets Sagicor apart. These awards highlight the very best of what we stand for - a team that is driven by excellence, teamwork, and a shared commitment to service. Congratulations to all of our winners for their remarkable achievements.”

The ceremony was attended by Sagicor employees

from across the region, along with senior management, who gathered to celebrate the significant accomplishments of their colleagues and reinforce the company’s values of excellence, integrity, and customer service.

As Sagicor continues its legacy of innovation and leadership in the financial services industry, the company remains committed to recognizing and nurturing its talent across the Eastern Caribbean and Belize, ensuring that every achievement is celebrated, and every success is acknowledged.

UNIT OF THE YEAR:
Team Grenada spends a moment in the spotlight after receiving the award for Unit of the Year.

BRANCH OF THE YEAR:
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Prime Minister Drew Takes Legal Action Over Defamatory Publication

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, April 11, 2025 (PMO) - The Prime Minister's Office, St. Kitts and Nevis confirms that Prime Minister the Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew has initiated legal action in response to a publication by Ms. Annette Frank of grave and false allegations against him. This action stresses the gravity with which the Prime Minister views false and malicious attacks on his personal reputation, and that of Prime Minister. It also reflects a commitment to upholding the reputations of persons from the dissemination of baseless and false attacks, and the duty of persons to act responsibly before publishing or republishing false allegations of misconduct.

Acting on the Prime Minister's instructions, his Counsel issued a formal letter to Ms. Frank regarding the false and malicious statements contained in a post published on March 07, 2025. The letter, dated April 07 2025, describes the publication as "scandalous, totally false and defamatory" in nature, and further asserts that the publication was made "with clear malice in order to cause reputational damage."

The Prime Minister considers the matter of utmost seriousness and has not taken this step lightly.

The letter, addressed through legal representation, demands that Ms. Frank: Unequivocally retract the said publication from all media platforms, including social media platforms,

Provide a public apology to the Prime Minister,

Pay a sum of EC\$500,000.00 to compensate the Prime Minister for damage and distress,

Pay EC\$50,000.00 in legal costs, and

An undertaking not to repeat or republish any such defamatory allegations.

The letter warns Ms. Frank: "We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible, but in any event no later than ten (10) days from the date of this letter. In the absence of a speedy and constructive response to this letter within the time specified, the Hon. Prime Minister will have no choice but to issue proceedings for defamation."

This legal response signals that the Prime Minister will vigorously defend his integrity and will not allow malicious publication of falsehoods to go unchallenged.

The Prime Minister reaffirms his commitment to freedom of expression and press freedom, but draws a clear line when such freedoms are weaponized to publish or republish lies and misinformation especially when calculated to harm his reputation.

Further updates on this matter will be provided as necessary.

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In the Estate of **RON JEFFERSON FRAITES**
late of Main Street, Molineaux in the Parish of
Christ Church in the Island of Saint Christopher,
deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **CECELIA B. FRAITES** and **WASHINGTON J. FRAITES** Retiree and Businessman respectively of Main Street, Molineaux, St Kitts, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicants who are the parents of the late **RON JEFFERSON FRAITES** the deceased having died intestate on September 4, 2024.

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

Dated April 7, 2025


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

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ECSE to hold DEAP in Anguilla in June 2025

The Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange (ECSE) will hold the acclaimed Directors' Education and Accreditation Programme (DEAP) in Anguilla over the period 11th - 13th June 2025. The DEAP, which is offered jointly by the ECSE and the Chartered Governance Institute of Canada (CGIC), is an advanced director training course, aimed at preparing directors for the important role that they play in the governance of corporations.

Further details and registration for this programme can be accessed from the ECSE's website at www.ecseonline.com, or by contacting the ECSE by e-mail: info@ecseonline.com; or by telephone: 869 466 7192.

Dr. Osborne Advises How To Be Prepared for Medical Visits

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 17th April 2025) - Medical practitioner Dr. Natalie Osborne is urging patients to come fully prepared for their medical appointments to ensure a more efficient and effective healthcare experience which includes being focused on the main complaint, bringing along referral letters as well as prescription labels.

Dr. Osborne made the appeal while appearing as a guest on Freedom FM's weekly 'SKN Today' morning show with host Jamiella 'Jamie' McPhail on Wednesday 16th April 2025, during a discussion themed '*Habits That Secretly Annoy Your Doctor.*'



Dr. Natalie Osborne (credit: www.umhs-sk.org)

She emphasized that the conversation wasn't about irritation alone, but rather about ensuring optimal care for patients.

"Ultimately, it's not just about the annoyance. It is to help the patient have the best visit and the most out of their visit with the physician. So ultimately it comes back to informing the patient and to ensuring that they are prepared for their visit" Dr. Osborne explained.

She revealed that rising physician burnout is a growing concern globally, with many doctors leaving clinical care for less patient-facing roles.

"This discussion came up because there's a lot of physician burnout, and physicians are leaving clinical care. Persons are going into research, going into teaching that they have left contact with the patient because that part, it can be very tiresome, very stressful, a large number of responsibilities as well, and it's important that your physician does not become burnt out or overwhelmed and you have the best experience. So this discussion is to help you to have the best experience with your doctor, and to meet your doctor half way..."

One of the main tips Dr. Osborne provided was for patients to come with a clear idea of their symptoms.

