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**MINUTES OF THE 217TH MEETING OF THE TWELFTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 20TH 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 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
- The Honourable Minister of Sustainability, Innovation and the Environment, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie

EX MIN 25/29

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

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

Council confirmed the minutes of the 216th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 13th February 2025.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

EX MIN 25/30

EX MEMO 25/22 Approval of the Education (Appeal Tribunal) (Oath of Non-Disclosure) Regulations, 2025

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

The Education Act, provides for the establishment of an Education Appeal Tribunal to hear appeals related to decisions made under the Act. This Tribunal has been established by the Minister of Education. In order to preserve the confidentiality of sensitive information disclosed during tribunal proceedings, it is necessary to implement regulations that require tribunal members to take an Oath of Non-Disclosure. As such, it requested that the Executive Council approve the Education (Appeal Tribunal) (Oath of Non-Disclosure) Regulations, 2025 in accordance with section 181(5) of the Education Act, R.S.A. c. E26.

Executive Council approved the Education (Appeal Tribunal) (Oath of Non-Disclosure) Regulations, 2025 as presented in the memorandum to Council.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: PS, MSDE; HON MIN, MSDE.

EX MIN 25/31

EX MEMO 25/23 Applications for the Permit of Permanent Residency

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 15 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 the following persons:
 - i. **XXXX**
 - ii. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - iii. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - iv. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - v. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - vi. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - vii. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - viii. **XXXXXXX**
 - ix. **XXXXXXXXXX**
 - x. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - xi. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - xii. **XXXXXXXXXXXX**
 - xiii. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**

xiv. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**

xv. **XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**

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.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: CIO; LAB COM; PS, HA; HON MIN, HA.

EX MIN 25/32

EX MEMO 25/24 Application for Issue of Licence Under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- XXXXX - Registration Section: East End, Block 99315 B, Parcel 307 being 0.57 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 **XXXXXX** to hold to hold property situated in – Registration Section East End, Block 99315 B, described as Parcel 307 being 0.57 of an acre of land, located in Sea Feathers for private residential purposes with a dwelling house thereon, subject to:

(a) Payment of the following stamp duties:

- (i) under the Stamp Act – 5%
of EC\$10,309,247.00

EC\$ 515,462.35

- (ii) under the Aliens Land Holding

Regulation Act – 5%
of EC\$10,309,247.00

EC\$ 515,462.35

TOTAL

EC\$1,030,924.70

- (b) The property must be used for residential purposes.
- (c) The Licencee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Economic Development, Investment, Commerce, Information Technology & Natural Resources in order to rent the said property.
- (d) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla enforced 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.
- (e) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.
- (f) That in the circumstances the vendors, Oceanfront Development Inc. be refunded the total of their refundable deposit for the subject property via the usual process between the Department of Lands and Treasury.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

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