

## THE CABINET OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS - POST MEETING STATEMENT

CABINET DECISIONS
16th and 23rd October, 2024

## Cabinet Meeting - 16th October, 2024

His Excellency, the Governor Mr. Daniel Pruce, chaired the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 at the Premier's Conference Room.

All Members were present.

#### Cabinet:

- 1. Noted the content of the Governor's Office Commission of Inquiry Outstanding Recommendations.
- 2. Decided that the Counter-Terrorism Act, 2021 be amended to address the deficiencies outlined in respect of Recommendation 6 of the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF) Fourth Round Mutual Evaluation Report on the Virgin Islands published in February 2024; approved the Counter-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2024, which seeks to align the principal Act with international standards and to address certain deficiencies identified in the CFATF Fourth Round Mutual Evaluation Report in relation to targeted financial sanctions related to terrorism and terrorist financing; and decided that the Bill be introduced for its first reading in the House of Assembly at the next convenient sitting.
- 3. Received the two (2) updated bound volumes containing the revision of Laws of the Virgin Islands as at 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2023; and decided that the revised enactments be laid on the table at the next convenient sitting of the House of Assembly.
- 4. Approved one (1) Non-Belonger Land Holding Licence application.

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#### Cabinet Meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024

His Excellency, the Governor Mr. Daniel Pruce, chaired the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024, at the Premier's Conference Room.

All Members were present.

#### Cabinet:

- Reviewed and accepted the Situation Report prepared by the Department of Disaster Management following the passage of 5<sup>th</sup> June Flood Event; noted the flash flood reports from the Public Works Department for the rain event 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024; and noted actions taken during and after the 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> June Flood Event.
- 2. Noted that Public Service Week 2024 would be held from 10<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 under the theme "Unity in Service: Our Public Service Standing Together."
- 3. Received and accepted the Situation Report 1 and 2, respectively, and Ernesto Summary prepared by the Department of Disaster Management, prior to and following the passage of Tropical Storm Ernesto; and noted the damage assessments for the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2024 rain event from the Public Estate Management Unit Government Accommodations Assessment BVI Health Service Authority, Public Works Department Flash Flood Report and noted the actions taken during and after the passage of Tropical Storm Ernesto.
- 4. Noted the content of the Governor's Office Commission of Inquiry Outstanding Recommendations.
- 5. Approved two (2) Non-Belonger Land Holding Licence applications.

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