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Four officers arraigned for Derrick Uh's death

"We serve a God of power, and even if that van was dark, I believe that was the moment the light of our prayers reached inside that van and my God gave him the encounter that I asked, to give my little brother the experience to get to know him, and I know he repented because, we asked God for mercy," Vanessa Uh, Derrick Uh's older sister, said.

by Marco Lopez

CRISTO REY VILLAGE, Corozal District, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022

The family of 20-year-old Derrick Uh held funeral services for the young man (who died of heatstroke/suffocation in a locked prison van over the weekend after being forgotten by the officers who detained him) yesterday, Wednesday, August 17, in Cristo Rey Village, Corozal, in a morning interment. The service was attended by a large number of observers and sympathetic members of the public who filled the church to capacity and also gathered



Pall bearers taking Derrick Uh's coffin into church

Grandmother dies in house fire

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Tropical Wave causes flooding across Belize



Flooded Guinea Grass road

Toledo teen fatally stabbed in Belmopan

Leroy Cus, 18, was stabbed to death in Belmopan while going home after work. He was found holding his two debit cards.



Leroy Cus, deceased

Marlene Wellington, deceased

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022 A beloved mother and grandmother died last night in a house fire in San Ignacio Town, Cayo. Marlene Wellington was at her home in the western part of the town when her house, which she shares with her grandson as well as her daughter and her daughter's children, caught fire. Her daughter was able to escape the blaze





by Charles Gladden

COROZAL, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022 A 66-year-old US retiree originally from Alabama — Rodney Wayne Rushing — was executed near his home on Consejo Road in Corozal Town on Wednesday night, August 17.

Initial reports have indicated that

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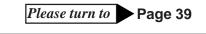


by Charles Gladden

CITY of BELMOPAN, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022

Leroy Cus, an 18-year-old young man who was born in San Pedro Columbia in Toledo, was ambushed and killed in Belmopan sometime around 7:00 p.m. apparently during a robbery attempt. The body of the young man, who was on his way home from work when he was attacked, was found by his brothers near St. Anne's Anglican Primary School.

His family informed police that he had left home at around 6:00 a.m. that day en route to work at



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at the burial ground. Members of the media were also present—having been invited by the family to attend the burial late Tuesday night. Uh's family is coping with not just the grief that naturally accompanies the loss of a loved one, but also sheer horror at the manner in which their loved one died locked in a heated police van parked at the Corozal Police Station compound.

Uh had been detained and placed in the van by the officers while he was at the San Joaquin Fiesta that weekend purportedly because he was intoxicated (and according to some reports, had inappropriately touched a female). Somehow, however, that vehicle was subsequently transported to the Corozal Police Station and was parked, without Uh being taken out, and thirteen hours later, his body, bearing the evidence of an excruciating death, was found.

According to the results of a postmortem examination released on Tuesday evening, Uh's death was caused by a heatstroke due to "prolonged confinement in enclosed space." Medical experts believe that he died about 4 or 5 hours after the van was parked and its engine turned off. It is at that point that the enclosed space within which he was placed likely became an oven-like container, devoid of any breathable air.

The Commissioner of Police, Chester Williams, has described the conditions faced by the young man as torture. Derrick Uh was found naked with blisters over his body, reports say. His family has also noted extensive skin discoloration which resulted from the conditions in the van and rendered him almost unrecognizable. His sister, Vanessa Uh, even remarked later to local reporters, "He really suffered a lot, because the way he looks isn't not the way that we remember him; he was handsome and had a beautiful smile, and then now the way I look at him, even his color is not the right one."

It was a torturous death, and it was reported that six officers believed to be culpable for the breakdown in procedure that led to this tragedy have been suspended, pending an investigation, and four of them have been charged. One of the officers, PC Errol Peralta, who was the officer who drove the police vehicle in which Uh had been held, from the fair grounds to the Corozal police station, but failed to let Uh out the holding area of the van, ihas retained attorney Norman Rodriguez. The Police Department is still trying to determine what breakdown in communication or in procedure took place following the detainment of Uh, and the degree of responsibility that each of the six officers who were involved in the incident bears for what occurred. It is believed that Uh died in the early hours of Sunday morning, less than 5 hours after being initially placed in the holding area of the prison van. Commissioner Williams said that Uh was handed over to the diarist at the command center at the San Joaquin Festival, where he was detained and placed inside the prison van. At the command center there was also a sergeant who was supervising the

grounds. He, along with the diarist, was responsible to ensure that the driver of the vehicle, PC Peralta, had knowledge that the young man was in the vehicle.

According to Peralta's attorney, Norman Rodriguez, however, his client was simply asked to do a favor and take the van back to the police station, and he had no knowledge that there was a detainee in the back of the vehicle.

"He was supposed to be working in a different position than being a driver. He was asked to do a favor, he did it and he was not informed – those are my instructions. I am instructed that he was not informed, or was not given any further instructions than to take the vehicle and park it," Rodriguez said.

(Notably, the police had reportedly detained two persons at the grounds of the fair, but had let the other individual go, while Uh was to have been taken to the Corozal Police Station for confinement.)

Rodriguez further told reporters, "The reason why he approached me and consulted with me is because he was suspended from work—he is a police officer—they said pending investigation, but just before I left Corozal this afternoon, he informed me that was advised to be ready for tomorrow because they are going to charge him for manslaughter. Now that is unofficial until it is actually established."

Today, his client Errol Peralta, was charged along with Isaias Sanchez, Rosario Romero and Alrick Borland with the crime of manslaughter. They were all arraigned today in the Corozal Magistrate's Court..

One online news site is reporting, unofficially, that two of the four officers who have been charged hold the ranks of inspector and sergeant respectively, while the other two are constables. According to that unconfirmed report, the officers at the grounds of the fair were being briefed by Inspector Sanchez, who reportedly was responsible for briefing the officers at the end of the event of all that transpired - including detentions. Sergeant Romero was the diarist who reportedly recorded the detentions, and Constable Borland was his assistant, and is the officer who reportedly handed Peralta the keys to the police van and instructed him to take it back to the station. Both Borland and Romero seemingly failed to alert Peralta to the presence of Uh in the vehicle — at least this is what Peralta has claimed. Apparently, according to the online report, Romero had not seen the departure of the van, while Borland is claiming that Peralta was present when Inspector Sanchez debriefed the officers at the end of the event. During a media appearance on Tuesday morning, Police Commissioner Chester Williams had said, "I have been told that the driver may have had some knowledge, but he is trying to justify that he was not told, but if it is that we can ascertain that he did have knowledge, then he will have to face the music with the other two." Today, when Uh was laid to rest, his older sister, Vanessa Uh, spoke to members of the media on behalf of his family and explained that he had been going through an emotional downturn, which she suspected was depression, after a painful breakup, and had

resorted to excessive drinking as a means to cope. It became a habit, she said, for him to go out drinking on Friday, and return to the family home on Sunday to prepare for the next week of work.

She then emotionally remarked, "It was a cruel situation because my brother had dreams. Why did it take so long, and why didn't we go looking for him – people think that we didn't love him, but we loved him much."

She went on to explain to reporters that Uh had promised his mother that he would not attend the San Joaquin Fiesta, but nonetheless did so, and she recalled that in the morning on Sunday—the day they learned of his death—his mother seemed to be very emotional, playing gospel songs and singing to the point of shouting and crying. She said it was as if her mother sensed that something was wrong with Derrick.

She recounted, "My mom, Sunday morning, she put her Christian songs, and she was singing, and I went outside to use the bathroom, and I heard my mom singing, and I notice that she wanted to cry when she was singing, and then I wanted to ask her like, 'Ma, for whom you want to cry?' because I had the feeling that she wanted to cry for someone. But then I didn't ask her. Then at 11:00, she called my little sister, asking if my brother had come back home, and then my sister told her no, and then she was like 'I am afraid something happen to him. I have a feeling, because when I got the news that the guy got killed by a thunder, many things come through my head, and I'm wondering where is your brother'."

According to Vanessa, a police officer went to the home at about 6:30 on Sunday evening, and asked for an ID for Derrick, then he informed them that Derrick had died.

