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BPL BOARD FIRED

BY JAMEELHA MISSICK
 Journal Staff Writer

The Cabinet of the Bahamas has fired the Board of Bahamas Power and Light (BPL) for making a decision that is not in the national interest.

The Journal has confirmed that the termination of the Board came about as a result of a complaint that there was an attempt to purchase technology for the use of the Company which was too old.

It is alleged that some form of corruption was involved in the acquisition.

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"Let Freeport Go And Grow"

BY JAMEELHA MISSICK
 Journal Staff Writer



▶ Queens Counsel, Fred Smith (Journal file photo)

Reacting to suggestions in recent days for the government to purchase The Grand Bahama Port Authority, controversial Queens Counsel Fred Smith is calling for the nationalization and immediate privatization of the entity.

Speaking on the Love 97 Radio Show "On Point", Mr. Smith a Senior partner in the law firm Callenders and Company said, "we need new blood, we need new money, we need new

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D'AGUILAR DEFENDS HOTEL PURCHASE

BY LEAH COOPER
 Journal Staff Writer



▶ Tourism Minister, Dionisio D'Aguilar (Journal file photo)

The Minister of Tourism Dionisio D'Aguilar says, the government's decision to purchase The Grand Lucayan Resort in Freeport, Grand Bahama "is not a good decision, but we have to make a decision. Governments have to act to make an attempt to save the economy of Freeport."

The decision however is criticized by a cross-section of the public, including from former Prime Minister Hubert Ingraham, the official

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Minister Encourages Reporting On Denial of School Admissions

BY LEAH COOPER
 Journal Staff Writer

The Minister of Education Jeffrey Lloyd is encouraging the public to report any instance of a child being denied admission to a public school. He is responding to claims from Right Bahamas that schools are demanding proof of status from students.

Mr. Lloyd told reporters ahead of his weekly Cabinet meeting that both the law and the government's policy position is very clear on the issue.

He said, "The Free National Movement government years ago made a very clear statement with regard to this. All children in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas who can provide some information

with regard to where they live, who their parents are, and contact information; are entitled to be registered in our school system."

He added "no educator, no principal, no school system is authorized to request them to prove no status. We are not in that business."

Mr. Lloyd appealed to anyone who may have been affected to reach out to his ministry.

He said "If you know of a single instance where a child has been denied admission to a public school, and there is no justifiable reason for that denial; bring it to the Ministry of Education's attention."

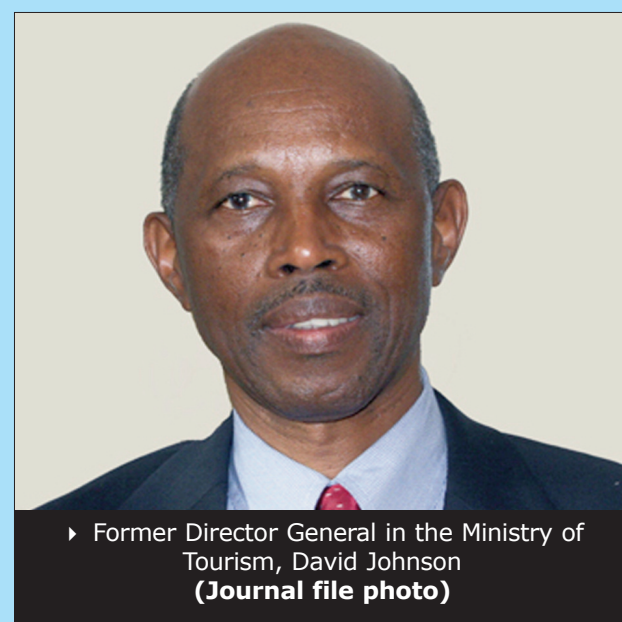
He added "I need to

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▶ Minister of Education, Hon. Jeffrey Lloyd (Journal file photo)

Former Tourism Director General Dies



▶ Former Director General in the Ministry of Tourism, David Johnson (Journal file photo)

Former Director General in the Ministry of Tourism, David Johnson passed away last evening in the Princess Margaret Hospital at the age of 67.

Mr. Johnson who has been ailing for a few months, died after having complications due to Colon Cancer.

He has served in many other capacities in the tourism industry in the Bahamas over the last three decades, including

in the position of Managing Director of Bahamasair for several years, Executive Director of the Grand Bahama Tourism Promotion Board and as a Director in the Hotel Corporation of the Bahamas.

In recent years, Mr. Johnson served as a consultant to several touristic ventures in the Bahamas.

