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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2015

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning

The Hon Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

The Hon Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development

The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Environment, Human Rights, Gender Affairs, Constitutional Affairs and Information and Broadcasting

The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture and Fisheries and Information Technology

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Rupert Jones

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary

Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant, MHA

Mr Rhon Connor, Deputy Director, Policy & Administration, Dept. of

Environment

Mr Clint Lake, Coordinator, Scientific Research & Technology

Development, DoE

Ms Carencia Rouse, Coordinator, Conservation Education, DoE

EX MIN 15/573 EX MEM 15/330 MANAGEMENT OF THE SARGASSUM SEAWEED IN ANGUILLA

Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant, MHA remained in attendance. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Mr Rhon Connor, Deputy Director, Policy & Administration, Dept. of Environment

Mr Clint Lake, Coordinator, Scientific Research & Technology
Development, DoE

Ms Carencia Rouse, Coordinator, Conservation Education, DoE

Council:-

- (i) noted that the sargassum seaweed was affecting a number of beaches on Anguilla;
- (ii) agreed the sum of US\$26,570.00 for the clean-up of 10 (ten) beaches around the island simultaneously, as a short-term solution;
- (iii) agreed that the Department of Environment should liaise with the Procurement Board in keeping with established procedures;
- (iv) agreed that Officials should come back to Executive Council for consideration of additional spending for the clean-up process, if necessary;
- (v) agreed that there should be monitoring on the beaches during the clean-up process to ensure that there is no sand mining; and
- (vi) agreed that a paper should be submitted to Executive Council at the end of the year detailing the long-term strategy to deal with this issue, and to include costs which would be reflected in the 2016 Budget.

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

Action: PS, MHA; DIR, ENV; DEP DIR, ENV; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 15/574 A BILL FOR SPECIAL ADVISERS TO MINISTERS ACT, 2015

Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant, MHA remained in attendance.

Council noted the Bill for Special Advisers to Ministers Act, 2015. Council agreed that consideration be given to the matter subsequently.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 15/575 EX MEM 15/295 ANGUILLA POLICE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2015

Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant, MHA remained in attendance.

Further to EX MIN 15/527 of 21 September 2015, Council agreed that there should be a further period of two (2) weeks for consultation on the above Bill.

Action: HON AG; CLERK, HOA

EX MIN 15/576 **OUTSTANDING LEGISLATION**

The Hon Minister of Social Development expressed the desire that the following outstanding legislation/documents be given priority:-

- 1) Domestic Violence Bill
- 2) Charter for the St. James School of Medicine (Anguilla)
- 3) Policy on Non-National Children born in Anguilla

Action: HON AG