"you would realize that your time in the physician office goes by very quickly, and so you want to maximize the time that you have. Come in prepared means that you're clear on your symptoms, what's going on with you...when your symptoms began, how extreme it is, the intensity of your pain, how that it has changed, and any other associated symptoms...anything associated with your main complaint, any underlying conditions," she advised.

Patients with chronic illnesses were also encouraged to bring their current medications or have photos of the labels ready.

"It's best to have your medication written up in your phone or take images of the packages so that you're better prepared," she said. "If you're not prepared, then the doctor is asking you what medications you take...and you're unaware [replying] 'Doc a little blue pill...a little green pill...'. Dr. Osborne added: "We [as doctors] do not know the pills like that by the size or the colour. There's thousands of medications."

Bringing past lab results and referrals was also highlighted.

"Do not leave the referral letter at home," she stressed. "If the doctor [provided] the referral letter, they need to know why you're here... so that the physician at that point can be as efficient and effective."

Dr. Osborne cautioned against overloading physicians with multiple unrelated complaints in a single visit.

"We're asking that we focus on the main complaint..." she said. "I know that persons want to maximize but anywhere in the world, there's a chief reason or main complaint that you want to address at that particular time and we've got to stay focused so that we're not distracted by multiple different things and miss the big picture."

Dr. Osborne reassured listeners that doctors are there to support, not judge, and openness helps provide better care.

The discussion offered practical advice that can improve both patient outcomes and reduce stress on healthcare professionals, encouraging a more collaborative doctor-patient relationship.

Front Page image used for illustration purposes only shows a doctor interacting with a patient (Source: DMEPHOTOGRAPHY/ISTOCK.COM)

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The World’s Wealthiest Cities in 2025

For immediate release: London, Tuesday 8 April 2025

The US continues to dominate, with 11 cities on the Top 50 Cities for Millionaires list in the latest World’s Wealthiest Cities Report 2025 ranking, led by New York in 1st place with 384,500 high-net-worth individuals (including 818 resident centi-millionaires, or ‘centis’, with liquid investable wealth of USD 100 million or more, and 66 billionaires). This, according to the 4th edition of the annual report published by international wealth and investment migration specialists Henley & Partners in collaboration with global data intelligence firm New World Wealth. Notably, the Bay Area, which includes the city of San Francisco and Silicon Valley, in 2nd place with 342,400 resident millionaires, is now home to more billionaires (82) than the Big Apple and continues to thrive as the epicenter of technological wealth creation, enjoying exceptional millionaire growth of 98% over the past decade.

Of the Top 50 cities, only Shenzhen (in 28th place, with 142% millionaire growth, and now home to 50,800 millionaires), Hangzhou (35th, with 108% growth and 32,200 millionaires), and Dubai (18th with 102%) grew faster than the Bay Area between 2014 and 2024. Dubai (which now boasts 81,200 resident millionaires, including 237 centis and 20 billionaires) also takes the prize for the biggest climber in the Top 50 over the past year, moving from 21st to 18th place. Seoul is the biggest faller, dropping to 24th place from 19th last year.

Tokyo, fueled by a strong recovery of the Nikkei 225 over the past two years, solidifies its position in 3rd place with 292,300 millionaires in residence, followed by Singapore in 4th place with 242,400 millionaires.

London and Moscow are the biggest losers

Los Angeles (220,600 millionaires, including 516 centis and 45 billionaires) has now overtaken London to claim the 5th spot, pushing the UK capital out of the Top 5 to 6th place with just 215,700 millionaires (including 352 centi-millionaires and 33 billionaires). London and Moscow (which ranks 40th, with 30,000 millionaires, including 178 centis and 23 billionaires) are the only two cities in the Top 50 that have recorded negative growth over the past decade, with their millionaire populations declining by -12% and -25%, respectively.

Paris (160,100 millionaires) clings onto 7th place, while Hong Kong (154,900 millionaires), now in 8th position, usurps Sydney (152,900 millionaires) and pushes it down into 9th place. Chicago (127,100) leapfrogs over both Beijing (which has dropped two places since last year, from 10th to 12th, now with 114,300 millionaires) and Shanghai (down three places from 11th to 14th with 110,500 millionaires) to claim a place in the Top 10 for the first time. Milan (11th with 115,000 millionaires), Vancouver (29th with 46,400), Miami (32nd with 38,800), Hangzhou (35th with 32,200), Taipei City (38th with 31,400), and Washington DC (41st with 28,900) also all move up the Top 50 Cities for Millionaires list. Meanwhile, Lisbon (50th with 22,200 millionaires) has made its debut this year, with Auckland dropping out.

Dr. Juerg Steffen, CEO of Henley & Partners, says a clear pattern is emerging in 2025: cities that blend investment freedom with lifestyle dividends are winning the competition for mobile capital. “These urban centers share common DNA – robust legal frameworks, sophisticated financial infrastructure, and perhaps most critically, investment migration programs that welcome global talent and capital. Seven of the Top 10 wealthiest cities are in countries with residence by investment programs, creating direct pathways for entrepreneurs and investors seeking access to these wealth hubs.”

