PM Minnis has Bilateral Talks with Prime Minister of Norway

Moving forward, Prime Minister Dr. Hubert Minnis said the government will focus on ensuring that smaller companies have access to contracts that were previously monopolized by larger companies. Dr. Minnis made this comment following his return from the Caribbean Community’s 40th annual Heads of Government Meeting in St. Lucia. “The only way smaller companies can grow is if they are given the opportunity to bid for larger contracts,” Dr. Minnis said. “This is necessary if our people are to advance from poverty, to middle class, to wealth.”

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The Air Accident Investigation Department confirmed yesterday that the flight and data records, black box, for the helicopter which crashed last week off Grand Cay, Abaco have been recovered. According to AAD, the flight and data records will be shipped to the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington D.C. for analysis. The aircraft, which crashed with seven people onboard, was an Agusta SPA helicopter, registration N32CC.

‘Remove Politics from Independence’

With the country’s 46th Independence anniversary on the horizon, former Progressive Liberal Party cabinet minister V. Alfred Gray wants to bring an end to the politicization of Independence Day in The Bahamas, as he said it does more harm than good. “Unless the leadership of the FNM and the PLP come together and bring this country under the

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Bahamians Celebrate National Pride Day

Braving scorching temperatures, scores of Bahamians – young and the not-so-young – came together in Rawson and Parliament Squares on Friday to celebrate National Pride Day, the kick off to the country’s 46th Independence anniversary celebrations. The ceremony was marked by the sensational performances of the

$32,000 Outstanding at D.C. Consulate Office

An audited report of The Bahamas Consulate Office in Washington D.C. indicated that over the two year period of July 1, 2016 to June 2018 more than $32,600 remains outstanding. Four cheques totaled this amount – three of which did not have a cheque number available. The description indicated that the cheques were used for “unforeseen expenses regarding transportation to bust unveiling, hotel accommodation on behalf of the Office of

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Two Men Shot in GB

Two men were shot on Sunday in Grand Bahama. According to police, shortly before 4 a.m., police were called to a business establishment on East Sunnyside Highway where it was reported that a lone gunman opened fire hitting two males. One of the males sustained injuries to the upper body and the other to the lower body.

They were both transported to the Rand Memorial Hospital for Emergency Medical Services. Both victims are listed in serious condition.

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8 p.m., Anti-Gang and Firearms officers, acting on information, conducted a search of an abandoned building on West Street and Rupert Dean Lane and recovered an AK-47 rifle which contained seven rounds of ammunition.

No arrests were made in this incident.

Investigations are ongoing.

Officers are also investigating two armed robberies that occurred recently.

Both of the shootings happened in the vicinity of East Sunnyside Highway on Saturday.

Police said shortly after 11 p.m., a man was standing outside a business establishment on East Sunnyside Avenue, when they were approached by two armed men, who robbed him of cash and other items, before getting into his white 2010 Chevy Silverado truck, license plate number AP3449, and speeding away.

Investigations into these matters are ongoing.

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) is helping to fund a digitization project that aims to centralize data collected over the last 50 years from the rich and diverse ecosystem that surrounds the Gerace Research Institute (GRI) in San Salvador. GRI is part of the University of The Bahamas (UB) system.

Over the last five decades, national and international researchers have uncovered treasured troves of information. However, accessing the research has presented a challenge. Although some of this work has been published in either peer-reviewed journals or conference proceedings, much of it has yet to be properly disseminated.

As part of an ongoing IDB initiative, which commenced in 2016, Support to Climate-Resilient Development in San Salvador, the IDB is providing US$35,000 to sup- port the digitization project which will enable ongoing research.

In this, it will advance and promote current studies in climate change, overfishing, water resources, coral survivability, and other issues through an online platform.

IDB Partners with UB on Gerace Research Institute Digitization Project

The Gerace Research Institute (GRI) has been in operation as a scientific research station on San Salvador Island since 1971. The GRI has been in operation as a scientific research station on San Salvador Island since 1971. Thousands of professors, researchers, and students have conducted research there to examine the natio- nal and world-wide impact on the unique environment of the island of San Salvador. During that time, a wealth of infor- mation has been recorded in the fields of botan- ology, climatology, geology, marine biology, natural history, and other areas.