He is survived by his wife Sabrina and two sons.

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U.S. INVESTS IN BAHAMAS BORDER PROTECTION

BY LEAH COOPER
 Journal Staff Writer

The U.S. government has made another big investment in securing the borders of The Bahamas yesterday with a \$1 million package that was turned over to the

Defense Force's Harbor Patrol Unit.

The package includes a safe 25 full cabin response boat, capable of speeds of over 40 knots and crew and passenger capacity of up to 10 people.

There was also a 2018 Ford F-350 extended cab

truck with boat trailer for launching and retrieving; along with boat spares and safety equipment for up to two years of operation.

A two-week training program on familiarization, operation, boat-handling and maintenance of this new vessel for up to

20 people will also be provided.

Present for the handover was National Security Minister Marvin Dames.

He said that the safe boat will be used for the

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“Let Freeport Go And Grow”

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ideas and we need the government to let Freeport grow by letting it go.”

He said “the infrastructure of Freeport is virtually collapsed and that is because the Port Group of Companies and Hutchinson Whampoa, they own most of the land and they’re not mortgaging it. They’re not leveraging it, they’re not investing in it and frankly with the restrictions by the government in real estate development and control of licensing, especially immigration, one can see why the Port Authority or Hutchinson etc, really don’t make an investment in the development and growth of Freeport.

“I’ve seen their projections, I’ve seen fabulous opportunities for investments come and go, simply because they get mired in the quagmire of government bureaucracy.

“There’s over control of Freeport by the govern-

ment and the port authority has simply backed off and did nothing.

“The reality is, even if we didn’t have the over control by the government, I’m not sure that the St. George and the Hayward families, I suggest and I maintain, that they do not have the professional capacity, the development wherewithal to be the vision and the growth of Freeport,” said Mr. Smith.

He said, “the PLP Grand Bahama committee did not conduct a proper consultation. You may recall that one of the reasons that Mr. Carey Leonard and I sued the government successfully, was because they refused to share with us the Mckenzie Report and a lot of other information that they had and the sole objective of that committee was to do a report to the members of parliament to recommend basically how to take away regulatory powers from the port authority and allow essen-

tial governments to take over that’s the kiss of death of Freeport.

“It is the kiss of death for essential governments to own Freeport for the purpose of regulating it or developing it. Unfortunately, I was not consulted by that committee. I refused to participate, as did many other people from Freeport unless we were provided with a lot of the necessary information which the government refused to share. So I’m very glad that the FNM government chose to repeal the Grand Bahama Incentive Act.”

Mr. Smith says, “the key to unlocking Freeport is letting go of the excessive immigration control and ensuring that the port group of Companies and Hutchinson develop as they’re supposed to.

“And part of that will be to change the ownership of the port group of companies. In my view we have sufficient people from Nassau with money; and

we have licensees with money. Can you imagine if the Port Authority is made into a publicly traded company? Everybody in the Bahamas could buy into this company. Everybody in the Bahamas in particular Freeport would have a vested interest in making sure that Freeport is a success, because their dollar was invested in it, and so if the government was restricting it, you would have the thousands of Bahamian licensees telling the government to stop.

The lawyer said he had shared many of his views with both the PLP and FNM MP’s over the years. “Unfortunately most of the Cabinet Members and Parliamentarians refuse to accept that there is recession by the politicians in the Bahamas with overcontrolling everything and so the free market enterprise system doesn’t work when there is this type of control through immigration, through licensing, through permitting.

“And they have grown up in a political environment in which they think that it is appropriate for Cabinet or a Minister to say whether I can or can’t buy a piece of land, whether I can or can’t own some shares.

“Regulatory agencies should function on a very different transparent and accountable level than simply arbitrary decision makers in exchange control or in the International Persons’ Land Holding Act or immigration.

“We still have these very opaque, non-transparent, non-accountable ministerial decision making processes, that have created so much red tape for Freeport it’ll never get anywhere.

“We have to let go of the control and treat it like a free port.

Taxes, regulatory investments and immigration, Freeport could boom overnight if they would just let the damn thing go,” said Mr. Smith.

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tion which was reported to the government.

A source said, “the Prime Minister who is serious of wiping out any form of corruption in government took a dim view on this matter and has decided to take decisive action.”

The Minister of Works, Desmond Bannister who is responsible for BPL is expected to make a formal statement on the matter today.

Opposition Leader Philip Davis yesterday expressed concern following reports that the entire Board of Bahamas Power and Light has either resigned or been dismissed.

