

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 9 APRIL 2018

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 9 April 2018:

1. Contracts;
2. Annual Reports;
3. Board Appointments;
4. Approval for Submission of Jamaica's Interim Report Pursuant to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and
5. National Water Sector Policy and Implementation Plan.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Contracts

(i) Provision of Private Security Services at the National Health Fund (NHF) Facilities

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the sum of \$134,779,455.80 to Modern Investigations and Security Company Limited for the provision of security services at National Health Fund (NHF) facilities for a period of two (2) years.

The contractor will provide private security services at NHF facilities in order to ensure the safety of all personnel and property.

(ii) Renewal of Insurance Coverage for the Port Authority of Jamaica

Cabinet approved the third-year renewal of the General Insurance Portfolio of the Port Authority of Jamaica with Marathon Insurance Brokers Limited in the amount of United States Denominated Risk US\$1,404,293.00 and Jamaican Denominated Risk J\$19,612,199.00, for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019.

The various insurance policies cover risks for the following entities: Port Authority of Jamaica; Jamaica International Freezone Development Limited; Ports Management and Security Limited; and Port Authority Management Services Limited.

2. Annual Reports

Cabinet noted the Annual Reports for the Management Institute for National Development for the Financial Years 2014/2015 and 2015/2016.

The Reports will be tabled in Parliament.

3. Board Appointments

(i) Montego Bay Conference Centre

Cabinet gave approval for the appointment of the following persons to the Board of Directors for a period of one (1) year, with effect from 9 April 2018 to 8 April 2019:

- 1) Mr. John Lynch – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mr. Godfrey Dyer;
- 3) Mr. Robert Russell;
- 4) Dr. Andrew Spencer; and
- 5) Mrs. Andrea Lyle.

(ii) Trade Board

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Board for a period of two (2) years, with effect from 9 April 2018 to 8 April 2020:

- 1) Mr. Danville Walker – **Chairman**;
- 2) Ms. Tova Hamilton – **Deputy Chairman**;
- 3) Mr. Phillip Bernard;
- 4) Ms. Kathryn Lewis;
- 5) Mr. Desron Graham;
- 6) Mr. Sean Azan;
- 7) Dr. Derrick Deslandes;
- 8) Mr. Stephen Edwards; and
- 9) Mrs. Andrene Collings – *ex officio*.

4. Approval for Submission of Jamaica's Interim Report Pursuant to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Cabinet approved Jamaica's Interim Report pursuant to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) which is to be submitted to the United Nations Human Rights Committee (UNHRC)

Following the review of Jamaica's Fourth Periodic Report under the ICCPR in October 2016, the UNHRC issued several recommendations on ways Jamaica could improve the protection of civil and political rights for its citizens. This report provides an overview of developments in Jamaica with respect to sexual and reproductive health, conditions of detention and the rights of the child.

The Committee also requested an interim report within two years providing updates of some of the recommendations.

5. National Water Sector Policy and Implementation Plan

Cabinet approved the National Water Sector Policy and Implementation Plan 2017 and its tabling in Parliament as a White Paper.

The Policy and Plan represent a comprehensive revision and update of the 2004 Water Sector Policy Strategies and Action Plan. The main objective of the Policy is to provide universal access to potable water to all Jamaicans by 2030, in keeping with the *Vision 2030*

*Jamaica – National Development Plan.* The targets of the Policy include infrastructure, financing, reducing and ultimately reducing non-revenue water, and implementing a structured system to support providing regularised water service to households previously accessing social water.

The Implementation Plan will be effected through a series of Medium Term Socio-Economic Policy Frameworks, which identify priority outcomes, strategies and actions for three-year periods from 2009 to 2030.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.

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Andrew Holness, MP  
Prime Minister  
May 2018