"I was hoping that if something, that maybe he got stabbed, maybe he was in critical condition, that I would see him for the last time, that I will be able to hold his hand and pray for him and tell him that I love him so much, but when we reach to the station it was only for us to recognize my brother body and then my mom and I wanted to see him and they did not allow us, only my dad. So I got close and I asked him what happen to my brother, and then he said he got suffocated in the van, and that the driver handed him the key and forgot that someone was inside and my brother got killed... and I tell the police, 'So you are telling me if someone locks you inside and leave you there you will die', and then he just bring down his head. And then I tell them, 'Just know that each one of you has a son or a daughter, or a brother or a family member, but you guys forget that. When you bring people you like to treat the people that you bring like animals, forgetting that you have family, forgetting that you have children, and everyone has a family member that gives trouble, but you still love that family member, even if he gives trouble," Vanessa Uh said.



Vanessa Uh, older sister of the victim

his past employers. And his family had hoped and prayed, even in the hours just before his body was identified on Sunday evening, that there would be a change in his life—that he would stop drinking, return to school, form a relationship with God and become a dedicated church member.

On Sundays, their prayers were usually for him to simply come back home after his weekend escapades. His sister said their mother had not wanted him to go to the San Joaquin Festival, and even bought new clothes for him to attend a church camp in a neighboring village.

"I played a joke to him and I tell him, 'let's go with me, and there you will find someone who loves you, and someone who won't drink with you, but will now pray with you. Because we were going to a Christian activity now you will find someone that does not cheers with you but pray for you', and he just looked at me and start laugh, and then my mom insisted that he go to the camp with me. My mom even got him new clothes and said 'I bought you this clothes because I want you to go. I have the feeling that you should not go to San Joaquin Fiesta." Vanessa Uh recalled.

In a Zoom press conference this week, Minister of Home Affairs, Hon. Kareem Musa, said that he was expecting criminal charges to be levied against the officers whose actions led to Uh's death.

"In terms of an update so far, what I can say is that 12 statements have been recorded, and from the initial statements that the police have gathered so far, the police have actually determined that six officers, not necessarily all of them, we can categorically state are guilty of any offense, but there are six officers that are being questioned at the moment, and certainly we can expect not just charges in the criminal tribunal at the police level, but also criminal charges in our court system. We have also extended the opportunity to the family of Derrick Uh for them to appoint a person of their choice to oversee the investigation as well," Musa said. The family was visited by the Commissioner of Police on Tuesday and were informed that they would be allowed to appoint someone on the investigative team that will be probing the incident. Reports are that they plan to appoint a family member who is an officer in the village. In regard to possible compensation for Uh's wrongful death, his family is not ready to have such a conversation publicly, but Minister Musa and Commissioner Williams have publicly stated that they do not intend to object to any demands for compensation made by the family.

Derrick Uh has been described as hard-working both by his family and

Tropical Wave causes flooding across Belize

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022

For the past two days, a tropical wave barreling through Central America has dumped an overwhelming amount of rain over the country-flooding large portions of Belize City and compromising the structural integrity of roads. The weather outlook is for less rain going into the next few days as the system makes its way from northern Guatemala into southeastern Mexico and eventually into the Bay of Campeche, where it is expected to slowly develop into a low-pressure

system. While it is expected that there will be significantly less rain as the system moves away from us, the system, which crossed over the country last night and early this morning, has left in its wake flooded streets and what appears to be a new record for rainfall in the month of August.

The Chief Meteorologist, Ronald Gordon, referred to the system as a strong tropical storm producing mesoscale conductive systemsbasically thunderstorms that continue to redevelop. I

"To put it in perspective, we recorded at the airport. and this is perhaps one of the most reliable stations that we have, we recorded about 185 mm of rainfall over the past 12 hours, and that is extremely high; the rainfall average for this station is around 190 mm for the month of August," Chief Meteorologist Ronald Gordon explained.

The Ladyville area saw 7 inches of rain between midnight and midday, as can be seen by the videos of the area posted on social media. Luckily, at this time the peak of activity is behind us, and better weather is expected within the coming days.

When asked about the widespread localized flooding and its connection to the high volumes of rainfall within just the last two days, Gordon said, "It's very interesting. I would say that we have been seeing these exceptionally high amounts of rainfall occurring in these very short periods of time, and of course that would lead to the type of flooding that you see. Typically you would expect the rainfall to be more uniformly distributed across the month, but we are seeing in these recent trends that we get these torrential downpours

American retiree executed ...

Alabama native, Rodney Wayne Rushing, a retiree, was killed after arriving at his home in Corozal Town on Consejo Road.

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at around 8:00 p.m., about nine gunshots could be heard in the area, and shortly after two unknown male persons were seen running from the scene. When neighbors went to examine the area, they saw a grey Hyundai Tucson SUV parked inside the yard with the driver's side door opened — indicating Rushing had just exited the vehicle, and approximately 10 feet away from the SUV, Rushing's lifeless body was found in a face-down position. There were visible gunshot wounds to his head, upper back, the

right side of his abdomen, his right leg and right thumb.

Rushing was transported to the Corozal Community Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

One of Rushing's neighbors mentioned that he had recently moved into the home (about two months ago) and was living at the home with two dogs. The neighbor further mentioned that Rushing didn't associate with anyone and rarely left his home, except for the occasions when he did personal errands within the town.

Police are investigating.

a Dear Sister, Mirna Dawson, nee Gonzales Sunrise: July 20, 1955 - Sunset: August 15, 2016



occurring over a very short period of time."

He explained that typically the country receives the most rainfall in July and October, and in August the most thunderstorms are recorded, along with a two-week dry spell.

"We haven't seen much of that this year in terms of the rainfall, but looking forward, the end of August again from the record is not typically a dry period. The maaga season, as I refer to it, is mostly at the beginning of the month, so if we use the past as any guidance, it would indicate to us that most likely we will be seeing more rainfall activity going forward," Gordon said.

So far this year, only three named storms have been recorded-in contrast to the intense hurricane activity seen in the past two Atlantic Hurricane Seasons, during which the list of named storms was exhausted.

Chief Meteorologist Gordon noted, "And actually we have not seen anything since around June, and that is not totally unusual, because even last year where we had so many storms, July actually saw none. However, we are approaching the end of August, or at least the last three weeks in August, and so far the tropics remain relatively quiet."

He said that this system that caused the heavy rains over Belize was being monitored for development but it did not advance to another stage of development before making landfall. He added, however, that there is a chance for it to develop as it moves toward northern Mexico.

He then went on to caution, "It only takes one storm, even if you are having an inactive season so to speak, and of course it does not take a tropical storm, hurricane, or even a tropical depression, to cause devastation as we just say – a strong tropical wave can produce torrential rainfall and has a significant impact on populations, and with that, I remind our residents to be prepared as we enter the peak of the hurricane season."



Roads give way following incessant rains; MIDH in overdrive



Road caves in on Philip Goldson Highway

BELIZE, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022 The rains pummeling the country as a result of a tropical wave that is moving across northern Guatemala have already inundated Belize City and have caused

Roman, groups of Infrastructure Ministry personnel are clearing clogged drains and creating pathways, along which the water can flow.

Currently, many streets of Belize City are covered with water that in some cases is more than a foot deep, and motorists in the Ladyville area are told to drive with care, as the road in that community is also flooded. The grounds of the bus terminal in Belize were also submerged in water this morning. Orange Walk motorists in some portions of the district are also asked to drive with caution. "Motorists are asked to drive with caution on the Guinea Grass Road, as there is at least 18 inches of water flowing across it in one section. Drivers of small vehicles should not attempt crossing until the water level falls," a social media post from the MIDH stated. The University of Belize canceled face-to-face classes in Belize City for the day due to the inclement weather, but students are asked to attend online classes as they normally would.

infrastructural compromise on the highways. Rains are expected to continue over the next 48 hours as the storm becomes more organized as it heads to the Bay of Campeche, where an area of low pressure could form.

The Ministry of infrastructural Development and Housing (MIDH) has reportedly been on the ground since 1:00 a.m. this morning to address roads that have been structurally compromised due to the heavy rains. This morning the Ministry shared images of a wide, deep hole that has formed at Biscayne on the Philip Goldson Highway. Teams were on the ground working on repairs for that section of road.

