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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DECISION AGREED BY ROUND ROBIN

The following was approved by Round Robin on **Monday 13th February 2023**: -

EX MIN 23/37

EX MEM 23/25 DONATION FOR NEW CLASSROOM BLOCK AND TECHNOLOGY LAB AT VIVIEN VANTERPOOL PRIMARY SCHOOL (VVPS)

The current classroom block and computer lab building at VVPS sustained significant damage from Hurricane Irma exacerbated by its proximity to the sea. Ani Villas (ANI/TRF) has agreed to make a contribution to the relocation and redevelopment the lab to the West of the campus along with two additional classrooms as part of its MoU with the Government of Anguilla (GOA). This location will place the lab in the centre of the campus in a more protected area.

ANI/TRF currently possesses an approved MoU with the GOA for further development of their resort. As part of this MoU, ANI/TRF has identified the VVPS technology lab as a social project which it would like to support. In keeping with section 3(1) of the Capital Development Fund Regulations, Mr. Ira Bloom of ANI/TRF has submitted a letter offering US\$200,000 towards the construction of the classroom and technology block at VVPS. The GOA will manage the project and the US\$200,000 donation will be deposited in the Capital Development Fund Account.

Council:

- 1) noted the financial implications, ANI/TRF have agreed to donate US\$200,000 to the Capital Development Fund specifically to be used towards the construction of the full school block at VVPS including the IT Lab and classrooms. The GOA has allocated EC\$950,000 in its 2023 Capital Budget which is the amount estimated as required to complete the project. The recurrent costs have already been

included in the budget as there is an existing lab operating at the school. Moreover, recurrent costs for technology across the system are included in the budget;

- 2) noted the legal implications, the Capital Development Fund requires formal acceptance of the donation in accordance with section 67(2) of the Financial Administration and Audit Act. If approved, the funds will be deposited and ring-fenced in the Capital Development Fund in keeping with section 4 of the Capital Development Fund Regulations and will be used specifically for the purposes of the VVPS computer lab;
- 3) approved the donation of US\$200,000 which is to be used towards the construction of the computer lab and classroom block at VVPS in keeping with section 67(2) of the Financial Administration and Audit Act and the funds are to be deposited into the Capital Development Fund Account;
- 4) approved the request for ANI/TRF to be allowed to allocate any remaining funds (if any) at the conclusion of the project to other educational project(s) in Anguilla of their choosing in consultation with the Education Department;
- 5) approved the request that the IT Lab be named, with signage, as the ANI IT Lab; and
- 6) instructed the MoF to prepare a statement detailing the proposed income and expenditure for the Capital Development Fund and also a draft appropriation for approval by Executive Council, which if approved is for onward submission to the House of Assembly.

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