Fastest growing wealth hubs over the past decade

Besides Shenzhen, Hangzhou, and Dubai, other cities on the World’s Fastest Growing Wealth Hubs list which have more than doubled their resident millionaire populations over the past 10 years, include US cities Scottsdale (+125% growth) and West Palm Beach (+112%) and the “Silicon Valley of India”, Bengaluru (+120%). Three other American cities - Miami (+94%) whose residents enjoy Florida’s low state taxes, the US capital Washington DC (+92%), and Austin (+90%), dubbed “Silicon Hills” - have also seen notably high growth between 2014 and 2024, as have Polish capital Warsaw (+83% in resident millionaires), Emirati capital Abu Dhabi (+80%), and Riyadh (+65%), the capital city of Saudi Arabia.

Andrew Amoils, Head of Research at New World Wealth, explains that many of these cities are popular destinations for migrating millionaires, while others are

rising tech hubs. “Asia’s top tech hub, Shenzhen is the base city for global tech giants Huawei, Tencent, BYD, DJI and ZTE and has experienced especially strong wealth growth over the past 20 years. It is now arguably the world’s leading city in a number of key tech sub-sectors including computer hardware, electric vehicles, Wi-Fi dongles, mobile phones, flying drones, 5G, energy units and electronics.”

Centi city hotspots over the next decade

Looking beyond the established wealth centers, the World’s Wealthiest Cities Report 2025 also benchmarks wealth in over 100 Centi-Millionaire Hotspots worldwide, with a special spotlight on cities with high growth potential over the next decade (2025 to 2035) to reveal the emerging new geography of super-wealth.

Dubai (currently home to 237 centis) and Abu Dhabi (75 resident centis) lead the pack of anticipated high growth centers, with both Emirati cities projected to see their centi-millionaire populations more than double over the next 10 years. This Middle East wealth shift reflects the region’s strategic pivot towards becoming global financial centers, combined with zero income and capital gains taxes.

Explosive 100%+ growth is also forecast for Delhi (125 centi-millionaires) and Bengaluru (43), signaling the maturation of India’s tech ecosystem and the emergence of a new generation of digital entrepreneurs. Similar trajectories are expected in fast growing European centers like Warsaw (32 centis) and Athens (42 centis), with the Greek capital being boosted by strong inward wealth migration.

Particularly notable are smaller cities providing targeted investment migration pathways, which enable wealthy investors to acquire residence rights in return for making a substantial investment. St. Julian’s and Sliema in Malta (40 centis), Lugano in Switzerland (40 centis), and Latvia’s Riga & J  rmala (11 centis) all are forecast to see 100%+ growth rates in their centi-millionaire populations by 2035.

The future geography of elite wealth

As Dominic Volek, Group Head of Private Clients at Henley & Partners, points out, the concentration of 100%+ growth forecasts in cities offering residence and citizenship by investment programs is no coincidence. “The world’s centi-millionaires are increasingly designing their geographical footprints with the same strategic care they apply to their investment portfolios - diversifying their presence across multiple jurisdictions to mitigate risk while maximizing opportunity. Formal investment migration pathways create systematic entry routes into these rapidly developing regions, enabling forward-looking individuals to situate themselves and their family members within environments designed for both safeguarding and multiplying personal wealth.”

While no African or Central American cities make it into the world’s Top 50 Cities for Millionaires, the report identifies numerous rising stars that are projected to more than double their resident centi-millionaire populations over the next 10 years. George Town and Seven Mile Beach in the Cayman Islands (currently home to 40 centis), San Jos   & Santa Ana (17 centis) in Costa Rica, St. George’s Parish (25 centis) and Hamilton Parish (22 centis) in Bermuda, Monterrey (10) in Mexico, Panama City (21 centis), South Africa’s Cape Town (34 centis), Morocco’s Marrakesh (14 centis), and Kenya’s Nairobi (10 centis) are all forecast to see +100% growth in their super-wealthy communities before 2035.

Most expensive cities in the world

Monaco, arguably the world’s top safe-haven for the super-rich, where the average wealth exceeds USD 20 million, is also the top-ranked city in the world on a wealth per capita basis. Over 40% of the Mediterranean principality’s residents are millionaires - the highest ratio of any city globally. It is also top of the World’s Most Expensive Cities list, with prime 100 to 200 m2 apartment prices regularly exceeding USD 38,800 per m2.

New York City ranks 2nd, with the average price of prime real estate being USD 27,500 per m2, followed by Hong Kong (USD 26,300 per m2) and London (USD 24,000 per m2). Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat in France (USD 21,200 per m2) holds onto 5th place with Paris (USD 20,400 per m2) usurping Sydney (USD 19,500 per m2) to take the 6th spot.

In fact, France boasts the most cities/towns (six including Paris, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, Nice, Cannes, Antibes, and Eze) on this year’s World’s Most Expensive Cities list followed by the US (four including New York City, LA, Palm Beach, and Miami Beach), while Switzerland (Geneva and Lugano) and Italy (Portofino and Porto Cervo) each have two on the latest ranking.

Conserve Water

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St. Kitts and Nevis Parliament Endorses Taiwan’s Participation in International Organizations

Basseterre, St. Kitts, April 17, 2025 (PMO) - The National Assembly of St. Kitts and Nevis today, April 17th, passed a resolution brought forward by Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew, endorsing the Republic of China (Taiwan)’s participation in various international and regional organizations. The resolution, which reaffirms the Federation’s steadfast diplomatic support of Taiwan, was seconded by the Hon. Konris Maynard and subsequently adopted by the House.

The resolution calls for Taiwan’s meaningful participation in key international bodies, including the United Nations, World Health Organization, United Nations Convention on Climate Change, International Civil Aviation Organization, and the International Criminal Police Organization.