A section of the highway near the Isabella Road junction also gave way early this morning. Teams were mobilized to replace a culvert in that area. In Caledonia, Libertad, and near San

They say there is a reason, They say that time will heal, But neither time nor reason, Will change the way we feel, For no-one knows the heartache, That lies behind our smiles, No-one knows how many times, We have broken down and cried, We want to tell you something So there won't be any doubt, You're so wonderful to think of, But so hard to be without.

Sister, if you read our hearts then you would surely see with every day that passes by you mean even more to us.

Rest with our beloved angel Mom. Sadly, missed by Family.



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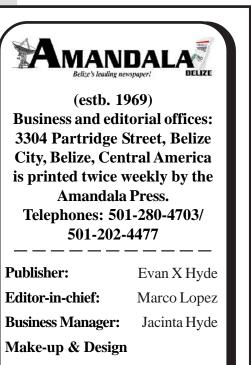
Three PM's weren't pleased with Ashcroft's "social" impact

Last week Mr. Vaughan Gill, the host of the People's United Party's *The Whip* morning show, charged that the Waterloo port project, which proposes to improve the Port of Belize to increase its efficiency in handling bulk goods and create a cruise terminal, is facing unjustified pressure from people in our country who simply have "feelings" against the man behind the project, Lord Ashcroft. These '*personal*' people who don't like Lord Ashcroft, they are not alone; three Prime Ministers in our country have expressed their displeasure with the gentleman.

Prime Minister Manuel Esquivel (UDP) privatized BTL during his first administration, 1984-1989, but he ensured that majority control of the company remained with the government and people of Belize. After a subsequent administration, PUP (1998-2003), allowed Ashcroft to gain control of BTL, and he and his group were ruthless and disrespectful in their administration of the company, a new UDP administration, 2008-2012, under Prime Minister Dean Barrow, felt it was obligated to take back the company, to end its rapacious practices and restore the dignity of Belizeans.

In her book, *Still Waters* — *Biography of Manuel Esquivel with Memoire of Kathy Esquivel*, Mrs. Esquivel said the former Prime Minister, speaking on the negotiations to get back BTL, thought "appealing to Ashcroft's better nature was…a non-starter", and after the takeover was completed it was found that the company was facing serious financial problems because it had largely been "hollowed out by Ashcroft during his ownership", and profits had been "diverted as extortionate 'management fees' to Ashcroft-related entities."

Dean Barrow thought Ashcroft was predatory. Michael White, in a 2009 story in *The Guardian* (UK) titled "Lord Ashcroft 'subjugated a



nation', claims Belize prime minister", reported that Barrow told British MP's: "Lord Michael Ashcroft is an extremely powerful man. His net worth may well be equal to Belize's entire GDP. He is nobody to cross. But this is our house, this is our country, here we are masters. And with the full weight of that sovereignty we must now put an end to this disrespect, to this chance-taking, to new age slavery."

What Esquivel and Barrow experienced with Lord Ashcroft pales when compared to what former Prime Minister Said Musa (PUP 1998-2008) had to endure when his government tried to rein in the Ashcroft Group after allowing them to take majority control of the company. Before any PUP swears for Ashcroft, they should remember that their association with him led to the humiliation of their former leader, Said Musa, and their party, and their being out of government for 13 years. On page 151 of his memoir, With Malice Toward None, Musa said his government challenged BTL's monopoly, and his government did so because BTL under Ashcroft did not bring down telephone rates, expand telecommunications access across the country, or provide free

internet to schools. In pursuit of those objectives, Musa's government encouraged the entry of another telecommunications company, INTELCO, gave it a license, but their hopes were dashed by Ashcroft's BTL. The Ashcroft Group blocked the rival company's access to the Arcos Submarine Cable, after reportedly getting the UK government to pressure our country under a 1982 investment treaty between our countries.

Subsequent to this disaster, the Musa government moved to take back BTL, and thus began the saga with a certain Jeffrey Prosser, who got control of BTL with a "promissory note", and for reasons not yet fully explained, reneged on completing the deal. Musa said, after the Prosser fiasco, that "we were placed in the invidious position of having to resell BTL to the Ashcroft Group"; that's because, when Ashcroft's Group agreed to sell its controlling shares in BTL, it was with the proviso that if the buyer that the government found didn't pay up, the Ashcroft Group, Carlisle Holdings Ltd., would get the "first option to repurchase."

When Prosser didn't make the payments, Ashcroft had us over a barrel, and he was merciless. Was he about punishing PUP leaders who didn't do his bidding when he forced our government into the outrageous Accommodation Agreement? Whatever, we the people are the ones who have paid, have been paying, through our noses. Anyone who cannot connect that Accommodation Agreement and other Ashcroft dealings to the 60% poverty in our country needs to go to math classes.

Some, who must be incredibly naïve, with little understanding of the power of money in a capitalist system, said when the Barrow government moved to take back BTL that the right thing for the government to do would be to let the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) regulate the company. In his memoir, Musa said BTL behaved "in a most arrogant and hostile way towards the government and the PUC", that "BTL was presuming to increase rates ("rebalance rates" they called it) even though this was not approved by the PUC."

The list of abuses by Ashcroft and his crowd is long, and they include ignoring the PUC; blocking interconnection to INTELCO; serious disrespect of our leaders; blocking Voice Over Internet Protocol; the Accommodation Agreement that gave the group a huge tax break; forcing out small shareholders of BTL; takeover of the Port of Belize and failing to invest in improving its inefficiency, a failure which led to bulk sugar being shipped across country by trucks to the Port of Big Creek - Toledo instead of by barge to the Port of Belize; efforts by the group's lawyers in court to block an ex-gratia payment the GOB had made to struggling employees at the port; the incredible price we had to pay to buy back BTL; the projects we were to get as part of the deal that never materialized.

For all that, Belizeans who have the microscope on the Ashcroft Group's request for clearance for an investment at the Port of Belize are accused of acting on "feelings" when they ask serious questions.

The project itself is fraught with challenges, both on the environmental and social fronts. A first EIA presented by the Waterloo Group was turned back, because it called for dumping 7.5 million cubic yards of dredged material into the sea between English Cay and the Turneffe Atoll. The group has now turned in a new EIA, this one calling for dumping the dredged material onshore, which could be disastrous for the Belize City sewer system. If the NEAC finds that the group has sufficiently addressed the environmental side of the project, questions still have to be answered about the benefits the people would derive from it. One of the concerns if Ashcroft gets the go-ahead is that people in the area will be forced out, similar to what the group did to small shareholders of BTL when it was in their control. If the concern of regular folk doesn't register in the minds of Ashcroft's apologists, it is on record that three Prime Ministers found the conduct of the Ashcroft Group shocking. Belizeans who are not in Ashcroft's gallery know we have been burned before, over and over by this same man. No Belizean should trivialize their efforts to protect our country.

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Municipalities receive funding for September Celebrations

by Charles Gladden

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022 The National Celebrations Commission (NCC) has distributed funds to the country's various municipalities to help finance their September Celebrations activities.

On Wednesday, mayors from the different municipalities met at the House of Culture in Belize City with National Celebrations Commission chair, Hon. Francis Fonseca, and were handed their annual allowances for the September Celebrations activities.

Hon. Fonseca spoke with the local media about some of the activities that will be taking place in the month of September, leading up to Independence Day on September 21.

"So I think we have some exciting events planned. Of course, we have the

usual traditional events on the September Celebrations calendar, the September 10th, and September 21st Independence Day activities. But this year, of course, [the] Carnival is back...That is scheduled, I believe, around September 3rd, here in Belize City... We also, of course, have events like the Tribute to Belizean Patriots, [and] the National Awards. But very importantly, some of the new, innovative activities that we launched last year were largely virtual. This year we are hoping to have a bigger audience for those activities," said Minister Fonseca.

He added, "As well, we're having our national prizes. We started last year with these specific awards for creative excellence and cultural excellence. For example, the Andy Palacio Prize for Music, the Lela Vernon Prize for



National Celebrations Commission Chair, Hon. Francis Fonseca hand over funds to the Mayor of Belmopan, Sheran "Sharon" Palacio



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Culture, and the Rosita Baltazar Prize for Dance, to name a few; there are seven of them. We're also having the concert series expanded. We started that last year in four municipalities, [so] we're trying to do that in four different municipalities this year, promoting our Belizean musicians and artists. As well as the mural project, which was a big hit last year, the mural project across the country, so this year again, we're continuing that."