In light of such claims, Mr. Davis, said he reached out to the Prime Minister, Dr. Hubert Minnis to hear for himself the reasoning behind it.

Mr. Davis is questioning what’s the back story. “Has corruption been uncovered and is incompetence the reason?” he asked.

The PLP leader said he has spoken with the Union’s leadership and they too are very concerned.

It is understood that a new Board could be appointed as early as Friday.

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opposition leader Philip Davis and two Queen’s Counsels Fred Smith and Maurice Glinton.

All parties agree that the decision is just not a good idea, but Mr.D’Aguilar accepts this, though he says it is not an easy decision.

He said, “On one hand if you do nothing, you run the possibility of another Royal Oasis debacle evolving, and I want to remind the Bahamian people of what happened then. The government did not step forward and

they were hoping to have it sold. It was not sold, and the rest is history.”

He added, “You have a hotel that is dead. Then, it had the effects of destroying the International bazaar, and it died. So, there’s that decision. Then there’s the decision of the government buying a hotel.”

“The government does not want to buy a hotel. The government does not want to operate a hotel. The prime minister was Chairman of the Hotel Corporation back in the day, and he remembers when the government owned hotels. So, this is

not something that we are willingly wanting to do,” he said.

Minister D’Aguilar accepted that while the government’s proposal may not be a popular decision, it’s compelled to do something before it’s too late.

He said, “No one is willing to step forward to purchase the hotel. So, the government must step in to avoid the closure of that hotel and the economic consequences that may appear or may happen.”

He added, “It’s not a good decision, but we have to make a decision. Governments have to act to make an attempt to save

the economy of Freeport.”

Meanwhile, Press Secretary, Anthony Newbold, said the government must revisit its fiscal projections and all of the projections it had before the sale.

“Everything is going to have to be revamped and looked at in those terms. This is something that the government didn’t expect to have to do,” Newbold said.

“Here it is, there’s this hotel that’s sitting out there, a couple thousand people not working, we’ve got to get involved.

“So, the government gets involved, the Prime Minister

says we’re going to buy this hotel.

“Well everything that goes with that now has to be factored against what was planned for the fiscal health of at least you know, over the next 12 months.”

Mr. Newbold said there will be more employment opportunities made available to the people of Grand Bahama, hopefully beginning with the Grand Lucayan.

According to Minister D’Aguilar, the government hopes to find another buyer as quickly as possible to take the burden off its hands.



PUBLIC NOTICE OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

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Office of the Prime Minister
Cecil Wallace Whitfield Centre
Nassau, N.P., The Bahamas

Tenders must be submitted and sealed in an envelope clearly marked: APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT A LAND AUDIT WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS. All Tenders must be received no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, 31st August, 2018, and addressed to:

Chairman, The Tender Board
c/o Acting Financial Secretary
Ministry of Finance
Cecil Wallace Whitefield Centre
Nassau, N.P., The Bahamas

No increase, decrease, discount, reduction or any other changes to initial bid price(s) or conditions will be permitted after the opening of bids. Clarification of bids, as requested by the Office of the Prime Minister, may be accepted provided that the substance and prices of the bid remain unchanged.

Information submitted becomes the property of the Office of the Prime Minister, who reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

There will be a Public Briefing on Wednesday, 15th August 2018, at the Ministry of Finance, at 10:00 am. During the Public Briefing questions regarding the Project and Terms of Reference will be addressed.

Permanent Secretary



Ministry Of Transport and Aviation

Road Traffic Department

Please be advised that The Controller of the Road Traffic Department in accordance with the provision of the Road Traffic Act Chapter 220, hereby publishes his intentions to grant available, **Self-Drive Car/Scooters and Private Scheduled (School Bus) Franchises and Variations**.

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- A copy of National Insurance Card
- A current police record
- A letter of Intent (or Business Plan if Available)

PRIVATE SCHEDULE (SCHOOL BUS) FRANCHISE

- A Tentative agreement or contract from a recognised institution
- A copy of the first (4) pages of a valid passport
- A copy of National Insurance Card
- A current police record
- A copy of Driver’s Public Service Badge

All applications should be submitted to the Franchise Unit, Road Traffic Department at The Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium no later than 4:00p.m. Friday August 10th 2018.

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continued execution of maritime operations in the Nassau Harbor area.

This will include anti-terrorist activity; cruise ship waterside security; maritime patrol and search and rescue operations.

He said, "we have to continue to work towards ensuring that Bahamians and visitors alike are a part of ensuring that all our boarders and everything else is secure, and this donation today will go a long way in ensuring that we are moving in the right direction."