Presenting the resolution in Parliament, Prime Minister Drew stated, “Madam Speaker, I rise to read in this part of the House a resolution... to endorse the bid of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to participate internationally in various organizations.”

The resolution highlights Taiwan’s strong diplomatic relationship with St. Kitts and Nevis, and its global contributions to public health, climate action, transnational security, and aviation.

“The profound friendship between our two countries has grown stronger over the years based on shared values, respect for the rule of law, democracy, and human rights,” Dr. Drew said. He added that Taiwan has been “our dedicated partner in public health, as well as in the fight against COVID-19,” and recognized Taiwan’s efforts toward net-zero emissions and enhancing early warning systems for disasters.

The Prime Minister emphasized Taiwan’s importance to global safety and governance.

“Taiwan’s inclusion in mechanisms related to transnational crime and international aviation is indispensable to safeguarding global security and reconnecting the world post-pandemic.”



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WATER SERVICES DEPARTMENT Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Energy, Utilities and Domestic Transport

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

The Government of St. Kitts and Nevis through the St. Kitts Water Services Department (SKWSD) invites quotations for the procurement of three (3) pick-up trucks for our operations. The trucks will be used for transportation of personnel, equipment and materials etc.

Requestor Information		Date of the RFQ	Closing Date
Contact	Mr. Cedrin Williams 869-467-1442 cedrin.williams@gov.kn	26 th March, 2025	7 th May, 2025

Delivery Address
Water Services Department, Needsmust, Basseterre, St. Kitts

Pick-up Truck Specifications

Item	Specification/Requirement
Vehicle Type	Pick-up Truck
Engine Type/Capacity	2.7L, 4-cylinder, Diesel
Transmission	6 Speed Automatic
Drivetrain	Four-Wheel Drive (4x4)
Seating Capacity	Five (5)
Body	Protected Back Glass Bed Liner

RFQ Terms and Conditions

- Suppliers response to the RFQ must be sent to the SKWSD via email to the attention of the requester as specified above.
- Supplies must have a valid business licence.
- Where applicable, the quotation should include freight in the final cost.
- The expected delivery time and payment terms should be indicated when submitting quotation.
- Detailed specifications of the proposed vehicles must be provided.
- The SKWSD reserves the right to request any additional information that it deems necessary in order to make a decision on any quotation submitted.

Easter
Blessing

Nevis Welcomes Major Foreign Investment with Groundbreaking of Nevis Peak Residences at Four Seasons Resort

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (April 16, 2025) - St. Kitts and Nevis Sotheby's International Realty officially broke ground on the Nevis Peak Residences on- a multimillion-dollar luxury development at the Four Seasons Resort Nevis. The project marks a major boost for foreign investment on the island, aligning with the Nevis Island Administration's (NIA) focus on high-end tourism and real estate.

Premier the Honourable Mark Brantley, who serves as Minister of Tourism and Foreign Investment, welcomed the groundbreaking as a sign of growing investor confidence in the island.

“This significant investment demonstrates the confidence that foreign investors continue to have in the island of Nevis and the ‘Open for Business’ approach that my government has embraced,” he stated following the April 09, ceremony. “Nevis is targeting the high end of the luxury market and we continue to position ourselves in that market segment.”

Sotheby's Nevis Peak Residences will feature 52 luxury homes offering panoramic views of Nevis Peak and the Caribbean Sea. Residents will enjoy access to the world-renowned amenities of the Four Seasons Resort, including golf, spa, tennis, fine dining, and beachfront experiences. Each residence also qualifies for St. Kitts and Nevis' Citizenship By Investment Programme- a unique opportunity for international investors seeking both lifestyle and mobility.

“This is an exciting new chapter at Four Seasons Resort Nevis,” said a spokesperson from Sotheby’s International Realty. “We’re creating an unmatched residential experience that celebrates the natural beauty, culture, and exclusivity of the island.”

The Four Seasons Residences have long set the standard for luxury living in the Caribbean, blending resort-style service with private ownership.

The launch of the Nevis Peak Residences deepens that legacy and reinforces Nevis as a leading destination for discerning global

buyers.

While the groundbreaking was led by Sotheby's, the project enjoys strong support from the Nevis Island

Administration as part of its broader push to attract sustainable, high-quality foreign direct investment. The development is expected to

boost the local economy through job creation and increased visibility on the international stage.



Artist design of Nevis Peak Residences luxury development at the Four Seasons Resort Nevis

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2017/0012

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

and

MELFORD PHILLIP

NOTICE OF SALE

Applicant

Respondent

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 24th day of **April 2025** at 3:15 o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon situate at Half Way Tree in the Island of St. Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North-West by Con Phipps Estate 35 feet; On the North-East by Lot No. 15, 66.67 feet; On the South-East by the Island Main Road 35 feet and On the South-West by Lot No. 17, 66.67 feet and containing by admeasurement 2,666.8 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the **24th day of February, 1994** and registered in **Book T2 Folio 111** of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of **MELFORD PHILLIP** of Old Road Village in the Parish of St. Thomas, in the Island of St. Christopher registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$220,622.00**

Dated the 24th day of May 2025

Registrar of the Supreme Court



Premier of Nevis and Minister of Tourism and Foreign Investment in the Nevis Island Administration the Honourable Mark Brantley (2nd from left) helps turn sod for the luxury development Nevis Peak Residences at the Four Seasons Resort Nevis (April 09, 2025)

Department Of Agriculture Fosters Youth Engagement In Agriculture And Veretinary Medicine

(MOA Basseterre, St. Kitts, 16 April 2025):

In alignment with its ongoing mission to promote interest and participation in agriculture and veterinary medicine, the Veterinary Services Unit at the Department of Agriculture, St. Kitts reaffirmed its commitment to youth development through hands-on engagement and educational outreach over the past two weeks.