A new event this year for the September Celebrations is a concert to honor Gerald "Lord" Rhaburn, one of Belize's pioneers in the production and performance of calypso, soca, reggae, and brukdown music in the 1970s and 1980s.

"One of the big events that we're having here in Belize City is Lord Rhaburn Legends Concert. We want to pay tribute to Lord Rhaburn and honor him, so we're working along with the Belize City Council as well as the BTB. They were very excited [about] being a part of that initiative. We not only going to have a concert, [but] we're also going to name a plaza by the Memorial Park in Belize City in honor of the great Gerald 'Lord' Rhaburn," Fonseca said.

Annually Belize City is the center of the September Celebrations activities. Mayor of Belize City, Bernard Wagner noted that Belizeans will be looking forward to the festivities after not being able to enjoy them in-person for two years. "This time of the year, people look forward [to] having interaction and face-to-face interaction. The last two years have been this type of activities that were happening in silos, everybody operating virtual, and so it was important that we bounce back this year and have that face-to-face interaction. I am certain the people of the city. people of the entire country will have a robust time," he said,

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Tres primeros ministros no estuvieron satisfechos con el impacto "social" de Ashcroft

La semana pasada, el Sr. Vaughan Gill, presentador del programa matutino *The Whip* del Partido Unido del Pueblo, denunció que el proyecto portuario de Waterloo, que propone mejorar Port of Belize para aumentar su eficiencia en el manejo de mercancías a granel y crear una terminal de cruceros, está enfrentando presiones injustificadas de personas en nuestro país que simplemente tienen "sentimientos" contra el hombre detrás del proyecto, Lord Ashcroft. Estas personas 'personales' a las que no les gusta Lord Ashcroft, no están solas; Tres primeros ministros de nuestro país han expresado su descontento con el caballero.

El primer ministro Manuel Esquivel (UDP) privatizó BTL durante su primera administración, 1984-1989, pero se aseguró de que el control mayoritario de la empresa permaneciera en manos del gobierno y el pueblo de Belize. Después de que una administración posterior, PUP (1998-2003), permitió que Ashcroft obtuviera el control de BTL, y él y su grupo fueron despiadados e irrespetuosos en la administración de la empresa, una nueva administración UDP, 2008-2012, bajo el primer ministro Dean Barrow, sintió que estaba obligada a recuperar la empresa, poner fin a sus prácticas rapaces y restaurar la dignidad de los beliceños.

En su libro, *Still Waters* — *Biography of Manuel Esquivel with Memoire of Kathy Esquivel*, la Sra. Esquivel dijo que el exprimer ministro, al hablar sobre las negociaciones para recuperar BTL, pensó que "apelar a la mejor naturaleza de Ashcroft era... imposible", y después de que se completó la adquisición, se descubrió que la compañía enfrentaba serios problemas financieros porque Ashcroft la había "vaciado en gran medida durante su propiedad", y ganancias habían sido "desviadas como 'honorarios de gestión' exorbitantes a entidades relacionadas con Ashcroft."

Dean Barrow pensó que Ashcroft era un depredador. Michael White, en una nota de 2009 en *The Guardian* (Reino Unido) titulada "Lord Ashcroft 'subyugó a una nación', afirma el primer ministro de Belize", informó que Barrow le dijo a los parlamentarios británicos: "Lord Michael Ashcroft es un hombre extremadamente poderoso. Su patrimonio neto bien puede ser igual al PIB total de Belize. Él no es nadie para cruzar. Pero esta es nuestra casa, este es nuestro país, aquí somos los amos. Y con todo el peso de esa soberanía, ahora debemos poner fin a esta falta de respeto, a esta toma de riesgos, a la esclavitud de la nueva era".

Lo que Esquivel y Barrow experimentaron con Lord Ashcroft palidece en comparación con lo que el ex primer ministro Said Musa (PUP 1998-2008) tuvo que soportar cuando su gobierno trató de frenar al Grupo Ashcroft después de permitirles tomar el control mayoritario de la empresa. Antes de que cualquier PUP jure por Ashcroft, deben recordar que su asociación con él condujo a la humillación de su exlíder, Said Musa, y su partido, y que estuvieran fuera del gobierno durante 13 años.

En la página 151 de sus memorias, *With Malice Toward None*, Musa dijo que su gobierno desafió el monopolio de BTL, y su gobierno lo hizo porque BTL bajo Ashcroft no redujo las tarifas telefónicas, no expandió el acceso a las telecomunicaciones en todo el país ni proporcionó Internet gratis a las escuelas. En pos de esos objetivos, el gobierno de Musa alentó la entrada de otra empresa de telecomunicaciones, INTELCO, le otorgó una licencia, pero sus esperanzas se vieron frustradas por BTL de Ashcroft. El Grupo Ashcroft bloqueó el acceso de la empresa rival al Cable Submarino Arcos, luego de que supuestamente lograra que el gobierno del Reino Unido presionara a nuestro país en virtud de un

tratado de inversión de 1982 entre nuestros países.

Después de este desastre, el gobierno de Musa se movió para recuperar BTL, y así comenzó la saga con un tal Jeffrey Prosser, quien obtuvo el control de BTL con un "pagaré" y, por razones que aún no se explican completamente, renegó de completar el trato. Musa dijo, después del fiasco de Prosser, que "nos colocaron en la envidiosa posición de tener que revender BTL al Grupo Ashcroft"; eso se debe a que, cuando el Grupo Ashcroft acordó vender sus acciones mayoritarias en BTL, fue con la condición de que si el comprador que encontró el gobierno no pagaba, Ashcroft Group, Carlisle Holdings Ltd., obtendría la "primera opción de recompra"."

Cuando Prosser no hizo los pagos, Ashcroft nos tenía en una posición difícil y fue despiadado. ¿Se trataba de castigar a los líderes del PUP que no cumplieron sus órdenes cuando obligó a nuestro gobierno a firmar el escandaloso Acuerdo de Solución? Lo que sea, nosotros, el pueblo, somos los que hemos pagado, hemos estado pagando, por nuestras narices. Cualquiera que no pueda relacionar ese Acuerdo de Solución y otros tratos de Ashcroft con el 60% de pobreza en nuestro país necesita ir a clases de matemáticas.

Algunos, que deben ser increíblemente ingenuos, con poca comprensión del poder del dinero en un sistema capitalista, dijeron que cuando el gobierno de Barrow se movió para recuperar BTL, lo correcto para el gobierno sería permitir que la Comisión de Servicios Públicos (PUC por sus siglas en inglés) regulara la empresa. En sus memorias, Musa dijo que BTL se comportó "de la manera más arrogante y hostil hacia el gobierno y la PUC", que "BTL pretendía aumentar las tarifas ("tasas de reequilibrio" le llamaban) a pesar de que esto no fue aprobado por la PUC."

La lista de abusos de Ashcroft y su gente es larga e incluye ignorar a la PUC; bloquear la interconexión a INTELCO; grave falta de respeto a nuestros líderes; bloqueo de Voz sobre Protocolo de Internet; el Acuerdo de Solución que le dio al grupo una gran exención de impuestos; expulsar a los pequeños accionistas de BTL; la toma de Port of Belize y la falta de inversión para mejorar su ineficiencia, una falla que llevó a que el azúcar a granel se enviara a través del país en camiones al Puerto de Big Creek - Toledo en lugar de en barcazas a Port of Belize; los esfuerzos de los abogados del grupo ante los tribunales para bloquear un pago ex gratia que el Gobierno de Belize había hecho a los empleados en apuros en el puerto; el increíble precio que tuvimos que pagar para recomprar BTL; los proyectos que íbamos a obtener como parte del trato que nunca se materializaron.

Por todo eso, los beliceños que tienen el microscopio sobre la solicitud de autorización del Grupo Ashcroft para una inversión en Port of Belize son acusados de actuar sobre "sentimientos" cuando hacen preguntas serias.