► Minister of National Security the Hon. Marvin Dames, Chargé d'Affaires of the United States Embassy Stephanie Bowers, and Commander of the Royal Bahamas Defence Force Commodore Tellis Bethel, pictured at the US Embassy handover of SAFE Full Cabin Response Boat and accessories to the Bahamas Government on August 14, 2018 at the Royal Bahamas Defence Force (RBDF) Harbour Patrol Unit on East Bay Street. (BIS Photos/Eric Rose)



MINISTRY OF LABOUR
THE PRICE CONTROL ACT, 1971
CHAPTER 339
THE PRICE CONTROL (GASOLINE & DIESEL OIL)
(AMENDMENT) () REGULATIONS, 2011

The public is advised that prices as shown in the Schedule for LEAD FREE GASOLINE sold by Freeport Oil Company Limited (FOCOL) became effective on Wednesday, July 25, 2018.

SCHEDULE

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		MAXIMUM SUPPLIERS' PRICE \$	MAXIMUM DISTRIBUTORS' PRICE \$	
PART B FREEPORT, G.B.		INCLUDING SEA FREIGHT		
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- One year in Operations, Compliance, and Special Projects

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SCHEDULE

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PART A				
NEW PROVIDENCE				
		I N C L U D I N G S E A F R E I G H T		
RUBIS Bahamas Ltd.	LEAD FREE ULSD	4.40	4.40	5.01
		4.27	4.27	4.65
PART B				
FREEPORT, G.B.				
		I N C L U D I N G S E A F R E I G H T		
Freeport Oil Co. Ltd.	ULSD	4.41	4.41	5.01
PART C				
GRAND BAHAMA (NOT FREEPORT)				
		I N C L U D I N G S E A F R E I G H T		
RUBIS Bahamas Ltd.	LEAD FREE ULSD	4.29	4.47	5.05
		4.14	4.32	4.70
PART D				
ABACO, ANDROS ELEUTHERA				
		N O T I N C L U D I N G S E A F R E I G H T		
RUBIS Bahamas Ltd.	LEAD FREE ULSD	4.40	4.64	5.19
		4.28	4.46	4.84
PART E				
ALL OTHER FAMILY ISLANDS				
		N O T I N C L U D I N G S E A F R E I G H T		
RUBIS Bahamas Ltd.	LEAD FREE ULSD	4.41	4.66	5.22
		4.30	4.46	4.86

ACTING PERMANENT SECRETARY



MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUILDINGS REGULATIONS ACT, 1971

NOTICE OF DEMOLITION ORDER
IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ORDER

To: Mr. Jerry Pratt
Nassau, Bahamas

REF: A SINGLE STOREY WOODEN BUILDING LOCATED ON RUPERT DEAN AND PRATT ALLEY NASSAU, BAHAMAS

File No. 2046

1. TAKE NOTICE that the Minister Of Public Works in pursuance of the powers conferred upon the Minister by Section 10 (1)(b)(i) of the *Buildings Regulations Act Chapter 188*, has made an Order dated the February 20, 2018 copy of which has been affixed on the premises requiring you the owner of the respective premises described above to remedy the cause of the said building or structure being in a ruinous dilapidated state, by demolishing the said building and removing any rubbish resulting from the demolition within sixty (60) days from the date of the Order.


Craig Delancy
Buildings Control Officer

March 15, 2018

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUILDINGS REGULATIONS ACT, 1971

NOTICE OF DEMOLITION ORDER
IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ORDER

To: Mr. Mario Newbold
No. 37 Hospital Lane & Dunmore Street
Nassau, Bahamas

REF: A TWO STOREY WOODEN BUILDING LOCATED ON NO. 37 HOSPITAL LANE & DUNMORE STREET NASSAU, BAHAMAS

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Craig Delancy
Buildings Control Officer

March 15, 2018

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUILDINGS REGULATIONS ACT, 1971

NOTICE OF DEMOLITION ORDER
IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ORDER

To: Ms. Beryl Brown
No. 3 Dumping Ground & Ferguson Street
Nassau, Bahamas

REF: A SINGLE STOREY WOODEN BUILDING LOCATED AT NO. 3 DUMPING GROUND CORNER & FERGUSON STREET NASSAU, BAHAMAS

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March 15, 2018



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Office of the Prime Minister
Cecil Wallace Whitefield Centre
Nassau, N.P., The Bahamas

