

CABINET AGENDA ISSUES – 18 NOVEMBER 2019

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 18 November 2019:

1. Contract;
2. Annual Report;
3. Board Appointments;
4. National Housing Trust Special Benefit Orders; and
5. Hosting of the International Criminal Policing Organization Radiological Crime Scene Management Course.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Procurement of Laboratory Equipment for Bureau of Standards Jamaica

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of US\$801,392.00 to Syncworks for the supply of time and frequency laboratory equipment for the Bureau of Standards, Jamaica (BSJ).

The existing time and frequency laboratory equipment being utilised by the BSJ has surpassed its useful life and needs replacement.

2. Annual Report

Cabinet noted the Annual Report for the Jamaica Social Investment Fund for the Financial Year 2018/2019.

The Report will be tabled in Parliament later.

3. Board Appointments

(i) Appeals Tribunal Under the Fisheries Act, 2018

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Appeals Tribunal for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 17 November 2022:

- 1) Mrs. Joy Crawford – **Chairperson**;
- 2) Mr. Gilroy English;
- 3) Dr. Gavin Bellamy, JP;
- 4) Mr. Bertrand Smith;
- 5) Mrs. Morjorn Wallock; and
- 6) Ms. Leonie Barnaby.

(ii) Civil Aviation Appeal Tribunal

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Tribunal for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 17 November 2022:

- 1) Mr. Kent Gammon – **Chairman**;
- 2) Ms. Lisa-Mae Gordon;
- 3) Mrs. Jacqueline Fairclough; and
- 4) Mr. Dudley Beek.

(iii) Mandeville Regional Hospital Management Committee

Cabinet approved the appointment of Mr. Alwyn Miller and Mrs. Sandia Chambers-Ferguson as *ex officio* members to the Management Committee, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 13 October 2022, when the tenure of the Management Committee will expire.

(iv) National Fisheries Advisory Council

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Council for a period of two (2) years, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 17 November 2021:

- 1) Professor Mona Webber – **Chairperson**;
- 2) Mr. Courtney Cole;
- 3) Dr. Mishka Stennett;
- 4) Ms. Yvette Strong;
- 5) Commodore Antonette Wemyss-Gorman;
- 6) Captain Steven Spence;
- 7) Superintendent Rex Swearing;
- 8) Mr. Jerome Smith;
- 9) Mr. Sydney Francis;
- 10) Mr. Albert Williams;
- 11) Mr. Havelon Honeyghan, OD, JP;
- 12) Ms. Ingrid Parchment;
- 13) Mr. Sean Taylor; and
- 14) Mr. Noel Thompson.

(v) Percy Junor Hospital Management Committee

Cabinet approved the appointment of Mrs. Sandia Chambers-Ferguson as an *ex officio* member to the Management Committee, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 13 October 2022, when the tenure of the Management Committee will expire.

(vi) Private Security Regulation Authority

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Authority for a period of three (3) years, with effect from 18 November 2019 to 17 November 2022:

- 1) Dr. Ronald Robinson – **Chairman**;
- 2) Mr. John Azar – **Deputy Chairman**;
- 3) Miss Samantha Allen;
- 4) Mr. Sean Clacken;
- 5) Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Cole;

- 6) Mr. John Bassie;
- 7) Dr. Osbil Watson;
- 8) Ms. Prudence Gentles; and
- 9) Ms. Maria Williams-Love.

4. National Housing Trust Special Benefit Orders

Cabinet approved the promulgation of Special Benefit Orders, effective 30 September 2019, to facilitate the allocation of six housing solutions at the Brompton Manor Housing Development in St. Elizabeth and six housing solutions at the Savannah Park Housing Development in Westmoreland to contributors to the National Housing Trust who meet the specified criteria. Cabinet also approved the issuance of drafting instructions to the Chief Parliamentary Counsel to facilitate the promulgation of the said Special Benefit Orders.

The Special Benefit Orders will allocate one housing unit to one member of the following groups at each of the Developments: Jamaica Constabulary Force; Jamaica Defence Force; Jamaica Teachers' Association; Nurses Association of Jamaica; Jamaica Confederation of Trade Unions; and Jamaica Civil Service Association.

5. Hosting of the International Criminal Policing Organization Radiological Crime Scene Management Course

Cabinet approved Jamaica hosting a four-day training programme, through the Ministry of National Security, in collaboration with International Criminal Policing Organization (INTERPOL), on Radiological Crime Scene Management to be held at the National Police College of Jamaica in Twickenham Park in St. Catherine, over the period 2 to 5 December 2019.

The initiative is aimed at improving the capability of personnel that are directly responsible for matters relating to security and management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosives (CBRNE).

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.



Andrew Holness, MP
Prime Minister
15 December 2019

