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69 Registered as British Citizens

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Sixty-Nine (69) individuals are now registered as British Citizens after being previously Naturalised as British Overseas Territories Citizens.

The individuals recited the Oath of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, as well as the Pledge of Loyalty to the United Kingdom during a ceremony held at the Government House on Tuesday, May 6.

The new citizens also received congratulatory remarks from His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Daniel Pruce and Registrar General, Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro.

Governor Pruce said as an overseas Territory and part of the realm of His Majesty, the Virgin Islands has precious links with the United Kingdom.

The Governor said, "The success that both the Virgin Islands and United Kingdom enjoy in the global economy is founded upon many shared factors, including our common law legal systems and our respect for the rule of law. But our connections go much further than that throughout history, through our people and through our culture."

Mrs. O'Flaherty-Maduro in her remarks reminded the group that becoming a British Citizen is not simply a legal process, but that it is a profound personal journey.

Mrs. O'Flaherty-Maduro said, "It reflects your dedication to integrating into a society built on democracy and respect for all people. Today, you are not only

receiving a certificate, you are being formally welcomed into a community rich in history, culture and diversity."

According to the British Nationality Act, individuals who are Naturalised as British Overseas Territory Citizens after May 21, 2002, can apply to the United Kingdom Government to be registered as British Citizens.

The new British Citizens are:

Israel Bahadoor

Ahija Kalifa Faith Cristianna Barth

Erieana Keysha Karen Bobb

Ioni Millicent Green-Brown

Myrna Elaine Burrell

Raymond George Burrell

Kahlea K'Jairah Morvelle Choucoutou

Shanta Latricia Connor

Eva Fe Nares Cook

Andrew Ricardo Cooper

Nigel Maurice Cooper

Marie-Lou Dierdre Creque

Hilario Ubiera Crispin

Barbara Louisa D'Abreau

Carlen Zara Daly

Maurica Evanda Shamona Duncan

Jason Lamon Dunkley

Michele Valerie Lucinda Saint-Edmondson

Roger St. Hope Edmondson

Sahodra Faulkner

Petra Francis

Joanna Equis Miranda-Gaskin

Suzette Ann Marie Grant

Ruth Karon Joslin Hazell

K'Mari Shyne Helliger

Rhohani Shyann Hypolite

Keren Ailza Industrus

Mikey Shavone Joseph

Shanda Princess Joseph

Sarab Kosmass

Tarek Kosmass

Rainford Brian Legair

Leonardo Kenado Lewis

Kenley Emanuel Matthew

Steadroy Anthony Matthew

Jahlil Robertson Mendes

Everton Edward Morgan

Aaliyah Eliza Alexandra Morris

Delano Juvaun Nibbs Veronica Erica Okoro Nosa Everest Omo-Igbinomwanhia **Daniel Paul** Ketlene Rosaline Bowman-Penn Patria Marilis Mateo Penn Sundrimonie Pertabsingh **Brenton Howard Peters** Zobeida De Los Angeles Mercedes De Potter Jimron Jade Purcell Yudy Altagracia Maldonado Reyes Kedesha K'Shoni Rochester Mickel Deshon Rogers Loinel Lancell Smith Rosario Junior Kadafi Samuel Petagaye Roxanne Daley-Savage Heida Fiana Marlita Joyles-Selwood John Frantz Septus

Micheal Benerdo Pedro Elmondo Simmons

Ronald Shridat Singh

Chaneca Jewel Smith

Kathia Patricia Gonzalez Steer

Radcliffe Anthony Stone

Sabrina Celina Thomas

Valerie Thomas

Edward Ralph Titre

Kia Cherica Janay Vanterpool

Gladys Mae Walters

Dorca Maria Wells

David Leroy Williams

Marcia Junuissa Josephine D'Junie Williams

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