Office of the Prime Minister seeks the services of a Service Provider to conduct a Land Audit throughout the Commonwealth of The Bahamas in order to establish all land that is owned, leased or licensed for use by the Government. The Land Audit will build upon the work executed under The Bahamas Land Use, Policy and Administration Project, 2009 (LUPAP).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Government will engage the Service Provider to conduct the Land Audit which will:

- Specifically identify land and give ownership information within the study area in coordination with the Surveyor General;
- Conduct a comprehensive assessment of all properties within the study area;
- Create a user-friendly GIS database with ownership categories with useful fields that will assist in the planning and packaging of interventions;
- Create a Land Audit report (maps, tables and graphs, as applicable) for each island; &
- In particular regarding Crown Lands and Treasury Lands, to determine:
 - What Government Land has been alienated for use by others, either in the form of lease holds, licenses, authorizations, joint ventures and contractual obligations;
 - What Government Land is presently under commitments to be alienated, either via grant, lease holds or other means which has not yet been perfected;
 - What Government Land is presently under consideration to be divested either via grant, conveyance, lease or other means which has not yet been perfected; and
 - Whether Government Land leased to third parties is being used for its agreed upon purpose.

DELIVERABLES

- A Land Audit report containing methodology and Land Audit findings and recommendations;
- A Land Audit database with Title Documents as applicable and information on structures in the study area, submitted in Microsoft SQL or IBM Data base 2 format;
- An A0 map size with an overlay of subject land parcels; and
- 2x copies of DVDs/ CDs with GIS spatial datasets (WGS84 ESRI or ITRF shapefiles) of the above.

Bids must be submitted and sealed in an envelope clearly marked: APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT A LAND AUDIT WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS. All Tenders must be received no later than 4:30 pm on Friday, 3rd August, 2018, and addressed to:

Chairman, The Tender Board
c/o Acting Financial Secretary
Ministry of Finance
Cecil Wallace Whitefield Centre
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Permanent Secretary

Deliberate Steps Toward Business Success

The 2018 series salutes fashion mogul Peter Nygard's Golden Jubilee detailing his rags to riches story and incredible business success over these past fifty years. The Clifton Review will take an inside look at how he did it.

Operating a business and making it a big success is not an easy endeavor. There are so many considerations for achieving success while avoiding pitfalls that are sure to prevent success.

It is the reason that so many business strategies exist for helping businesses achieve their goals. Organizational alignment is one of them. Ensuring that your business is firing on all cylinders takes focused effort. It means taking deliberate steps to ensure that all parts of the organization are working together toward the business goal.

We have seen how fashion mogul Peter Nygard worked to ensure that all parts of his organization are working together to achieve business objectives. We began looking at his specific examples by discussing his approach to structuring his organization and establishing processes that fit with his structure and business objectives.

In our continued review, here's what he did with his technological implementations toward organizational alignment:

At a macro level, Nygard developed technological tools to aid in product development and to contribute to the alignment of various departments with the business goals:

He had Product Development Visual Communications (VCom) Screens created to give his design teams real-time information about the performance of the company's apparel. He had Data warehousing software developed to ensure that both data analysts and designers could review product results and be on the same page with forecasting decisions.

Also, Nygard had Shipping VCom screens created to improve tracking of his products being shipped. His company was one of the first to use bar code scanning improving accuracy and cutting down on market delivery times.

Also assisting with market delivery times was his ARTS2 software that con-

THE CLIFTON REVIEW

By P. J. Malone

The Clifton Review is a bi-weekly column that examines the question of the Clifton project along with the evolution of the war between two billionaires, the links to unsavory characters, the use of the courts for personal agendas, the involvement of the Government opposition party (the FNM), and the attacks on the Government of The Bahamas.

nects stores with the Customer Service Centers allowing for immediate replacement orders as soon as items are sold.

These alignments had a major impact on efficiencies and the effectiveness of Nygard's business and contributed greatly to his business goals.

At the point when Nygard became technology centric, he realized it would only really be effective if he implemented technological measures across the board both internally and externally.

At a micro level, he sought ways of ensuring external processes aligned with his product development needs. When he couldn't get buy-in from his external customers, he came up with strategies to make it work.

For his manufacturers abroad, it was more efficient and cost effective to purchase the computers for them and provide the training they would need to make it work. It made an immense difference in the production timeline, reducing specification errors, which resulted in major savings.

When Nygard couldn't get his vendors to computerize, in some cases Nygard bought computers for them and trained them on how to use the company's system for placing orders and receiving invoices. With other vendors, he provided a financial incentive where companies allowing the use of the electronic invoices got discounts on their invoices.

There were many technological steps over a number of years that Nygard took that resulted in him setting a benchmark and being able to stay ahead of the curve in his industry.

