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CABINET AGENDA ISSUES - 8 JUNE 2020

The House is asked to note the following matters which were considered by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 8 June 2020:

- 1. Contract:
- 2. Annual Report;
- 3. Board Appointments;
- 4. Official Funeral for Honourable Shahine Elizabeth Robinson, MP; and
- 5. Sale of the Remaining Preference Shares of TransJamaican Highway to the Jamaica Capital Market.

Each matter shall be elaborated on in turn.

1. Contract

Procurement of Works for the Epworth Rural Feeder Road Rehabilitation, St. Ann

Cabinet approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$79,934,138.50 to Contraxx Enterprises Limited, on behalf of the Jamaica Social Investment Fund, for the rehabilitation of the Epworth Rural Feeder Road in St. Ann.

The infrastructure works will be undertaken with funding from the Caribbean Development Bank, under its Basic Needs Trust Fund Ninth Cycle (CDB/BNTF9) Programme.

2. Annual Report

Cabinet noted the Annual Report for the NMIA Airports Limited for the Financial Year 2017/2018.

The Report will be tabled in Parliament.

3. Board Appointments

(i) eGov Jamaica Limited

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons as members of the Board, with effect from 8 June 2020 to 28 July 2021, when the tenure of the Board will expire:

- 1) Dr. Andrew Spencer;
- 2) Mr. Leonardo Brown; and
- 3) Ms. Karen Sutherland.

(ii) <u>Jamaica Promotions Corporation (JAMPRO)</u>

Cabinet approved the appointment of the following persons to the Board for a period of two (2) years with effect from 8 June 2020 to 7 June 2022:

- Senator Don Wehby Chairman;
- 2) Mr. Metry Seaga Vice-Chairman;
- 3) Mr. Yoni Epstein;
- 4) Mr. Christopher Williams;
- 5) Mr. Gary Saddler;

- 6) Mr. Delano Seiveright;
- 7) Ms. Lisa Soares-Lewis;
- 8) Mrs. Gillian Wilkinson McDaniel;
- 9) Mr. Christian Tavares-Finson;
- 10) Mr. Ian Levy;
- 11) Mr. Zachary Harding; and
- 12) Dr. Andrew Gordon.

Official Funeral for Honourable Shahine Elizabeth Robinson, MP

Cabinet approved the according of an Official Funeral to Honourable Shahine Elizabeth Robinson, former Cabinet Minister.

Mrs. Robinson served in public life for over 20 years of service prior to her death on Friday, 29 May 2020. She served as Member of Parliament for St. Ann North Eastern since 2001, as Minister of Labour and Social Security from March 2016 up to the time of her passing, as Minister of Transport and Works from 2011 to 2012, as Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister from 2007 to 2011, and in 2011, as Minister without Portfolio in the Ministry of Housing, Environment, Water and Local Government, with responsibility for local government.

5. Sale of the Remaining Preference Shares of TransJamaican Highway (TJH) Limited to the Jamaica Capital Market

Cabinet gave approval for the sale of the remaining Preference Shares of TransJamaican Highway Limited (TJH) that were owned by the National Road Operating and Constructing Company Limited (NROCC), to the Jamaica Capital Market; and the variation to the original agreement with National Commercial Bank Jamaica Limited for the sale of the remainder of the Preference Shares of TJH that were owned by NROCC to the Jamaica Capital Market.

The proposed method for the sale of the Preference Shares to the Jamaica Capital Market is through a private sale. Additionally, as NCB was the dealer manager and underwriter for the IPO for the sale of the Ordinary Shares of TJH to the Jamaica Capital Market and is familiar with the related issues and investor base, it is proposed that the Commitment Letter with NCB be varied to allow for the sale of the remaining Preference Shares by the Company. This will also mitigate against execution risk.

The Honourable House is asked to note the foregoing.

Prime Minister 23 July 2020