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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2020
AT 10:00 AM

PRESENT: His Excellency The Governor, Mr Timothy Foy, OBE

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Economic Development,
Commerce, Tourism and Information Technology, Mr Victor Banks

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Minister of Health and Social Development, Lands and Physical
Planning, Mr Evans Rogers

The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs and Education, Mrs Cora Richardson-
Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing,
Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment, Mr Curtis Richardson

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford

Clerk to Executive Council, Mrs Jewelle Fleming, MBE

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Cardigan Connor
Financial Specialist, Mr Stephen Turnbull
PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
Director of Nursing Services, Mrs Alecia Haywood
Director of Health Services, Dr Lishaw Ward
Health Planner, Ms Rochelle Rodgers
Director of Chronic Diseases Unit, Mrs Twyla Bradshaw-Richardson
Chairman, Anguilla Tourist Board, Mrs Donna Banks
Tourism Research Officer (acting), Ms Andia Ravariere
Chief Immigration Officer, Ms Laureen Bryan
Senior Immigration Officer, Mr Ivor Hull

EX MIN 20/43

EX MEM 20/28 BRIEFING AND RECOMMENDATION FOR THE
CONTROL OF NOVEL CORONA VIRUS (2019-nCoV) IN ANGUILLA

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Financial Specialist remained. The following
persons joined:

PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
 Director of Nursing Services, Mrs Alecia Haywood
 Director of Health Services, Dr Lishaw Ward
 Health Planner, Ms Rochelle Rodgers
 Director of Chronic Diseases Unit, Mrs Twyla Bradshaw-Richardson
 Chairman, Anguilla Tourist Board, Mrs Donna Banks
 Tourism Research Officer (acting), Ms Andia Ravariere
 Chief Immigration Officer, Ms Lauren Bryan
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Council noted apologies from the Chief Medical Officer, Dr Aisha Andrewin who is in Trinidad attending a conference concerning the Novel Corona Virus.

Following on from EX MIN 20/37 of 30 January, Council noted that the World Health Organisation (WHO) has updated the status of the Novel Corona Virus to the level of a public health emergency of international concern.

Council considered and agreed that:

- (i) based on the current information available from the WHO, any travel or trade should not be banned;
- (ii) screening of passengers at ports of entry to identify passengers who have travelled to China within the last fourteen days will be implemented. Passengers who have been identified as having visited China within a fourteen day period will be referred to the health services for quarantine for the recommended period of time or to the Princess Alexandra Hospital for treatment whichever is more appropriate;
- (iii) the Ministry of Health and the Health Authority of Anguilla should continue to implement its action plan for the prevention and control of the transmission of the virus in Anguilla, and the management and treatment of cases should they occur, and to work collaboratively with the Immigration Department for screening services;
- (iv) the Ministry of Health and the Health of Authority of Anguilla should ensure that there is adequate staffing of relevant services for the monitoring and treatment of quarantined passengers;
- (v) a protocol team be established to deal with issues regarding detention of passengers, getting samples to the lab within appropriate time, how information is being disseminated, effective control and other logistics;
- (vi) hygiene signage would continue to be posted in entry area at all ports of entry. Hand sanitizers would be made available for passengers and staff;
- (vii) discussion with the Ministry of Health and the Attorney General's Chambers on having regulations in place pertaining to the appointment of a quarantine authority; and

- (viii) a press release be made by the Minister of Health on the status of the virus and Anguilla's position.

Action: PS, HLPP; CMO; HON AG; CEO, HAA; HON MIN, HSD