While possibly not intentional, Nygard's steps to align the various parts of his organization through his technological ingenuity resulted in major financial successes for his business.

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EDITORIAL

Dreams Deferred

Whilst today's Bahamas tourist-drenched society remains an ersatz paradise for millions of Americans and of course, as it also remains a dream deferred for millions who can only dream of visiting; there is also that other Bahamas that is a living hell for so very many of this nation's children.

And so today, we draw attention to that plethora of annual reports coming in from The Social Services Department which -year in and year out -detail the extent to which Bahamians routinely abuse their children from infancy to adolescence.

Now added to that dread mix are instances where children born to undocumented immigrants are made to suffer no end of deprivation and abuse when - for whatever reason - their parents abandon them.

Reports coming our way detail cases of youth - now entering adolescence- who have never attended school; this coming about because they have been left to the mercies of people who [while helpful with scraps of food and some meager roof over their heads] can only do so much.

And so it goes: - Many of these youth -boys and girls alike- learn how to hustle and learn how to live off the proceeds of crime. And then, there is that other aspect of the matter where a small number of them flower into forms most brutal and where they vow to get rich quick or die trying.

Many of them now die in that precious moment when they dance on what might have once been the sweet cusp of innocence recognized and respected; but which sadly morphs into a nightmare of burgeoning adolescence undermined, vitiated and therefore forfeited.

Evidently, these youths can and will only - in the fullness of time - find their way into that dread vortex of street-level crime and debauch that now consumes so much of the money and resources avail-

able for so-called 'security'.

The word in the wind now shouts to all and sundry in this distressed land: "Run, come witness your judgment!"

But judgment or no judgment, we remain confident that the day is not far off when these newest Bahamians will wake to the reality that, there is yet a nation to be fashioned from the bits and scraps blown this way by forces well beyond our collective control.

As part of this process, there remains not only the regional dream of a larger and more commodious Caribbean Nation; but also that of a Greater America that comprehends all of those territories located in the Americas; whether, to the North as in Canada or to the south as in Brazil and Argentina.

And for sure- there is also the rest of that far larger world of global citizenship that encompasses the planet and which now - thanks to jet travel and the internet- nowhere is really far away any more!

In sum, then: As in all matters social, human beings are wont to be Janus-faced; thus -on occasion they look forward and progress as they find that it is in their interest to co-operate with their fellows.

But yet, there are those times of war and conflict when humankind looks backwards and [as fate would have it] they sink to hog-like levels of debauch, ruthlessness and distress.

And so it has hereof late become: Some among us learned greed; some have learned jealousy and hate; and for sure, some among us have learned and gloried in the fact that [since they could afford a refrigerator] they could then hoard food.

And saddest of all: Some among us now hate and abuse their children.

Evidently, these hurt young innocent ones will - if left to their own devices - replicate the hate bequeathed them by their elders - and so, the bloody beat will continue.

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The advertisement features a collage of newspaper front pages from The Bahama Journal. The main headline on the collage is "Four Bodies Claimed" with a sub-headline "Haitian Burials Imminent". Other visible headlines include "Brush Fire Scorches Acres of Land", "22ND MURDER VICTIM Identified", "Alleged Election Fraudster A No-Show In Court", and "Debris Hinders Business For Ferry Operators". The collage also shows various advertisements for local businesses like "MODERN Men's Boutique", "BAMM'S PLUMBING SUPPLIES", "GO TANKLESS", and "Deans Building Supplies". The background of the advertisement is a scenic view of a beach with waves crashing on the shore.



NOTICE

MINISTRY OF LABOUR
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

Please be advised that the following trade unions are in compliance with Section 30 (1), (2), and (3) of the Industrial Relations Act Ch321, Statue Law of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas:

- Bahamas Educators Managerial Union (BEMU)
- Bahamas Electrical Utility Managerial Union (BEUMU)
- Bahamas Electrical Workers Union (BEWU)
- Bahamas Financial Services Management Workers Union (BFSMU)
- Bahamas Hotel and Restaurants Employers Association (BHEA)
- Bahamas Industrial Engineers Managers & Supervisory Union (BIEMSU)
- Bahamas Musicians Entertainers Union (BMEU)
- Bahamas Utilities Services & Allied Workers Union (BUSAWU)
- Commonwealth Union of Hotel Services
- Union of Central Bankers (UCB)
- Union of Public Officers (UPO)
- Union of Tertiary Educators of The Bahamas (UTEB)