El proyecto en sí está lleno de desafíos, tanto en el frente ambiental como social. Una primera EIA presentada por Waterloo Group fue rechazada porque pedía verter 7,5 millones de yardas cúbicas de material dragado en el mar entre Cayo Inglés y el Atolón Turneffe. El grupo ahora ha entregado una nueva EIA, este llamando a descargar el material dragado en tierra, lo que podría ser desastroso para el sistema de alcantarillado de la Ciudad de Belize. Si el Comité Nacional de Evaluación Ambiental determina que el grupo ha abordado suficientemente el aspecto ambiental del proyecto, aún deben responderse preguntas sobre los beneficios que la gente obtendrá de ello. Una de las preocupaciones si Ashcroft obtiene el visto bueno es que las personas en el área se verán obligadas a irse, similar a lo que hizo el grupo con los pequeños accionistas de BTL cuando estaba bajo su control. Si la preocupación de la gente común no se registra en la mente de los apologistas de Ashcroft, está registrado que tres primeros ministros encontraron impactante la conducta del Grupo Ashcroft. Los beliceños que no están en la galería de Ashcroft saben que hemos sido quemados antes, una y otra vez por este mismo hombre. Ningún beliceño debe trivializar sus esfuerzos para proteger a nuestro país.

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In the United States, the highest ranking among the white power structure are referred to as "WASP's," which is to say, White Anglo-Saxon Protestants.

Joseph Kennedy, Sr., was an Irishman, and therefore included amongst Italians and Jews as a person of an inferior rank. The large migration of Irish, Italians, and European Jews to the U.S. took place in the latter part of the nineteenth century and the early part of the twentieth century.

Joe Kennedy, Sr. made much of his fortune bootlegging illegal alcohol into America during the Prohibition era (1919-33). Even though he became respectable and was appointed U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain before World War II began in 1939, this was a man who had had business contact with American mobsters, who were mostly Italian, while doing his bootlegging.

But Joe Kennedy, Sr., had the dream of having one of his sons become President of the United States. His first choice was Joe, Jr., but Joe, Jr., was killed in action during the war, which some black skeptics have described as a "European tribal war," instead of with the grandiose title of "World War II."

So then, Joe, Sr., focused on his second son, John Fitzgerald, whom he guided and financed successfully enough for JFK to become the Senator from the state of Massachusetts.

John Kennedy became the first Roman Catholic to become President of the United States when he narrowly defeated Richard Nixon, the Republican Party candidate, in the 1960 presidential election.

John Kennedy was touted as a war hero by his father's public relations machine. He had been captain of a socalled PT boat and suffered a serious back injury in action. In addition, he suffered from Addison's disease and other ailments, but his health issues were successfully covered up, and he was seen by the American voting public as a rich, dashing, handsome, virile man, married to a beautiful lady whose maiden name was Jacqueline Bouvier.

John Kennedy was a philanderer, and at one point, whether he knew it or not, he was sharing mistresses with a Chicago Mafia chieftain by the name of Sam Giancana. JFK also had an affair with America's most famous actress/sex symbol at the time, Marilyn Monroe.

When he became president, John Kennedy named his younger brother, Bobby Kennedy, as Attorney General. Bobby Kennedy had a personal feud with the most powerful union boss in America, Jimmy Hoffa, who was using union funds to do different kinds of business with the Mafia. However it came about, Bobby Kennedy began to target Mafia bosses all over the U.S., even though it was felt that they had supported JFK in the 1960 election.

In my Tuesday column earlier this week, I told you I had forgotten the third matter which Don Hector Silva had mentioned as an example of Premier George Price's tight ship during the 1960s. Well, now I remember the third matter, and it had to do with Carlos Marcello, the Mafia boss in New Orleans. Bobby Kennedy had Marcello deported to Sicily. I don't know if Marcello actually returned to Sicily, but my stats are that he entered British Honduras from Guatemala and offered the Price government a large sum of money to issue him a British Honduras passport or papers of some sort. Don Hector was a Cabinet Minister in the Price government at the time, so he will have the details.

When John Kennedy was sensationally assassinated in Dallas, Texas, in November of 1963, nothing like that had happened in America since President Abraham Lincoln was shot dead by John Wilkes Booth at the end of the American Civil War in 1865.

Texas' Lyndon Baines Johnson, then Vice-President, was quickly sworn in as President, and the American government set about trying to convince the American public that Kennedy had been killed by a lone, deranged, half-Communist gunman named Lee Harvey Oswald, instead of by a sophisticated conspiracy which featured the Mafia, Cuban exiles, and what we now call "the deep state."

An American by the name of Abraham Zapruder was privately shooting a film for home use when he caught many things on his camera which essentially exposed the Oswald lie. John Kennedy was killed by "triangulated" highpowered gunfire because he and his brother had made enemies of some very powerful people. Five years later, his younger brother, Bobby, campaigning for the Democratic Party nomination for the presidency, was assassinated in California.

When a black man, Barack Obama, was elected US president in 2008, it was a totally emotional moment for Afro-Americans and people of color all over the world. But very early in the Obama presidency, one or two people who could not be accounted for by the Secret Service, appeared at a banquet or some kind of high-level social event sponsored by Obama. A message was being sent to Barack by the deep state: you are vulnerable.

Anyway, I'm glad I remembered Don Hector's reference to Marcello, because students of the JFK assassination consider Marcello and the Florida Mafia boss, Santos Trafficante, to have been implicated in the JFK conspiracy.

Now Louisiana (New Orleans) and Florida are just about the closest parts of the United States to the controversial, high-profile island of Cuba, which Fidel Castro led to a successful revolution in 1959. Cuba, prior to Fidel, had been "owned" by the American Mafia. JFK himself had partied in Havana while a Senator. Fidel changed everything, and the American Mafia, the Cuban exiles, and some of the wealthiest people in America became very, very angry about Castro and his Revolution. That is why Castro felt he had to seek Russian nuclear weapons: he was desperate.

All the preceding has been by way of giving younger readers a sense of how explosive are the elements beneath the surface in America. This is a country which fought a bloody civil war between 1861 and 1865. The United States is seriously divided again today. Talk of insurrection is all around. Remember, the stars and stripes was created by a people who came from Europe and slaughtered Native Americans from the Atlantic to the Pacific. They appear to love violence. This is real.

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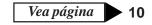
En los Estados Unidos, los de más alto rango entre la estructura de poder blanco son conocidos como "WASP" en inglés, es decir, protestantes anglosajones blancos.

Joseph Kennedy, Sr., era irlandés y, por lo tanto, era incluido entre los italianos y los judíos como una persona de rango inferior. La gran migración de judíos irlandeses, italianos y europeos a los Estados Unidos tuvo lugar a finales del siglo XIX y principios del siglo XX.

Joe Kennedy, Sr. hizo gran parte de su fortuna contrabandeando alcohol ilegal en Estados Unidos durante la era de la Prohibición (1919-33). Aunque se hizo respetable y fue nombrado embajador de EE. UU. en Gran Bretaña antes de que comenzara la Segunda Guerra Mundial en 1939, se trataba de un hombre que había tenido contacto comercial con mafiosos estadounidenses, en su mayoría italianos, mientras realizaba su contrabando.

Pero Joe Kennedy, Sr. tenía el sueño de que uno de sus hijos se convirtiera en presidente de los Estados Unidos. Su primera opción fue Joe, Jr., pero Joe, Jr. murió en acción durante la guerra, que algunos escépticos negros han descrito como una "guerra tribal europea", en lugar del grandioso título de "Segunda Guerra Mundial".

Entonces, Joe, Sr., se centró en su segundo hijo, John Fitzgerald, a quien guió y financió con suficiente éxito para que



John has big dreams! (Part10)

Together, Sarita and John continued going from isle to isle, putting in their carts what was needed while conversing.

Sarita - "Well, yesÿthat seems like a mess to me but I don't understand. Frankly, I don't know how this matter is going to be solved. Anyhow, John. It was brought to my attention that you have had meetings and you are trying to see how you can help people who are sick, who are alcoholics."

John - "Yesÿthat's something I started and honestly I don't know how it's going to end. There are many things that are needed such as services but there aren't. No, there are no services. I don't know how. I have a meeting with them on Sunday to see how I can help them but, I don't know, I really find it quite difficult. There is so much, on the other hand, I realize that there are so many crimes that are happening, and, I don't know how it is that these things happen. How can they do that? These people are sick, they are mentally ill to commit all those crimes. Just look at it. There are problems on top of problems."