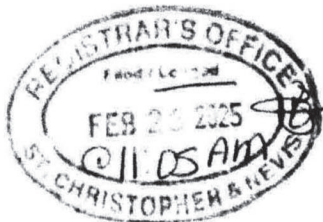
As part of this initiative, the Unit welcomed three students from Saddlers Secondary School and one from Basseterre High School for an immersive shadowing experience. These students

were afforded the opportunity to accompany both extension and veterinary officers from the Livestock Division as they conducted routine field operations. During this period, the students actively participated in farm visits, engaged directly with livestock, and assisted in clinical examinations and treatments. This initiative provided a valuable platform for experiential learning and first-hand exposure to careers in agriculture and veterinary science.



In a further demonstration of its educational outreach, the Veterinary Services Unit also facilitated a field trip on April 10 for students enrolled in the Introduction to Livestock Animal Husbandry course at the Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College (CFBC). This visit exposed participants to practical aspects of livestock health management, including pregnancy diagnosis using ultrasound technology, and both closed and open methods of animal castration on goats and pigs, respectively. The session emphasized active participation, culminating in each student performing the surgical castration of a piglet under professional supervision, following a demonstrative tutorial.

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SKBHCV2014/0187

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

LENROY MILLS-CONNOR

- Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the ~~24~~¹⁰ day of ~~April~~^{April}, 2025 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot portion of land situate at Newton Ground being a dismemberment of Cranstoun Estate in the Parish of Saint Paul in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North-West by Cranstoun Estate, 50.83 feet; On the North-East by Milkay Knight, 111.24 feet; On the South-East by a Proposed Road, 49.54 feet and On the South-West by an Estate Road, 114.67 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,662.54 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 3rd day of October, 1996 and registered in Book V2 Folio 330 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of **LENROY MILLS-CONNOR** of Newton Ground Village, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$386,003.03**

Dated the 5th day of March

2025

Registrar of the Supreme Court



CWI President Congratulates Guyana Harpy Eagles, Reaffirms Zero Tolerance on Integrity Breaches

ST. JOHN’S, Antigua - President of Cricket West Indies (CWI), Dr. Kishore Shallow, has extended heartfelt congratulations to the Guyana Harpy Eagles following their impressive victory in the 2025 West Indies Championship, securing their third consecutive four-day title after a draw with Trinidad and Tobago Red Force on Saturday.

In a statement issued today, Dr. Shallow lauded the Harpy Eagles for their consistency, discipline, and excellence throughout the season.

“On behalf of Cricket West Indies, I offer sincere congratulations to the Guyana Harpy Eagles on their remarkable achievement. Winning back-to-back titles is no small feat, and their undefeated run this season is a testament to the leadership of captain Tevin Imlach and the collective effort of the players and coaching staff.”

Dr. Shallow also acknowledged the broader progress seen across the championship.

“We are equally encouraged by the overall standard of play across the tournament. The emergence of new talent, the development of our fast bowlers, and the improved application of our batters show promising signs that align with our long-term vision for West Indies cricket, particularly in the Test format.”

The President then addressed the increasing online viewership of the tournament, rejecting the notion that the longer format of the game is dying, and highlighting the encouraging interest that was seen in this year’s competition.

“There has been a prevailing narrative that the four-day format is in decline. However, a view of the data suggests otherwise. This year’s tournament was widely viewed, and the record-breaking online engagement demonstrates that there is still a strong, passionate fanbase for red ball cricket. The viewership numbers we saw this season indicate a deep connection with the longer format, showing that it remains a vital and relevant part of the cricketing landscape.”

Dr. Shallow further emphasized the importance of continuing to nurture and grow interest in the longer format of the game.

“The growing viewership is a sign that fans continue to appreciate the tactical, patient nature of four-day cricket. As we move forward, Cricket West Indies is committed to further strengthening the Test format, ensuring that our players are equipped to compete at the highest level internationally.”

The President also made it clear that despite the team’s success, CWI maintains a strict policy on integrity, addressing the recent breach involving two players who were penalized for altering the condition of the ball.

“While we celebrate the success of the season, I want to remind players that Cricket West Indies holds the integrity of the game in the highest regard. There is zero tolerance for conduct that undermines the spirit of cricket and brings the game into disrepute. The legacy of West Indies cricket has always been built on talent, pride, and integrity, and we are committed to upholding our core values.”

The West Indies Championship was played over seven rounds across the international venues in the Caribbean. Guyana Harpy Eagles with 126.6 points was awarded the grand prize of USD \$250,000.



EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SKBHCV2005/0184

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

and

JOSEPH DESOUZA

Applicant
Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 21st day of April 2025 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon known as Lot No. 4 of Sandy Point Extension in the Parish of Saint Anne in Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North-East by lands of T. D. C. and Da Silva, 50.00 feet; On or towards the South-East by Lot No. 5, 80.00 feet; On or towards the South-West by a Public Road, 50.00 feet; and On or towards the North-West by Lot No. 3, 80.00 feet and containing by admeasurement 4,000 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 31st day of January 1996 and registered in Book V2 Folio 30 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of JOSEPH DESOUZA of Fahie Street, Sandy Point in the Island of Saint Christopher now residing at Blowing Point in the Island of Anguilla as registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above land shall be EC\$200,000.00

Dated the 21st day of March 2025

Registrar of the Supreme Court

US tariffs will make global trade shrink, says WTO

Charlotte Edwards
Business reporter, BBC News



Getty Images Container ship with a large cargo is docked at a port Getty Images
The World Trade Organization (WTO) has forecast that global trade will fall this year because of US President Donald Trump's tariffs.

It added “severe downside risks”, including reciprocal tariffs and political uncertainty, could lead to an even sharper decline in global goods trade.

“The decline is expected to be particularly steep in North America,” the WTO said, forecasting trade to drop by more than a tenth in that region.

Ngozi Ikonjo Iweala, the WTO director general, called the “decoupling” of the US and China “a phenomenon that is really worrying to me”.

The WTO previously expected global goods trade to expand by 2.7% in 2025 but it now forecasts it will fall by 0.2%.

Chief economist Ralph Ossa said: “Tariffs are a policy lever with wide-ranging, and often unintended consequences.

“Our simulations show that trade policy uncertainty has a significant dampening effect on trade flows, reducing exports and weakening economic activity,” he added.

A baseline tariff of 10% on almost all foreign imports to the US kicked in on 5 April, although some countries and goods are exempt.

China has a much higher tariff, which now totals 145% on most goods.

The US stock market slid on opening on Wednesday with the big indexes falling amid the ongoing uncertainty.

Despite the prediction of plunging trade with the US, the WTO expects some regions will still see trade growth.

It said Asia and Europe were still projected to post modest growth in both exports and imports this year.

“The collective contribution to world trade growth of other regions would also remain positive,” the WTO report said.

For the first time, the report contains a forecast for services trade - which is when countries buy and sell services to each other instead of goods.

This is common in industries such as tourism or finance where nothing physical is shipped but a service is provided.

The WTO forecasts services trade to grow by 4% in 2025, which is around one percentage point less than expected.

Trump's tariff announcements and climbdowns
Since Trump's inauguration in January there has been a flurry of announcements on tariffs.

The US president says the import taxes will encourage US consumers to buy more American-made goods, increase the amount of tax raised, and lead to huge levels of investment in the country.

However, critics say bringing manufacturing back to the US is complicated and could take decades and that the economy will struggle in the meantime.

Trump has also backtracked on many of his announcements.

Just hours after steep levies against roughly 60 of America's trading partners kicked in earlier this month, Trump announced a 90-day pause on those tariffs to all countries bar China, in the face of mounting opposition from politicians and the markets.

In March, the governor of the Bank of England has warned that Trump's tariffs could mean less money in UK consumers' pockets.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2020/0196

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

and

LEROI MATTHEW

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 24th day of April 2025 at 2.45 o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land known as Lot 124 HL/1 North of the Frigate Bay Housing Development bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or about the North by a Development Road, 80.3 feet; On or about the East by Lot 111, 86.0 feet, Lot 110, 86.5 feet and Lot 109, 84.1 feet; On or about the South by Lot No. 108, 52.5 feet and Lot 193, 54.25 feet and On or about the West by Lot 125, 231.55 feet and containing by admeasurement 25,621 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 5th day of August, 2004 and registered in Book D3 Folio 361 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of LEROY MATTHEW formerly of #14 Park Range, in the town of Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be EC\$431,732.00

Dated the 24 day of March 2025

Registrar of the Supreme Court

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Cricket Legend Dr. The most Honourable Desmond Haynes Appointed To ICC Men's Cricket Committee

ST JOHN'S, Antigua - Cricket West Indies (CWI) is pleased to announce that West Indies cricket legend, Dr. The Most Honourable Desmond Haynes has been appointed to the ICC Men's Cricket Committee, continuing the region's strong representation on this influential body.

Haynes joins the committee following the completion of the tenure of former West Indies all-rounder and respected cricket administrator Roger Harper. The appointment maintains the strong West Indies presence on this prestigious committee and reflects the continuing influence of Caribbean cricket at the highest levels of the sport's governance. Haynes, who most recently served as the Lead Selector for the West Indies Men's teams from January 2022 to June 2024, brings his wealth of cricket knowledge and administrative experience to this important role.

The ICC Men's Cricket Committee plays a vital role in shaping the future of the game as they make recommendations on playing conditions and rules that affect cricket at all levels. Haynes' appointment ensures that West Indies cricket continues to have a strong voice in these important discussions.

Dr. Kishore Shallow, President of CWI, stated:

"The appointment of Dr. Desmond Haynes to the ICC Men's Cricket Committee is a significant moment for West Indies cricket. Not only does he bring his legendary status as one of our greatest opening batsmen but also his sharp cricket mind and deep understanding of the modern game. His proven track record in cricket administration and previous role as Lead Selector gives him unique insights into both the technical and governance aspects of cricket. Therefore, we had no reservation in proudly recommending him to this committee."

"On behalf of CWI, I must also express our sincere gratitude to Roger Harper, who has served with distinction over the past three years. Roger's contributions have helped shape important decisions in the global game and he has represented West Indies cricket admirably at the ICC level."