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Chancellor of the University of The West Indies (UWI), Robert Bermudez, visited The Bahamas from 14-16 July 2019. Mr. Bermudez is the 6th Chancellor of the University, and highest office-holder in The UWI. His seven-year term officially began on July 16, 2017. A national of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Bermudez has been an entrepreneur for over 40 years. He led the growth of his family-owned business to a regional business throughout the Caribbean and Latin America, and has enjoyed a distinguished career in business, serving as either Chairman or Board Director for several other corporate bodies in Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean.

The Bermudez Group, which is the new Chancellor led, was started by brothers Jose Rafael and Jose Angel, who voyaged from Venezuela to Trinidad in the 1960’s and launched a company that began producing “salt biscuits.” Four generations later, the Bermudez Group is the 2nd largest biscuit company in the Americas. The Group is composed of six fully-fledged biscuit manufacturing companies and two distribution companies, including Bermuda Biscuit Co., Haiti Biscuit Co., The Jamaica Biscuit Co. and The West India Biscuit Co. and Alimenterie Bermudez.

Mr. Bermudez’s vision for the University outlines a keen sense of the mission, effectiveness, relevance and interdependent-
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The incident occurred during a flight over the Bahamas, which is a series of islands in the Atlantic Ocean. The crash site was located near Grand Cay Island, where the helicopter went down on July 4th, 1994. The victims were four individuals, including a pilot, a co-pilot, and two passengers. The pilot and co-pilot were both experienced pilots, while the passengers were two business partners from Miami. The helicopter had been rented for a business trip, but the flight was diverted due to adverse weather conditions.

The Bahamas Royal Police Force and the United States Coast Guard were dispatched to the scene of the crash. They found the wreckage of the helicopter and recovered the black box, which contains data from the flight's final moments. The black box was transported to Miami, where it was analyzed by aviation experts.

The investigation revealed that the helicopter was experiencing mechanical difficulties, which led to its crash. The cause of the crash was determined to be a combination of mechanical failure and pilot error. The pilot was}.{ The victims were identified through DNA analysis of their remains, which were recovered from the crash site and stored at a forensic laboratory.

Caribbean leaders heard from chairman of the CARICOM Commission on the Economy (CEC) Professor Arminn Persaud, who said that any CARICOM countries to develop more sustainable, regional, inclusive and equitable development. The prime minister also holds bilateral talks on climate change and early education with the Prime Minister of Norway Erling Solberg, who also addressed CARICOM leaders as a special guest of the meeting. The prime minister took part in a working dinner between heads of government and United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres, who addressed the opening ceremony on July 1, 2019, and Prime Minister Solberg.

The Prime Minister’s Delivery Unit of the Bahamas and St. Lucia also took part in a learning exchange. Prime Minister Minnis led a delegation to the conference which included Minister of Foreign Affairs Darren Henfield, Minister of Tourism Dominic D’Aguiar, The Bahamas Ambassador to CARICOM Reubenrahming, Water and Sovereign Corporation Executive Chairman Adrian Gibson, Senior Policy Advisor Joshua Sears, COO of the Prime Minister’s Delivery Unit Viana Gardiner and Ministry of Tourism Director General Joy Jhiruka.

Remove Politics from Independence

The umbrella of The Bahamas, my grandchildren will probably never know The Bahamas that I knew in the early 70s and 80s,” Mr. Gray said. “These men and women had a knack for bringing people together. Now, I believe that the UBP factions of our country still do not celebrate independence. When you go to Cable Beach, you have 15 percent of the UBP attending. They don’t come. They must be still hurt that we got independence through Sir Lynden, but this is our country. It’s about time they get out of that and be a part of the celebrations.”

Mr. Gray was a guest on Love 97’s Jones and Co. radio talk show, asked them if independence is a matter of race. He also insisted that someone has to be held enough to say that from the halls of parliament. “Even the police force doesn’t have a good mix of white and black people. The black people are only working, it seems, to protect the white. They don’t want to join the force,” Mr. Gray said. ""Look at the mix. You can find one in every thousand. Something is wrong with that!"" Are they too good to be police officers and prison officers and immigration officers? They refuse to mix and mingle at that level."" Despite criticism from frontline politicians, Mr. Gray said that in time he wishes he was still in parliament.

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