Sarita - "Yes, well, the world also seems to be half crazy. Or who knows, who knows where they want to go. Who knows. No, I really don't understand how this whole thing is going to be arranged."

John - "Well, it's quite difficult. In time

we will find out. It will come to light. But, at the moment we have a big problem with alcoholism in Belize and it seems that nobody is worrying about it. And that, well, the accidents, the crimes that happen, it's not just like that. There's something that's causing people to behave, or certain people to behave that way."

Sarita - "Yes, well, what happens is that all countries have the same problem. Drugs and alcoholism."

John - "Well, not all countries. The countries that call themselves democratic, with freedoms. Those are the ones that have the problems. Other countries don't.

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JFK se convirtiera en el Senador del estado de Massachusetts.

John Kennedy se convirtió en el primer católico romano en convertirse en presidente de los Estados Unidos cuando derrotó por poco a Richard Nixon, el candidato del Partido Republicano, en las elecciones presidenciales de 1960.

John Kennedy fue promocionado como un héroe de guerra por la máquina de relaciones públicas de su padre. Había sido capitán de un barco llamado PT y sufrió una grave lesión en la espalda en acción. Además, padecía la enfermedad de Addison y otras dolencias, pero sus problemas de salud se encubrieron con éxito, y el público estadounidense lo veía como un hombre viril, guapo, rico, casado con una bella dama cuyo apellido de soltera era Jacqueline Bouvier.

John Kennedy era un mujeriego y, en un momento, lo supiera o no, compartió amantes con un jefe de la mafia de Chicago llamado Sam Giancana. JFK también tuvo una aventura con la actriz/ símbolo sexual más famosa de Estados Unidos en ese momento, Marilyn Monroe.

Cuando se convirtió en presidente, John Kennedy nombró a su hermano menor, Bobby Kennedy, como Fiscal General. Bobby Kennedy tuvo una disputa personal con el jefe sindical más poderoso de Estados Unidos, Jimmy Hoffa, quien estaba usando fondos sindicales para hacer diferentes tipos de negocios con la mafia. Sin embargo, Bobby Kennedy comenzó a tomar como blanco a los jefes de la mafia en todo Estados Unidos, a pesar de que se sentía que habían apoyado a JFK en las elecciones de 1960.

En mi columna del martes a principios de esta semana, les dije que había olvidado el tercer asunto que don Héctor Silva había mencionado como un ejemplo de la estrechez del mando del primer ministro George Price durante la década de 1960. Bueno, ahora recuerdo el tercer asunto, y tenía que ver con Carlos Marcello, el jefe de la mafia en Nueva Orleans. Bobby Kennedy hizo deportar a Marcello a Sicilia. No sé si Marcello finalmente regresó a Sicilia, pero mis informes indican que ingresó a Honduras Británica desde Guatemala y le ofreció al gobierno de Price una gran suma de dinero para que le emitiera un pasaporte de Honduras Británica o documentos de algún tipo. Don Héctor era ministro del Gabinete en el gobierno de Price en ese momento, por lo que tendrá los detalles.

Cuando John Kennedy fue sensacionalmente asesinado en Dallas, Texas, en noviembre de 1963, nada parecido había sucedido en Estados Unidos desde que el presidente Abraham Lincoln fue asesinado a tiros por John Wilkes Booth al final de la Guerra Civil Estadounidense en 1865.

Lyndon Baines Johnson, de Texas, entonces vicepresidente, fue juramentado rápidamente como presidente, y el gobierno estadounidense se dedicó a tratar de convencer al público estadounidense de que Kennedy había sido asesinado por un pistolero solitario,

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by Clinton Canul Luna

They don't have that problem, it's controlled. They do have alcohol, but it's controlled. And here, well, everything is free, it's 'land of the free', so you can do anything. And that's what the justice departments are for, to put people in their place, to try to see that they don't continue to commit so much disaster, so many crimes."

Sarita - "Well, yes, it is quite difficult. I hear that education is going to help people not only to have a critical mind, but also to reason."

John - "Well, it seems to me that education is years old and hasn't worked. I don't know. Not only academic education, but also the church. Here, it is a Christian country, so much so that on Holy Friday all businesses have to be closed, they have to forcefully close, because it's HOLY Friday and as soon as children are born they already know about Christianity. Still, well, no, no... Instead of resolving the situation, it's getting worse. Is the pandemic to blame?

Sarita - "Well, I don't know. This has been going on for several years, in different ways. We are no longer just one of the groups that are called gangs, but there are different things. I also heard that another person said that maybe television is indoctrinating their minds. They see so much violence through television shows."

John - "Well, I wouldn't know what to say to you, Sarita. Frankly, I wouldn't know, because I've also watched television, but I'm not getting involved in rape. Never! I'm not getting involved in hurting anyone. Have you hurt someone?"

Sarita - "No. I also watch a variety of fiction movies but no, I don't have a criminal mind."

John - "Well, I don't think that children are born with a criminal mind. Something must have triggered them while growing and they haven't realized it or they don't know. I also knew that people have come to investigate and analyze the reason for so much crime." Sarita - "Yes, you're right, but it seems that it can't be fixed. It's one thing on top of the other. We are living by the day, we don't know where this is going to sprout, we don't know where the other one is going to sprout, it's a mess. Frankly, it's a disaster and I don't understand." After they chatted, they could neither understand nor analyze nor find a foot or head in the matter. They were very happy to bump into one another and talk for a while. However, they had to say their goodbyes for they were already near the cash register to pay for the things they had chosen and then they left and each one went their own way.

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JC Arzu

by Colin Hyde

If there is a Belizean who says it matters naught to them that JC Arzu has retired from the airwaves, they have never, not a day in their lives, tuned in to Krem Radio. I think Krem Radio was born in 1989, and from the first day, JC has been its anchor. The stars at Krem Radio that have brightened our lives are many, but to me, none shone brighter than JC.

JC isn't a young man anymore, and if he doesn't have any special thing in his life that he just has to complete, he's at the age when a lot of us want our hammock, a little liquid refreshment, and a little time with our friends. I understand JC wants to spend some time with his mom, who is ailing, so he might just be taking a break. I pray your mom is mentally alert enough to fully enjoy having you around, JC, and that her aches and pains from long life are not many.

Over the last few days, I've heard Kremandala luminaries past and present, from far and near, and people I don't know, weigh in on life with JC, how they were influenced by him, and how much they treasured the JC experience. More from the outside than the inside, looking in, I say JC played the best music, from home and abroad. JC always remembered to give the full credits to the songsters, to the music writers, to the musicians, and to the music arrangers.

Professionally, JC is a technician, but his voice was created for radio. If Belize was anything like the USA, music promoters would have snatched him and put his voice to song.

JC is a highly informed brother, not only in his field. The intellectuals would call him a Renaissance Man. JC knows lots of things, he loved sharing his views, and I learned much from him. Thanks for everything, JC, and the best of sea breeze and fish while you're at your home on the pristine seashore, in Peini.

UDP needs 11th more than PUP does

Complaints went up from some quarters when the PUP introduced the 11th amendment in the House, because if it was passed, the area representative from Mesopotamia would have had to vacate his seat. Forget for the moment why the PUP felt the 11th was necessary, because today's primary focus is on the UDP.

Had the 11th sailed through, as my vote says it should have, the main opposition, UDP, wouldn't be having the problems it's having now. Get real, the present leader, who fails to meet the standard in preparation; who didn't pay his dues; and doesn't have the platform to lead on a number of issues, including the fight against violence and rude talk in our country; is the choice of leaders in the party who, instead of distinguishing themselves in the 13 years their party was in office, were a mada big letdown. Bah, the handpicked choice of the retired leadership is being propped up by the spent branch.

In agriculture, you put the pruning shears to washed-up branches and gormandizers. Who needs the 11th amendment? For the PUP, they have this great difficulty with a member on the opposing side who they believe noh belong. For the UDP, they are a political party that is fractured over an issue that is not ideological.

Words to guide, words not justified

The most talked about incident of a violent kind this year, one where no one died or was seriously wounded, took place at a movie ceremony in the US, where famous actor, Wil Smith, stepped on the stage and whacked famous comedian, Chris Rock, across the face with his palm after Rock made a "joke" about Smith's wife. The blowup was about hair, Smith's wife's lack of it. On the real, Smith most likely would have laughed his head off if Rock had criticized his wife's straightened hair or afro.