The ICC Men's Cricket Committee operates as a sub-committee of the Chief Executives' Committee, and focuses on matters related to the playing of international cricket. The body plays a crucial role in advising on various aspects of the game, including the laws of cricket, playing conditions, umpiring standards, technology implementation and the handling of illegal bowling actions.

The committee is chaired by a former international cricketer with at least 30 Test matches or national captaincy experience, supported by 12 additional members, including representatives from former and current international players, umpires, referees, team coaches, board members, associate nations, and the media. Members serve three-year terms, with the possibility of re-election for up to three consecutive terms.



About Demond Haynes

A West Indies legend, Haynes played 116 Test matches, captaining the team in four of those games. He also played in 238 One-Day Internationals (ODIs) for the regional side between 1978 and 1994. He scored 7,487 runs in Tests, including 18 centuries, and 8,648 runs in ODIs, including 17 centuries.

Forming one of the most formidable opening partnerships in cricket history alongside fellow Barbadian Sir Gordon Greenidge, Haynes was an integral part of the West Indies team that won the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup in 1979. His contributions to the game were further recognized when he was inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame in June 2021.

Nevis Dominates Leeward Islands U-15 Cricket Squad for CWI Rising Stars Tournament

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (April 14, 2025) - The Nevis Island Administration (NIA) is proudly celebrating a milestone achievement for youth sports development, as Nevisians dominate the Leeward Islands Under-15 (U-15) cricket squad selected to compete in the Cricket West Indies (CWI) Rising Stars 50-Over Championship.

With six players and one reserve hailing from Nevis, the island claims the largest representation on the 14-member team.

The Honourable Senator Troy Nisbett, NIA Minister of Youth and Sports, extended warm congratulations and national pride as he lauded the young athletes for their outstanding achievement.

"I'm absolutely delighted to extend heartfelt congratulations to six talented young Nevisians who have been selected to represent the Leeward Islands in the CWI Rising Stars U15 50-Over Championship which kicked off on Sunday!"

The Leeward Islands Cricket Board (LICB) announced the full squad earlier this week, noting that this year's team was selected following a rigorous evaluation of individual performances and potential. Among the standout selections is Karese Farrell of Nevis, who has been appointed Vice-Captain, a role that reflects his leadership and cricketing acumen.

Also named to the squad from Nevis are Treon Daniel, De'Morae Prentice, Aedan Williams, Rondre Daniel, and Mikey Seelogam, with Deshawn James serving as one of the four reserves.

Senator Liburd praised the significance of Nevis's contribution to the squad, underscoring the island's growing impact on youth cricket in the region.

"This is a truly remarkable achievement and a testament to the growing strength of cricket talent development here in Nevis.

"A huge round of applause to the players, their dedicated coaches, supportive parents, and all the well-wishers who continue to invest in and uplift our young athletes. You are all helping to shape a bright future for cricket on the island. Well done, and best of luck in the tournament."

The 2025 CWI Rising Stars Under-15 50-Over Championship is being hosted in Antigua and Barbuda from April 13 to 24, featuring six regional teams: Leeward Islands, Windward Islands, Jamaica, Barbados, Guyana, and Trinidad and Tobago. Matches will take place across Sir Vivian Richards Stadium, Coolidge Cricket Ground, and Liberta Sports Club.

According to the LICB, this year's edition is set to not only spotlight rising youth talent but also foster regional unity and sportsmanship.

"The tournament promises to be a crucible of rising talent, sporting excellence, and regional camaraderie. This year's tournament holds particular significance, not only as a premier stage for regional youth cricket but as a moment of pride for the Leeward Islands, serving as the host to teams from across the West Indies."

The NIA extends its heartfelt best wishes to the entire squad and looks forward to Nevisians continuing to shine on the regional stage.



Photo caption: The Honourable Senator Troy Nisbett, Minister of Youth and Sports in the Nevis Island Administration congratulates the six young Nevisians selected to the Leeward Islands U-15 cricket squad selected to compete in the Cricket West Indies Rising Stars 50-Over Championship 2025

Players To Remember From West Indies Championship - The 2025 Wrap Up

THE RISE OF TEVIN IMLACH -Leading Guyana to a second straight title, the young captain leads with purpose and integrity

Guyana claimed their fifteenth West Indies Championship title, clinching first innings honours in their drawn final-round encounter against Trinidad & Tobago Red Force at Queen's Park Oval.



Born and raised in Georgetown, Tevin Imlach has emerged as the new generation leader for Guyana after taking over from Leon Johnson - a daunting act to follow, given Johnson's legacy of six titles, including five in succession from 2015 to 2019.

Yet Imlach has already carved his own space in the pantheon of Guyanese cricket captains. After guiding his country to back-to-back titles, he joins the ranks of Sir Clive Lloyd, Carl Hooper, and Roger Harper, each of whom led Guyana to two regional four-day crowns.

But amid the celebrations, a moment of gloom crept into the Harpy Eagles' parade. Two players were heavily

finned for altering the condition of the ball - a rare stain on what was otherwise a dominant and disciplined campaign.

For captain Tevin Imlach, the disappointment was deep and personal.

"Obviously it is very disappointing because we played six rounds of good cricket, no issues, and you come into the final game in a very good position, and for something like that to come up is very disappointing not only for me but for the team in general," he expressed. "It would've clouded everything, cast a shadow over everything we did prior to the final encounter, everything we achieved and worked for in the tournament."

