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**MINUTES OF THE 216<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE TWELFTH ANGUILLA  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 AT 9.00 AM**

- PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch
- The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Economic Development & Investment and Health, Dr. Ellis Webster
- The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley
- The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Human Rights, Constitutional Affairs, Information and Broadcasting, Lands and Physical Planning, Mr. Kenneth Hodge
- The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, and Tourism, Mr. Haydn Hughes
- The Honourable Minister of Sustainability, Innovation, and the Environment, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie
- The Honourable Attorney General, Mr. Kurt De Freitas KC
- Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster
- IN ATTENDANCE: The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Merrick Richardson
- Head of the Governor's Office, Mr. Orlando Ames-Lewis
- Financial Adviser, Mr. Evarist Mwesigye
- ABSENT: The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Cultural Affairs, Youth Affairs, Gender Affairs, Education, and Library Services, Ms. Dee-Ann Kentish-Rogers

**EX MIN 25/26**

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Head of Governor's Office and Financial Adviser remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 215<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

**MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

None.

**EX MIN 25/27**

**EX MEMO 25/21 Applications for the Permit of Permanent Residence**

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Head of Governor's Office and Financial Adviser remained.

The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs briefed Council on the memorandum. It was noted that Executive Council Minute 23/342 instructed the Ministry of Home Affairs to liaise with the Attorney General's Chambers to draft Regulations in line with Section 24 of the Immigration Act as it relates to the grant of Permanent Residency. It was further noted that many efforts were made to execute this directive, however, it was decided that the Executive Council will resume considering the endorsement of the Minister's recommendations for Permits for Permanent Residency to Her Excellency the Governor in the interim of the revised Immigration Act taking effect. As such, it is recommended that the Executive Council endorse the Minister's recommendation for granting of a Permit of Permanent Residency to Her Excellency the Governor for 22 persons.

Executive Council:

1. Endorsed the recommendation of the Honourable Minister of Home Affairs with responsibility for Immigration, for submission of applications for consideration by Her Excellency the Governor, as it relates to the grant of Permanent Residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act 2000, for **22 persons**;
2. Further agreed that the applicant must submit a valid Certificate of Good Standing from the Inland Revenue Department, before the application is submitted to Her Excellency the Governor for consideration; and

3. Noted that granting of Permanent Residence does not exempt the recipients from the provisions of the Labour Relations Act, 2018 and associated Work Permit Regulations 2023 nor will it entitle them to Belonger status until they have been residing in Anguilla for 15 years, or become a naturalized British Citizen in Anguilla. These individuals would become eligible for applying for Naturalization after one year of permanent residency being issued.

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**EX MIN 25/28**

**EX MEMO 25/22 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX - Registration Section: East Central, Block 89118 B, Parcel 237 being 0.50 of an Acre**

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Head of Governor’s Office and Financial Adviser remained.

The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs and Lands briefed Council on the application. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXX to hold on a freehold basis, property situated in Registration Section: East Central, Block 89118 B, described as Parcel 237 being 0.50 of an acre located at Shoal Bay, Anguilla for residential purposes with a dwelling house thereon, subject to the following:

(a) Payment of the following Stamp Duties:

(i)	under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$1,548,403.20	EC\$ 77,420.16
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$1,548,403.20	<u>EC\$ 77,420.16</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>EC\$154,840.32</u></b>

(b) The property must be used for residential purposes.

(c) The Licencees must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry with responsibility for Economic Development, Investment, and Commerce, in order to rent the said property.

(d) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018, and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, HA.

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