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THE CONSTITUTION OF JAMAICA

A PROCLAMATION



By His Excellency, the Most Honourable Sir PATRICK LINTON ALLEN, Member of the Order of the Nation, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Order of Distinction, Knight of Grace of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem, Governor-General of Jamaica.

WHEREAS by virtue of section 20(1) of the Constitution of Jamaica, the Governor-General may make a Proclamation declaring that a state of public emergency exists:

AND WHEREAS section 20(2) of the Constitution of Jamaica provides that a Proclamation made under section 20 shall not be effective for the purposes of subsection (1) unless it is declared that the Governor-General is satisfied, *inter alia* that action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any person or body of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be likely to endanger the public safety or to deprive the community, or any substantial portion of the community, of supplies or services essential to life:

AND WHEREAS section 20(3) of the Constitution of Jamaica specifies that a Proclamation made by the Governor-General for the purposes of and in accordance with that section shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for fourteen days or for such longer period, not exceeding three months, as both Houses of Parliament may determine by a resolution supported by a two-thirds majority of all the members of each House:

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that action has been taken or is immediately threatened by persons or bodies of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be likely to endanger the public safety of the community specified in the Schedule:

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that a state of public emergency exists in the communities specified in the Schedule as a result of the aforementioned circumstances:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICK LINTON ALLEN, Member of the Order of the Nation, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Order of Distinction, Knight of Grace of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem, Governor-General of Jamaica, in exercise of the power conferred upon me by section 20 of the Constitution of Jamaica, and of every other power hereunto enabling, DO HEREBY DECLARE that—

- (a) a state of public emergency exists in the communities specified in the Schedule; and
- (b) this Proclamation shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for fourteen days or for such longer period, not exceeding three months, as both Houses of Parliament may determine by a resolution supported by a two-thirds majority of all the members of each House.

SCHEDULE

Communities in which a State of Public Emergency Exists

The area of land comprising the entire parishes of St. James, Westmoreland and Hanover within the established parish borders, that is to say—

East: The eastern boundary starts at the easternmost point of St. James, at the coastal intersection of the parish boundaries of St. James and Trelawny. The eastern boundary then extends in a south-westerly direction along the shared parish borders of St. James and Trelawny, St. Elizabeth and also Westmoreland to the southern coast.

South: The southern boundary then extends in a westerly direction along the entire coast of Westmoreland to the westernmost point of the Island.

West: The western boundary then extends in a northerly direction along the shared coastline of Westmoreland and then Hanover, to the westernmost point of Hanover.

North: The northern boundary continues along the coast of Hanover and St. James and back to the easternmost point of the shared coastal boundary of St. James and Trelawny.

Given under my hand and the Broad Seal of Jamaica at King's House, this 28th day of December in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-two and the First Year of the Reign of His Majesty King Charles III.

GOD SAVE THE KING