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# Patricia Blaize-Adams Appointed Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports

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Patricia Blaize-Adams has been appointed as Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports effective 2nd February, 2026.

Ms. Blaize-Adams is an experienced Human Resources professional with more than 20 years of experience, having most recently worked as Human Resources Manager for the BVI Ports Authority. She has also worked as HR Director and Regional Learning and Development Director, Caribbean as well as Regional Head of HR for Cable and Wireless (FLOW).

As Deputy Secretary Ms. Blaize-Adams will provide advice and support the Permanent Secretary in the formulation of policy for the Ministry and its Departments. She will conduct research, develop policy proposals and liaise with ministries on a wide range of issues while providing direct leadership on special projects.

Permanent Secretary (Ag.), Mr. Claude Kettle said “Patricia Blaize-Adams’ appointment as Deputy Secretary marks a strong commitment to a people-first approach in our ministry. With decades of leadership and human resources expertise in the private sector, she has guided organisations through significant change, aligning strategy with culture, capability, and performance. I am confident her proven track record of transformation will accelerate our reforms and strengthen the delivery of quality education for every student.”

Ms. Blaize Adams has earned an Executive Diploma in Management from the University of the West Indies and a Master of Science in Business Management from Manchester Metropolitan University. She has also been awarded multiple certifications.

The new Deputy Secretary highlighted that she is pleased to join the Ministry’s leadership team and effectively contributing to the ongoing transformation. She said, “I look forward to being a part of this progressive Ministry and working alongside an innovative leadership team. My Leadership mantra for many years has been a quote from Theodore Roosevelt - "People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care." As I take up my new role as Deputy Secretary for the Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports, I endeavour to

lead with genuine empathy and care.”

The Government of the Virgin Islands remains committed to the recruitment of skilled individuals to drive the ongoing transformation of the Public Service.

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