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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 27TH DECEMBER 2013

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism and Minister of Labour and Immigration, Minister of Social Development and Health

The Honourable Acting Deputy Governor, Mr Larry Franklin

The Honourable Jerome Roberts, Minister of Lands, Physical Planning, Human Rights, Environment, Gender Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries and Minister of Education, Library Services, Sports, Youth and Culture

The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood QC

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Haydn Hughes, Parliamentary Secretary

Mr Patrick Hanley, Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance

Mr Perin Bradley, Compliance Manager

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN

Mrs Mary Clare Haskins-Banton, Crown Counsel

EX MIN 13/864 EX MEM 13/394 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR THE ROYAL ANGUILLA POLICE FORCE

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN joined the Meeting.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to the Royal Anguilla Police Force on a white Lincoln MKZ Sedan to be raffled as part of its 42nd Anniversary and Police Week 2014.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$23,256.66.

Action: PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; COC; FO

EX MIN 13/866 <u>LETTER TO THE HON CHIEF MINISTER FROM COMPANY</u> MANAGERS OF ANGUILLA

The Parliamentary Secretary and the Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance remained for discussion.

Council noted a signed letter by several Company Managers of Anguilla dated 22nd March 2013 to the Hon Chief Minister with regard to a section of the Companies Management Act for the requirement of audited accounts by Company Managers.

Ministers were minded to agree to an amendment to the Act to exempt smaller businesses from the requirement for audited accounts in order to facilitate small businesses.

HE the Governor undertook to speak to the Director, FSC concerning the matter before further consideration of the matter in Executive Council.

Action: HE; MINS OF GOV'T; HON AG

EX MIN 13/867

EXTENSION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE CONTRACT (NAGICO)

The Parliamentary Secretary and the Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the Medical Insurance contract between NAGICO and the GoA should be extended to 31st March 2014.

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

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN

EX MIN 13/868

SIGNING OF LEGISLATION

The Parliamentary Secretary and the Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance remained for discussion.

HE the Governor, following approval from Executive Council, signed the following pieces of legislation for gazetting:-

- 1) Assessment of Industry Levy (Telecommunications) Regulations, 2013; and
- 2) Licence Fee Regulations, 2013

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

Action: AG; PS, MICUH; COP

EX MIN 13/869 A BILL FOR ANGUILLA POLICE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2013

The Parliamentary Secretary and the Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance remained for discussion.

Council approved the Bill for the Anguilla Police (Amendment) Act, 2013 for consideration in the Anguilla House of Assembly.

Council continued to express concern regarding gun violence, following the recent gun related fatality. Council agreed to consider what further legislation or measures could be implemented to assist in combating gun violence on the island.

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

Action: AG; COP

EX MIN 13/870 **EX MEM 13/214 URGENT/ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

EX MIN 13/446 of 26 June 2013 and EX MIN 13/461 of 18 July 2013 refer.

Council agreed that the matter pertaining to financial assistance for Mr Asharn Hodge, a Belonger of Anguilla who is pursuing a degree in Accounting & Economics at UWI, Barbados for four (4) years should be deferred to the next regular meeting of Executive Council to be held on Thursday 2nd January 2014.

Council further agreed that the PS, PA should be invited to attend the meeting for discussion on this matter.

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

Action: EXCO MEMBERS; PS, PA
