

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 13 JANUARY 2014

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 13 January 2014:

1. Annual Reports;
2. Board Appointments;
3. Land Acquisition;
4. Report.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1) Annual Reports

Cabinet considered the Annual Reports of the:

- (i) Banana Board for the Calendar Year 2012;
- (ii) Coconut Industry Board for the Calendar Year 2012;
- (iii) Companies Office of Jamaica for the Financial Year 2011/2012;
- (iv) Housing Agency of Jamaica Limited for the Financial Year 2012/2013;
- (v) Jamaica Agricultural Society for the Financial Year 2012/2013;
- (vi) Maritime Authority of Jamaica for the Financial Year 2010/2011;
- (vii) Parole Board for the Calendar Year 2012;
- (viii) Registrar General's Department for the Financial Years 2003/2004, 2004/2005 and 2005/2006; and
- (ix) Spectrum Management Authority Limited for the Financial Years 2011/2012 and 2012/2013.

These Reports will be tabled in Parliament at a later date.

2) Board Appointments

a) Jamaica Anti-Doping Commission

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of the following persons to the Jamaica Anti-Doping Commission (JADCO) for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016:

- 1) Honourable R. Danny Williams, OJ – Chairman;
- 2) Dr. Winston Isles;
- 3) Mr. Gary Peart;
- 4) Ms. Deborah Martin;
- 5) Honourable Dennis Lalor, OJ;
- 6) Dr. Thelma Nelson;
- 7) Mr. Anthony Lawrence;
- 8) Dr. Patricia Holness;
- 9) Ms. Carmen Tipling;
- 10) Reverend Devon Dick;
- 11) Mrs. Jacqueline Lynch Stewart; and

12) Executive Director, JADCO.

b) Board of Commissioners of the Overseas Examinations Commission

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of Mr. Sujae Boswell to the Board of Commissioners of the Overseas Examinations Commission, with effect from 13 January 2014 and up to 31 August 2014, when the tenure of the current Board expires.

3) Land Acquisition

JAMINTEL Building and the Adjoining Property at the Corner of Duke and North Streets, Kingston

Cabinet gave approval for the acquisition by the Transport Authority of the JAMINTEL Building at 97 Duke Street in Kingston and the adjoining property.

The Transport Authority has outgrown its current accommodations at 107 Maxfield Avenue and 119 Maxfield Avenue in Kingston. After considering various options, the entity has determined that the acquisition of the JAMINTEL Building and the adjoining property would best fit its needs for expanded space for its corporate offices.

4) Report

21st Meeting of the Council of Ministers of the Caribbean Forum of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (CARIFORUM), Grenada, and the CARIFORUM Stakeholders' Consultation with the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Eminent Persons' Group (EPG) on the Future of the ACP

Cabinet noted a report on the 21st Meeting of the Council of Ministers of the Caribbean Forum of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (CARIFORUM) and the CARIFORUM Stakeholders' Consultation with the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Eminent Persons' Group (EPG) on the Future of the ACP, held in Grenada on 31 October 2013 and 1 to 2 November 2013, respectively. The report provided summary information on the discussions and decisions at the 21st Meeting of the Council of Ministers of CARIFORUM namely, Governance of CARIFORUM with particular focus placed on its legal framework and the governing rules and procedures; and the CARIFORUM-EU Economic Partnership Agreement, specifically the status of the implementation of the provisions of the Agreement and matters arising from the 2nd Joint CARIFORUM-EU Council. The report also provided summary information on the CARIFORUM Stakeholders' Consultation with the ACP EPG meeting. The report advised that the meeting discussed, among other things, key issues relating to trade, aid, higher education and culture; the Post-2015 Development Agenda; options for diversified partnerships; and geo-strategic issues for the ACP Group.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.



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