Smith apologized, and Mr. Rock said, "Anyone who says words hurt

has never been punched in the face." I think Rock had too much time to think over what had happened, to come back with such a biased response. Rock is in the business of making jokes, and the wider his license, the easier it is for him to make a living. I recommend Proverbs 15:4. That verse says a perverse tongue "breaks the spirit."

There are rules for everything, and when we cross them, our knuckles will get rapped. In sports we get a warning or an expulsion for rough tackling. In regular life, it's a fine or jail for misdemeanors or worse. There are penalties for artists when they cross the line too. It's tricky territory to mek "joke" about a permanent condition. On this one, I thought Rock was within the margins, but Smith didn't think so; because his wife could do nothing about her baldy, he got mad.

There's a huge difference between the permanent and things we can change. There is no way we can change the color of our skin. If someone doesn't like you because of your skin color, if it really matters to you, you can try and change them, but you can never change yourself. Wait, I've heard of soaps and bleaching agents black people can use to lighten their skins, if they are about pleasing people who hate their color, but they'd be disrespecting

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BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES

Pursuant to The Belize Bank Limited Undertaking (Belize Bank Corporation Limited Operations) Vesting Act, 2021 and The Belize Bank Limited Undertaking (Belize Bank Corporation Limited Operations) Vesting Act (Appointed Day) Order, 2021, THE BELIZE BANK LIMITED, a company duly formed and incorporated under the Laws of Belize with registered office situate at Second Floor, Matalon Business Center, Coney Drive, Belize City Belize (the "Bank") acquired the undertaking of Belize Bank Corporation Limited (formerly Scotiabank (Belize) Ltd.).

The Bank thus hereby gives notice of its intention to exercise its power of sale under a Deed of Mortgage between Scotia Bank (Belize) Ltdof the one part and Henry Woelk Klassen & Letecia Klassen (hereinafter called "the Mortgagors") of the second part which was filed at the Land Titles Unit in Belmopan City on the 8th Day of May 2018 Instrument: LTU-201800794. The Bank will at the expiration of two months from the date of the first publication of this notice sell the property of the Mortgagors described in the SCHEDULES hereto.

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THE SCHEDULE ABOVE



REFERRED TOAS

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Dated the 9th August 2022

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P<u>RESS PREDICTION</u>S The sports psychic speaks



"Press" Predictions: 81-35-47 Boledo stats thru 19th to 26thAug. 2022

In boledo news, 33 played some 6 times already. These are my lucky numbers for this week: 47-81-35-94-10-09. These are my lucky jackpot numbers: 7941-1226-9062. These are my lucky PICK-3 numbers: 140-265-378-909-623-894. 55 refuses to play since the 14th of October 2020, that's over 1 year 10 months and 4 days now. Then 26 also refuses to play since the 22nd of January 2021, that's over 1 year 6 months 3 week and 4 days now. 47 is out since the 22nd of April, that's over 1 year 3 months 3 weeks and 4 days now. 35 will complete 1 year this Saturday the 20th of August, that's the deputy Minister of Belize birthday, he will be 49 years young. Get ready Belize, some dinero will be coming our way. 22 played some 7 times already. 33 played some 6 times now, 68, 74 and 88 played some 5 times each already. Ending 9 ball numbers played some 23 times. The sixties series is the only completed series. These are the 16 numbers left for the year: 00-18-26-27-30-34-35-40-41-47-55-73-80-81-83-94. You all must form some jackpot numbers out of those numbers that are left. Good luck to all buyers and remember to read your Psalms: 91-72-63. Next week more lucky numbers.



Verdes FC will shock Alianza 2 to 1 in Belmopan Local Football Results and

Predictions In local football action, w e e k - 3 games results, Dalton Eiley's Altitude FC of Mango Creek is s t i l l



undefeated. They edged out the Belmopan Bandits 2 goals to 1 in Belmopan Saturday night. Then the Wagiya FC of Dangriga beat Progresso of Orange Walk 1 goal to nil in OW. Then the San Pedro Pirates lost to Port Loyola FC 2 goals to 1. Verdes FC the 2 times defending champions beat Police Benque United 1-nil in Cayo. They have won 48 of the last 50 games they played; they are unbeaten in 39 straight games going for 3 years now. This Wednesday night in Belmopan, Verdes FC will shock Alianza of El Salvador 2 goals to 1. Edwin Bernal Villada will score again. Mexican Ebarra will get the other goal. The game will have over 2,000 fans. The return match in Salvador will be on the 24th of August. Woodrow West will grab a very outstanding game again in Belmopan, Alianza are the champions of Salvador. They are trash talking right now about beating Verdes FC 4-nil. Next week the results.



LongIsland will beat C-Delta 6 games to 3

Belikin 8-Ball Billiards Results

In the Belikin 8-Ball Billiards in Belize, Long Island beat Lakers-I, 4 games to 1. Larry Lisbey beat Victor Robateau, aka VR, 3 games to 1. Then Naim Rosado beat Angel Blair 3 straight games, he is still the best player in billiards in



beat

for

Dennis

Delta beat

Manuel "Policeman" Ramos



Wayne Wilshire

Lakers-2, 4 games to 1. They won that series 6 games to 3. Titus Coc Garcia beat Policeman Martinez 3 games to 2. Juan Guzman and Julio are 2 of their best players. Marvin Cardona is the owner of the Team. In Orange Walk, the Gunners the Esia-I Team, Dados and the Chatazz will be in the 4 team playoffs. Wayne Wiltshire is their top player, Ernest Arzu is still undefeated. Ramon Moreno Witz aka the Tacos man, Leroy Jacobs aka Malic, they will win for the Gunners. Next week some stats on Cayo, Corozal, Mango Creek, Belmopan and Punta Gorda winners. Next week more stats.



The LA Dodgers are the hottest team right now

Baseball Results and Predictions In baseball action, the Los Angeles Dodgers were on an 11-game winning

streak. Justin Turner is back in the lineup for the Dodgers. Max Muncy their third baseman plays very g o o d defense. They have the best record right now at 82-

35. The New York Mets are rolling also in the East Division; they have some very good

Justin Turner



by Gilroy "Press" Cadogan

hitters. The Milwaukee Brewers lead the Central Division over the St. Louis Cardinals and Paul Goldschmidt. That race will be close down the



stretch. The champions, the Atlanta Braves, are some 8 games behind the Mets. In the American League, the New York Yankees, 74-42, have lost 10 of their 15 games. But Aaron Judge now has 49 homeruns, he will hit over 60 homeruns this season. There are about 45 more games left. The Houston Astros have a good record right now. They are 80-37; Justin Verlander is their ace pitcher with the best era in baseball, Dusty Baker is still their manager. Dave Roberts will be named the manager of the year for the LA Dodgers. They beat the Minnesota Twins; Mookie Betts is their top outfielder, Cody Bellinger and Trea Turner are 2 of their top players. There are some good pitchers in the American League right now. Next week more stats.

From the Publisher en Español

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trastornado y medio comunista llamado Lee Harvey Oswald, en lugar de una conspiración sofisticada que incluía a la mafia, exiliados cubanos y lo que ahora llamamos "el estado profundo".

Un estadounidense llamado Abraham Zapruder estaba filmando en privado una película para uso doméstico cuando captó muchas cosas en su cámara que esencialmente expusieron la mentira de Oswald. John Kennedy fue asesinado por

recordado la referencia de Don Héctor a Marcello, porque los estudiosos del asesinato de JFK consideran que Marcello y el jefe de la mafia de Florida, Santos Trafficante, fueron implicados en la conspiración de JFK.