Signed
Mr. John Pinder
Registrar of Trade Unions
THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS



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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF TRADE UNIONS

The public is hereby notified that the Registration of the following Trade Unions has been cancelled pursuant to section 15(b) of the Industrial Relations Act Chapter 321 Statue Laws of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

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- Bahamas Casino Employees Association
- Bahamas Cement, Marine, Maintenance Building Construction & Allied Workers Union
- Bahamas Marine Dock Construction & Refinery Workers Union
- Bahamas Maritime Port & Allied Workers Union
- Bahamas Petroleum Retailers Association
- Bahamas Security Allied Workers Union
- Commonwealth Transport Distributive & Allied Workers Union
- Commonwealth Transport Union
- Eastside Stevedores Union
- Optometric Association of The Bahamas
- Public Service Drivers Union
- The Bahamas Containers Port & Allied Workers Union
- United Brotherhood Long shore Union

Mr. John Pinder
Registrar of Trade Unions

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HOUSING
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

INVITATION FOR TENDER

Residential Waste Collection New Providence

The Government of The Bahamas is inviting Tenders for the weekly collection of residential waste in New Providence.

Interested parties may obtain further information, including eligibility to participate and may collect the bidding document(s) upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per document, as of July 2, 2018 from:

The Department of Environmental Health Services
Farrington Road
Nassau Bahamas
Tel: (242)-302-5150, 322-8037

Between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The method of payment will be certified cheque or cash. Tenders are to be submitted in triplicate (3) in a sealed envelope(s) and addressed to:

The Tenders Board
c/o The Financial Secretary
Ministry of Finance
Cecil V. Wallace Whitfield Centre
P.O. Box N-3017
Nassau, The Bahamas

No later than 4:30 p.m. on the 13th August, 2018

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Interested persons and organizations are invited to the public meeting to discuss the proposed development.

Signed
Charles B. Zonicle
Acting Director of Physical Planning



MINISTRY OF LABOUR
THE PRICE CONTROL ACT, 1971
CHAPTER 339
THE PRICE CONTROL (GASOLINE & DIESEL OIL)
(AMENDMENT) () REGULATIONS, 2011

The public is advised that prices as shown in the Schedule for **ULTRA LOW SULPHUR DIESEL OIL (ULSD)** sold by SOL Petroleum Bahamas Limited will become effective on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

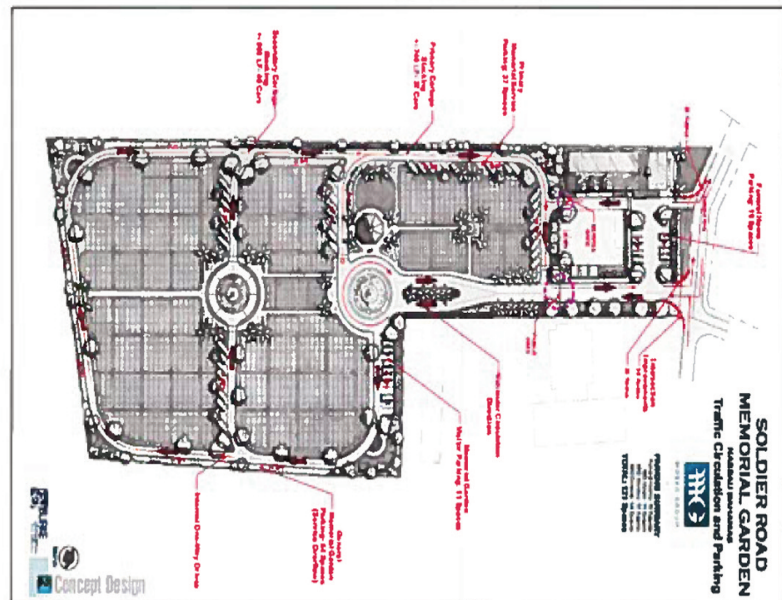
SCHEDULE

PLACE	ARTICLE	MAXIMUM WHOLESALE SELLING PRICE PER U.S. GALLON		MAXIMUM RETAIL SELLING PRICE PER U.S. GALLON (VAT Inclusive)
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INCLUDING SEA FREIGHT				
SOL Petroleum Bahamas Ltd.	ULSD	3.98	4.16	4.54
PART D ABACO, ANDROS ELEUTHERA				
NOT INCLUDING SEA FREIGHT				
SOL Petroleum Bahamas Ltd.	ULSD	4.12	4.30	4.68
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Minister of Education calls on teachers to make a positive difference

BY KATHRYN CAMPBELL

The Government of The Bahamas has invested in 54 teacher education grant recipients who have been awarded scholarships tenable at the University of The Bahamas. The group, comprising four young men and 50 young women from across the archipelago, received their certificates and special awards during the first Teacher Education Grant Award Ceremony, August 13, 2018 at National Training Agency.

