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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH APRIL 2020
AT 9:00 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
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
PS, Home Affairs and Education, Mrs Chanelle Petty Barrett
Chief Immigration Officer, Ms Lauren Bryan
PS, Finance, Dr Aidan Harrigan
Comptroller of Customs, Mr Travis Carty
PS, Infrastructure, Communications and Utilities, Mr Karim Hodge
Chief Executive Officer, Anguilla, Air and Sea Ports Authority, Mr Sherman Williams
Director of Fisheries, Ms Kafi Gumbs
Commissioner of Police, Mr Paul Morrison

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COVID-19 ANGUILLA RESPONSE MEASURES

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
 PS, Home Affairs and Education, Mrs Chanelle Petty Barrett
 Chief Immigration Officer, Ms Laureen Bryan
 PS, Finance, Dr Aidan Harrigan
 Comptroller of Customs, Mr Travis Carty
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 Chief Executive Officer, Anguilla, Air and Sea Ports Authority, Mr Sherman Williams
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Further to EX MIN 20/158 of 30 March, Council:

- (i) noted to date that there were three (3) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Anguilla. Samples taken from all other suspected cases have returned negative. No test results are outstanding and there is no evidence of the virus having been spread;
- (ii) was thankful that Anguilla's position was very good, but noted that the neighbouring islands were a very high risk;
- (iii) agreed that ports would remain closed for the movement of passengers until 00.01 after midnight on 21 April;
- (iv) noted that the Customs Department and the Royal Anguilla Police Force are conducting joint patrols to stop boats before they arrive in Anguilla. Noted that boats have been turned back with the intent to prevent smuggling people into Anguilla, including those engaged in lawful activity;
- (v) taking into consideration the rapid evolving situation in the region, agreed to support the following initiatives which protect our borders:
 - (a) introduction of a regulation under the Emergency Powers Act (EPA) prohibiting the use of any boat in Anguilla's waters, other than those specifically exempted. This includes all vessels, including those engaged in fishing;
 - (b) a coordinated approach with the Departments of Fisheries, Customs, Immigration and the RAPF to allow the fishermen the opportunity to secure their fishing pots within a reasonable time; and
 - (c) this prohibition would come into force on 00.01 after midnight on Wednesday 8 April 2020 until 00.01 after midnight on Tuesday 21 April 2020.
- (vi) agreed that there should be a Special Meeting of Executive Council on Wednesday 8 April at 3:00 pm to review the regulation; and
- (vii) congratulated the Immigration, Customs and RAPF officials for an excellent repatriation process (concerning US and Canadian nationals) which took place on Saturday 4 April and Sunday 5 April.

Council encouraged everyone to act responsibly and follow the required measures.

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