

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 22 JUNE 2015

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 22 June 2015:

1. Contracts;
2. Legislation;
3. Annual Reports; and
4. Board Appointments.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Contracts

(i) Security Services at the Savanna-La-Mar Hospital and Westmoreland Health Department

Cabinet approved the variation of a contract, in the amount of \$14,236,803.75, to Guardsman Limited for the provision of private security services at the Savanna-La-Mar Hospital and Westmoreland Health Department, with effect from 15 February 2015 to 30 September 2015.

In October 2012, approval was granted for the award of a contract in the sum of \$41,061,880.00 to Guardsman Limited for the provision of security services at the Savanna-La-Mar Hospital and Westmoreland Health Department for a period of two (2) years from February 2013 to February 2015. The extension of the current contract has become necessary to allow for the procurement process for a new contract to be completed.

(ii) Enterprise Human Capital Management Solution for the Government of Jamaica

Cabinet approved the award of a contract to Quidgest Consultores De Gestao, S.A. for the supply and implementation of an Enterprise Human Capital Management Solution (EHCMS) for a period of five (5) years in the amount of US\$4,338,825.52, inclusive of a provisional amount of US\$300,000.00 for ICT infrastructure to be supplied by the vendor.

The purpose of the EHCMS is to provide more efficient human resource planning and management for the public sector, whereby employment data for each employee would be readily available. The system will include, information on employee records, education data and leave entitlement. The EHCMS will also assist in identifying the skill levels of employees and deploying them in their specialised areas.

(iii) Roads in the Monymusk, Bernard Lodge and Appleton Sugar Dependent Areas (SDAs)

Cabinet approved the award of the following contracts for the rehabilitation of roads under the National Cane Roads Rehabilitation Project Phase 2 of the Sugar Transformation Programme:

- (a) Monymusk Sugar Dependent Area, Clarendon (Package 7) to Build-Rite Construction Company Limited in the amount of \$54,226,100.00;
- (b) Bernard Lodge Sugar Dependent Area, St. Catherine (Package 8) to Build-Rite Construction Company Limited in the amount of \$58,282,399.70; and
- (c) Appleton Sugar Dependent Area, St. Elizabeth (Package 9) to N.F. Barnes Construction & Equipment Company Limited in the amount of \$89,097,886.20.

The National Cane Roads Rehabilitation Project is being carried out through financial support from the European Union. Under the project, approximately 200 kilometres of roads will be repaired to provide improved access for the 'field to factories' transportation of sugar cane, whilst also catering to the commute for the sugar workers and the surrounding communities.

2. Legislation

The Revenue Administration (Amendment) Act, 2015

Cabinet gave approval for the introduction of the Bill entitled the "The Revenue Administration (Amendment) Act, 2015" into the Houses of Parliament.

The Bill seeks to amend the Revenue Administration Act in order to establish a legal framework in domestic law for the facilitation of international tax compliance in keeping with the United States' Foreign Account Transaction Compliance Act (FATCA).

3. Annual Reports

Cabinet considered the Annual Reports of the:

- (i) Jamaica Bauxite Mining Company Limited for the financial year 2013/2014; and
- (ii) National Council on Education for the financial year 2013/2014.

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

4. Board Appointments

(i) Coconut Industry Board

Cabinet approved the appointment of Mrs. Shelley-Ann Gayle Morris, as a member of the Board, with effect from 22 June 2015 to 28 February 2018, when the tenure of the Board would expire.

The Cabinet noted that the following persons were elected by the coconut growers as members of the Board:

- 1) Honourable A. A. 'Bobby' Pottinger;
- 2) Mr. Stephen Black;
- 3) Mr. Granville Marsh;
- 4) Mr. Frank Phipps; and
- 5) Mrs. Sandra Ennis.

(ii) Jamaica Business Development Corporation, Micro Investment Development Agency and Self Start Fund

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to a single Board of Directors for the Jamaica Business Development Corporation, Micro Investment Development Agency and Self Start Fund for a period of two (2) years, with effect from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2017:

- 1) Mr. Brian Pengelley – **Chairman**;
- 2) Ms. Yaneek Page – **Vice Chair**;
- 3) Mrs. Scarlett Gillings;
- 4) Councillor Yvonne McCormack;
- 5) Mr. James Moss-Solomon;
- 6) Ms. Erica Wynter;
- 7) Mr. Hugh Johnson;
- 8) Mr. Donovan Wignall;
- 9) Mr. Paul Lyn;
- 10) Mr. Lincoln McIntyre;
- 11) Dr. William Lawrence;
- 12) Mr. Reginald Nugent;
- 13) Mr. Lanville Henry – Ex-officio;
- 14) Ms. Valeria Veira – Ex-officio.

(iii) Legal Aid Council

Cabinet approved the appointment of Miss Tamekia Harris and Mr. Wray Palmer, as members of the Council with effect from 22 June 2015 to 10 May 2018, when the tenure of the Council will expire.

(iv) Norman Manley International Airport (NMIA) Airports Limited

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Board for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 22 June 2015 to 21 June 2018:

- 1) Mr. Joseph A. Matalon – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mr. Dennis Morrison;
- 3) Mr. William Shagoury;
- 4) Ms. Valerie Simpson;
- 5) Dr. Lanie Oakley-Williams; and
- 6) Mr. Audley Diedrick.

(v) Nutrition Products Limited

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Board for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2018:

- 1) Mr. James Rawle – **Chairman**;
- 2) Dr. David McBean – **Deputy Chairman**;
- 3) Mrs. Andrea Sweeney;
- 4) Mr. Trevor Riley;
- 5) Mr. Sandor Pike;
- 6) Dr. Suzanne Soares Wynter;

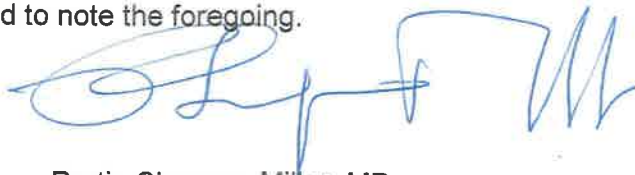
- 7) Mr. Cleve McKenzie;
- 8) Mr. Alexander Drysdale;
- 9) Ms. Helen Robertson;
- 10) Councillor Anthony O'Connor;
- 11) Ms. Audrey Johnson; and
- 12) Mr. Emile Spence.

(vi) Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (ODPEM)

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Board for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 22 June 2015 to 21 June 2018:

- 1) Mr. Laurence Adamson – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mrs. Beverley Anderson Duncan;
- 3) Mrs. Erica Eubanks;
- 4) Mr. Leon Stewart;
- 5) Ms. Vivien Douglas Leigh;
- 6) Mr. Uphel Purcell;
- 7) Councillor Alric Campbell;
- 8) Mr. Seymour Stewart;
- 9) Dr. Jacqueline Bissasor McKenzie;
- 10) Mrs. Colette Roberts Ridsen; and
- 11) Director General, Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.



Portia Simpson Miller, MP
Prime Minister
10 July 2015