

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 8 OCTOBER 2018

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meetings held on 8 October 2018:

1. Contracts;
2. Annual Reports;
3. Board Appointment;
4. Ministerial Representation at the Council of Ministers of the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF); and
5. Establishment of the Information and Communication Technology Authority; and
6. Report.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Contracts

- (i) Procurement of Works for the Denham Town Integrated Infrastructure Project, Kingston
Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$186,304,628.10 to Contraxx Enterprises Limited by the Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF), for the undertaking of rehabilitative works under the Denham Town Integrated Infrastructure Project in Kingston.

The JSIF Integrated Community Development Projects focus on promoting public safety and community transformation through access to, and improvement of basic infrastructure and social services.

- (ii) The Supply and Delivery of Tablets, Carts and Services Under the Tablets in Schools Project Rollout

Cabinet approved the award of contracts totalling US\$30,471,615.00 to the following vendors for the supply and delivery of tablets and charging carts under the Tablets in Schools Project Rollout:

- (a) GeoTech Vision Limited (Lots 1 and 2) in the amount of US\$16,359,735.00; and
- (b) Innovative Corporate Solutions Limited (Lots 3 and 4) in the amount of US\$14,111,880.00.

The Tablets in Schools Project Rollout will focus on providing schools with class sets of tablets so that each student can have individual access to the devices for up to one-fifth the school week.

2. Annual Reports

Cabinet considered the Annual Reports for the:

- (i) Devon House Development Company Limited for the Financial Year 2017/2018;
- (ii) Jamaica Tourist Board for the Financial Year 2016/2017; and
- (iii) Tourism Enhancement Fund for the Financial Year 2017/2018.

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

3. Board Appointment

Negril and Green Island Area Local Planning Authority

Cabinet approved the appointment of members of the Authority for a period of two (2) years, with effect from 8 October 2018 to 7 October 2020:

- 1) Mr. Ole Moe – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mrs. Delores O'Connor, OD;
- 3) Mr. Kevin Hammond;
- 4) Mr. Dixeth Palmer;
- 5) Mr. Richard Wallace;
- 6) Mr. Peter Knight;
- 7) Mr. Rollin Alveranga;
- 8) Mr. Norman Biggs;
- 9) Mr. Ronald Brown;
- 10) Mr. David Gardner;
- 11) Miss Carmen Samuda;
- 12) Miss Jillian Mason Quarrie;
- 13) Mr. Joseph Caine; and
- 14) Mr. Richard Thompson.

4. Ministerial Representation at the Council of Ministers of the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF)

Cabinet approved the recommendation for Jamaica to:

- (i) increase the level of its presence at the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF), with the Minister without Portfolio in the Ministry of Finance and the Public Service being named as Jamaica's head of delegation to the CFATF; and
- (ii) take steps to assume the Deputy Chairmanship of the CFATF upon availability of the position in November 2019, with a view to assuming the Chairmanship in November 2020.

The CFATF is comprised of 25 states in the Caribbean Basin and Central and South America which have agreed to implement common counter-measures to address money laundering, with a view to achieving effective implementation of, and compliance with the recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). The FATF is an inter-governmental organization founded in 1989 on the initiative of the G7 to develop policies to combat money laundering.

5. Establishment of the Information and Communication Technology Authority

Cabinet approved:

- (a) the promulgation of legislation to establish an Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Authority;
- (b) the transfer of the current functions being executed by eGov Jamaica Limited and the Office of the Chief Information Officer to the Information and Communication Technology Authority;
- (c) the winding up of eGov Jamaica Limited; and
- (d) the issuing of drafting instructions to the Chief Parliamentary Counsel.

The establishment of the Authority will underpin the Government of Jamaica drive for shared ICT services across Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

6. Report

Semi-Annual Parish Court Statistical Reports (January to June 2018)

Cabinet considered a report from the Ministry of Justice in connection with the semi-annual Parish Statistical Court Reports for the First and Second Quarters of the calendar year (January to June 2018), which advised that the Reports were ready and would be tabled in Parliament.

The reports provide statistical analysis of the work of each parish court, including information on caseloads, disposal rates, clearance rates, congestion rates as well as demographic data on offenders and the geographical distribution of where cases originate.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.


Andrew Holness, MP
Prime Minister
27 November 2018