He continued, "This is not something you want to see and with the options available to the players they chose to accept it with the aim of moving forward."

In distancing himself from the incident, the 28-year-old skipper added, "I've built my entire career through hard work, dedication, and a commitment to playing the game the right way. Cricket has

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Williams ‘would be banned for 20 years’ for doping case like Sinner’s



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Serena Williams has won 23 Grand Slam women’s singles titles - only Margaret Court, with 24, has more

Harry Poole -
BBC Sport journalist

Serena Williams says she would have been banned for 20 years and had some of her Grand Slam titles taken away if she had committed the same anti-doping offence as men’s world number one Jannik Sinner.

Italy’s Sinner, 23, is serving a three-month doping ban after reaching a settlement with the World Anti-Doping Agency (Wada) over two positive drugs tests last year.

Former world number one Williams, winner of 23 Grand Slam titles, claimed in 2018 that she was a victim of “discrimination” over the volume of drug tests she was required to carry out.

An article published by website Deadspin in 2018 revealed that Williams had been tested out of competition by the US Anti-Doping Agency (Usada) on five occasions by June that year - more than twice as many times as other top American players.

“I love the guy, I love his game. He’s great for the sport. I’ve been put down so much, I don’t want to bring anyone down. Men’s tennis needs him,” the retired Williams said of Sinner in an interview with Time, external.

“[But] if I did that, I would have gotten 20 years. Let’s be honest. I would have gotten Grand Slams taken away from me.”

Sinner, who won the Australian Open in January, accepted an immediate three-month ban in February after he twice tested positive for the banned substance clostebol in March 2024.

Wada had appealed to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (Cas) seeking a ban of up to two years after the International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) cleared Sinner of any fault or negligence last year.

Williams, 43, joked that a similar case during her own career would have put her “in jail”, adding: “You would have

heard about it in another multiverse.”

‘I can’t help but think about Sharapova’

The 23-time Grand Slam champion also expressed sympathy for former rival Maria Sharapova.

The Russian was banned for 15 months after testing positive for a substance she said she did not realise had been added to the banned list at the start of 2016.

“Just weirdly and oddly, I can’t help but think about Maria all this time. I can’t help but feel for her,” said Williams.

Sinner will return in time for the Italian Open on 7 May, before the second Grand Slam of the year - the French Open - begins on 25 May.

Williams is not alone among current and former players to have raised the issue of perceived preferential treatment in response to Sinner’s case - and also that of women’s player Iga Swiatek, who accepted a one-month suspension last year.

Former British number one Tim Henman called the agreement “too convenient”, while Australian Nick Kyrgios claimed “fairness in tennis does not exist”, and three-time major winner Stan Wawrinka said he “did not believe in clean sport any more”.

Such accusations have been disputed by the ITIA, whose chief executive Karen Moorhouse said: “The way we manage cases does not change, irrespective of the profile of the player involved.”

Sinner’s violation carried a maximum sanction of four years before his defence - that he was inadvertently contaminated with the substance by his physiotherapist - was considered.

‘I would gladly give another two years to tennis’

Williams retired from tennis in 2022 following her final US Open appearance, announcing that she would be “evolving away” from the sport.

“I miss it a lot, with all my heart,” Williams said.

“I miss it because I’m healthy. If I couldn’t walk, or if I was so out of it, I wouldn’t miss it as much.”

But a return remains unlikely as she focuses on other things, including her family after giving birth to her second daughter in 2023, and business pursuits.

“Hopefully I’ll feel better when I feel like, physically, I’m not able to have wins over some people,” she said.

“I’ve given my whole life to tennis. And I would gladly give another two years if I had time. But it’s nice to do something different. I’m content.”

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always meant more to me than just winning - it’s about integrity, discipline, and respect for the sport.”

Imlach’s words not only echoed his personal ethos but also served as a reminder of the spirit in which the game should be played - a sentiment that has come to define his leadership.

Hailed as “captain fantastic” by teammates, Imlach missed the opening round due to West Indies duties in Pakistan. Upon his return, he lit up the tournament with 538 runs at an average of 68.25, scoring three centuries. Two of those centuries came in moments of crisis - one notably against the Leeward Islands Hurricanes, where his crucial 123 helped secure a draw and keep the Harpy Eagles atop the table going into the final round.



Behind the stumps, he was equally impressive, recording 20 dismissals - 16 catches and four stumpings - in a tidy display of wicketkeeping.

Over time, the victories have become sweeter for the 2016 U-19 World Cup winner, and 2025’s result is no exception.

“This title ranks very high for me because to win a four-day title is not an easy job and to actually come out and win this once again, it is special,” he shared. “We are getting accustomed to winning them, but every year gives a different challenge, something new and a better feeling once we win.”

Imlach fulfilled a childhood dream in Multan when he became the 341st player to represent the West Indies in Test cricket. Now, he offers himself as a role model to aspiring wicketkeeper batters throughout the Caribbean.



“Enjoy cricket, enjoy the game, enjoy practice, enjoy the process of getting to a higher level and enjoying the journey and what it entails and not just the destination,” he explained. “It’s not just about playing Test cricket; it is about the work you do to get there and if you can find joy in practice and getting better every single day, makes the moment even more special when you get to the ultimate prize.”

With a deep reservoir of self-belief and a clear vision of cricket’s greater values, Tevin Imlach is not just winning titles - he’s building a legacy.

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