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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 30TH MARCH 2020
AT 1:30 PM

- 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
Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, Mrs Evalie Bradley
PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
Chief Medical Officer, Dr Aisha Andrewin
Chief Executive Officer, Health Authority of Anguilla, Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams
Head of Governor's Office, Mr Colin Hicks
Commissioner of Police, Mr Paul Morrison

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COVID-19 ANGUILLA RESPONSE UPDATES

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained. The following persons joined:

PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
Chief Medical Officer, Dr Aisha Andrewin
Chief Executive Officer, Health Authority of Anguilla, Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams
Head of Governor's Office, Mr Colin Hicks
Commissioner of Police, Mr Paul Morrison

Further to EX MIN 20/157 of 27 March, Council noted the following:

- 1) Global Updates
- 2) Anguilla Updates:
 - (i) seven (7) negative, two (2) positive, seven (7) samples sent on Monday 30 March and one (1) additional to be sent on Wednesday 1 April.
 - (ii) implementation of active surveillance (case finding) measures for the next two weeks:
 - contact tracing conducted for the two confirmed cases
 - monitoring of known persons on quarantine continued
 - continuation of community surveillance teams seeking to strategically conduct assessments at workplaces, villas and guesthouses
 - (iii) expanding laboratory capacity to do testing on island:
 - informed that two (2) PCR machines have been procured for AXA – however, enzyme for extraction needs to be sourced for the first and the cartridges for the second
 - viral swab challenges highlighted – seeking procurement
 - (iv) Quarantine Update:
 - as of Sunday 29 March, 81 persons were on quarantine orders; 78 of these persons are on self-quarantine with three (3) persons at the government facility
 - persons on quarantine orders are to be followed up between 24-48 hours after arrival.

3) Passenger Movements

Council:

- (i) noted that a number of persons on the island were eagerly requesting repatriation;
- (ii) noted that Anguilla's borders have been closed for the movement of all passengers for fourteen (14) days since 11:59 on Friday 20 March.
- (iii) agreed, based on the advice from the Chief Medical Officer that the period of closure for borders should be extended for a further fourteen (14) days, but agreed to allow a very short period of time, under controlled circumstances for those persons who wish to leave Anguilla to do so. This decision should be

relayed to such persons indicating that they must liaise with the Ministry of Health;

- (iv) noted that a flight was scheduled for Saturday 4 April and would not be allowed to bring passengers into Anguilla, as it was only intended to allow persons who are US citizens or permanent residents of the USA to return home; and
- (v) further noted that measures would continue to be in place to prevent any illegal entry in Anguilla.

4) Compliance of Regulations

The Commissioner of Police reported that the RAPF were working hard to ensure that the restrictions in place were being adhered. He stated that vehicle check points were being carried out and the general feeling was that most Anguillians were sincerely following the regulations issued by the Hon Minister of Health on Friday 27 March, and are staying at home.

5) Compensatory Package

Council further noted that the Ministry of Labour, the Ministry of Finance and the Board of Anguilla Social Security were working out a compensatory package for those workers whose employment have been impacted by the COVID-19 virus and who are contributors to the social security system. A formal paper would be presented to Executive Council shortly for consideration.

Action: PS, HLPP; HON AG; CMO; CEO, HAA; MINS OF GOV'T