In return for the government's investment in them, the Minister of Education, the Hon. Jeffrey Lloyd admonished the students to be "creatively disruptive" -- in a state of constant renewal -- and giving back to their society.

"You are called to produce and be better than the generation before you. Give back to your society, your family, your country. You are gifted, talented, amazingly wonderful. You have no excuse. You are not paying for your education. All you have to do is go to school, study and get the best possible grades. Get it done," he said.

"We've got issues with immigration, parking downtown, broken down buildings, fix it; an educational system that is on the move but it could



► The Hon. Jeffrey Lloyd, Minister of Education, is pictured centre with the Teacher Education Grant Award recipients at the award ceremony, August 13, 2018 at National Training Agency. Also shown at centre right is University of The Bahamas President, Dr. Rodney Smith; Lorraine Armbrister, permanent secretary, third right; and Marcellus Taylor, director of Education, fourth left -- with other Ministry of Education officials.

be far better, fix it by being creatively disruptive."

The ceremony was attended by officials including Senator Jennifer Isaacs Dotson; Dr. Rodney Smith, president, University of The Bahamas (UB); Lorraine Armbrister, Ministry of Education permanent secretary and Marcellus Taylor, director of Education. Officers of the Ministry of

Education Scholarship Unit, family and well-wishers were also present.

Minister Lloyd informed the students that they were among the recipients of highest scholarship tuition assistance. "Your full tuition is being paid 100 percent and you will receive a stipend. The country is investing approximately \$10,000 a year. Each year we

are spending approximately half a million dollars for your education. No other grouping receives that amount."

He told the recipients that the teaching profession is undergoing a "revolution" in The Bahamas.

"This year we are going to increase by 1,000 the number of three-year-olds that will enter our educational system.

That 1,000 will be repeated every year for the next five years.

Beginning this September, we are going to roll out a 100 percent digitized educational system. Every school will be a smart school (172 of them). Every education building (60 of them) will be a smart school and a smart building. All our pre-schools and primary school students, some

30,000 of them are going to have a tablet in their hand. Their teachers and teachers' aides will have a lap top. By June next year this educational system will be brand, spanking new because of technology.

"That means that you are going to have to be different. No more chalk and talk. Those days are over. Your classroom is going to be a laboratory of knowledge and information, and you are going to be a co-producer of that knowledge and information along with your students. Your students may not be sitting before you. There will be distance education, there will be virtual classrooms. Very soon virtual schools will be coming," said Minister Lloyd.

Minister Lloyd expressed his appreciation to UB President, Dr. Rodney Smith and his team, who he described as a "critical" part of the exercise of teacher preparation and continuing development.

He also thanked Mr. Smith for his contribution to the Department of Education and for the leadership he has displayed since his return to the institution.

Further, he acknowledged parents of the grant award recipients and appealed to them to continue to support, encourage and exercise patience with their children.

Minister Encourages Reporting On Denial of School Admissions

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know the full and complete name of the child, the child's date of birth, the school where that permission was denied, and who at the school may

have denied such a permission."

"Bring it to our attention. But for you to continue to say in the media, 'Oh children are being denied access to the Bahamian educational system and you are not giving me evi-

dence that this is so, I think that is unfair; and if your intension is mischief, then I repudiate that to the pits of hell.", he said.

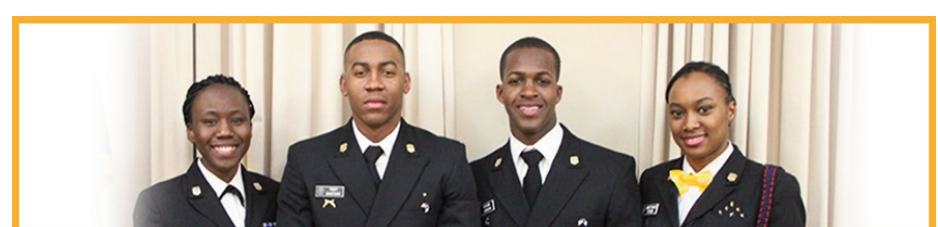
He also promised that authorities will address those cases reported.

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Further information and application forms can be obtained from:

Mrs. Katie Clarke

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Website: www.bahamasmaritime.com

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Tel: +1-(242)-356-5772

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