Ahora Luisiana (Nueva Orleans) y Florida son casi las partes más cercanas de los Estados Unidos a la controvertida isla de alto perfil de Cuba, que Fidel Castro llevó a una revolución exitosa en 1959. Cuba, antes de Fidel, había sido "propiedad" de la mafia americana. El propio JFK había ido de fiesta a La Habana cuando era senador. Fidel cambió todo, y la mafia estadounidense, los exiliados cubanos y algunas de las personas más ricas de Estados Unidos se enojaron mucho con Castro y su revolución. Por eso Castro sintió que tenía que buscar armas nucleares rusas: estaba desesperado. Todo lo anterior ha sido para dar a los lectores más jóvenes una idea de cuán explosivos son los elementos debajo de la superficie en Estados Unidos. Este es un país que luchó en una sangrienta guerra civil entre 1861 y 1865. Estados Unidos nuevamente está seriamente dividido hoy. Se habla de insurrección por todas partes. Recuerden, las barras y estrellas fueron creadas por un pueblo que vino de Europa y masacró a los nativos americanos desde el Atlántico hasta el Pacífico. Parecen amar la violencia. Esto es real.



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Cuando un hombre negro, Barack Obama, fue elegido presidente de los Estados Unidos en 2008, fue un momento totalmente emotivo para los afroamericanos y las personas de color de todo el mundo. Pero muy temprano en la presidencia de Obama, una o dos personas por las que el Servicio Secreto no pudo dar cuenta, aparecieron en un banquete o algún tipo de evento social de alto nivel patrocinado por Obama. El estado profundo estaba enviando un mensaje a Barack: eres vulnerable.

De todos modos, me alegro de haber



Teacher advises Village Councils

Amandala Newspaper 3304 Partridge Street **Belize** City

August 16, 2022

Dear Sir:

The village council elections have come and gone. The time to work on the councils' manifesto is now.

As in every election, we vote for a team/party that we think could effectively manage the affairs of our communities. After all, Belize is a democratic country, so we have the freedom to choose.

Thus, the village council should not be vindictive toward those whom they perceive or think did not vote for them. This behavior is counter-productive. It will not only breed discontent and hostility, but will also create further division and unnecessary tension. Similarly, avoid the authoritative style of leadership, as this is a recipe for disaster. Again, remember this is a democratic Belize.

If village councils are genuine about the development of their residents and communities, they must make a concerted effort to forge a bond that will encourage an effective working relationship for those who voted for them and for those who voted against them. Focus should be on development, not vindictiveness and malice. Remember, it is our constitutional right to vote for who we want to lead our respective communities. That's true democracy.

Ateacher

MOHW increases surveillance for monkeypox

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022

For the past few weeks, many Belizeans have been noting the steady spread of the monkeypox virus within countries across the globe, and recently we learned that cases had been found in countries located just across our border-Mexico and Guatemala. Many Belizeans have thus been dreading what they see as the inevitable announcement at some point that monkeypox has reached our shores. And this week, after the emergence of reports that testing was being done on persons suspected of having monkeypox, that seemed to possibly be the case. In a release issued today, the Ministry of Health and Wellness informed the public that seven persons had been tested for monkeypox in Belize. Negative results have so far been received for at least three samples, but four others are "being closely monitored," says the Ministry of Health and Wellness-a statement that is enough to put many



Monkeypox symptoms

Belizeans on edge. Teams locally and regionally are doing the testing of the samples, and the results for the remaining four samples are expected to return shortly, the Ministry says.

The Director of Public Health and Wellness, Dr. Melissa Musa-Diaz, has addressed the growing fears among some Belizeans by stating, "We don't suspect it is already here. I think if the person is here, they would present to a health facility, especially because of the way that it presents, you may have fatigue, you may have joint pains and fever, and people would access care."

She further explained that the testing that's being done is primarily a precautionary measure that reflects the heightened surveillance efforts of the Ministry of Health and Wellness.

"... we have done preparatory work, we have done our sensitization and enhanced our surveillance at all our facilities. So what we are seeing now is that whenever somebody comes in, they may not fit the exact criteria or the epidemiological profile to be diagnosed as a suspected case of monkeypox, but in order for us to enhance this surveillance, we are testing more often. I think today we have tested three persons so far that have come back negative ... I think we have four or five other persons as well that we're currently testing. These persons do not, as I said, meet the exact criteria to say they are a suspect case, but because we have enhanced our surveillance and we want to ensure that we pick up even if persons don't immediately meet that criteria, we're picking up cases fast, isolating quickly, and managing as quickly as possible," she said.

As previously mentioned, monkeypox has been identified in both Guatemala and Mexico-as close as Quintana Roo state, an area frequented by Belizean shoppers. The symptoms of the virus are fever, tiredness, and lesions (a rash that is often pus-filled). Members of the community are advised to continue public health measures such as handwashing, social distancing, sanitizing, and wearing masks in crowded spaces to reduce the transmission of monkeypox and COVID-19. Following the World Health Organization's (WHO) declaration of monkeypox as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on July 23, Dr. Joy St. John, executive director at the Caribbean Public Health Agency, said, "We need to guard against having emerging communicable diseases, like monkeypox, established in the Caribbean. Monkeypox is not a disease like COVID-19. It is not airborne and demands close prolonged contact with an infected person. The way this particular monkeypox outbreak presents is different from what was reported in endemic countries. Caribbean people need to be vigilant and pay attention."



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Kennedy Carrillo, CEO of Ministry of Blue Economy

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022 The CEO of the Ministry of the Blue Economy, Kennedy Carrillo, when asked by reporters this week at a climate change meeting at the Radisson Fort George Hotel about the ministry's current stance in regard to the proposals for port construction that have been submitted to GoB, said that the members of the National Environment Appraisal Committee (NEAC), on which a Blue Economy Ministry rep sits, are ensuring that Fisheries and Coastal Zone interests are represented in that body. The NEAC is currently considering resubmitted а Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) from Waterloo Investment Holdings, which is seeking approval for the development of a cruise terminal and

Cruise port proposals a concern for Blue Economy Ministry

CEO of the Ministry of the Blue Economy, Kennedy Carrillo said that the Ministry responsible for ports (Ministry of Public Utilities and Logistics) is working on drafting a policy to govern decisions made about such facilities, but is facing expected challenges due to the controversial nature of the proposed developments that are currently on the table.

cargo bulking facility at the Port of Belize compound in Port Loyola. Just last year, the proposal was rejected by the NEAC—prompting the company's principals to allege that some NEAC members had solicited bribes from the company.

The company never provided evidence to substantiate these claims, as was requested by the Minister of Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management, Hon. Orlando Habet. The company, as mentioned, recently decided to initiate a new application process, through resubmission of its EIA for approval, and is scheduled to hold a public meeting on September 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Biltmore Plaza in Belize City, at which the public can submit feedback.

CEO Carrillo noted to reporters, however, that the Ministry of the Blue Economy is still in the process of reviewing the proposed development.

"The one that is happening right now [the resubmitted Waterloo EIA], the meeting have not been called as yet, and our Fisheries Department, Coastal Zone and our Blue Economy unit are all meeting to discuss, because we know that they have resubmitted. And so now, we are looking at the report," CEO Carrillo said.

While stating that the submission of proposals for the development of three cruise ports within a small geographical area in the Belize District is a concern for the Blue Economy, she noted that the Ministry accounts for only one vote on the NEAC.

"Our teams are meeting, and we are reviewing the new submission, but we are just one of the entities on the NEAC, and we are looking forward to see how this will go, but yes, as a ministry it is of concern to us," she said.

She went on to explain, "... we had to engage partners, and we had to answer some of the tough questions in terms of ports, in terms of reserves. We see what's happening with Angelfish. That is a reserve; that is a mangrove reserve. And we have people that want to do some development there. And these are challenges that, as a ministry, we have to always ensure that we have that balance.... So, we have the responsibility to move the economy of this country through the use of our marine space. But we also have to ensure that we are preserving and conserving our capital or blue capital, which is why we have these reserves in place. And, we have to voice when we feel that it is going against the principles of the ministry."

At this time, Stake Bank's Port Coral, which was approved a few years ago, is under construction, and Portico's Port of Magical Belize has received full approval and is no longer stayed by legal proceedings, while Waterloo has resubmitted its EIA after being denied approval in December 2021.

CEO Carrillo told reporters, "We know that the Ministry has been working, the Ministry of Ports have been working on a policy, but as you can imagine, it is such an important, sometimes controversial topic, that even in their consultations they have run into some challenges and so, I think, they are working on it. That's all I can tell you, they are working on it."





In addition the Programme Officer will be responsible for:

- Promotion of the National Policy of Older Persons
- Implementation of the National Council on Ageing's strategic plan.
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- Development of sustainable program that promote inclusion of older persons and protection of older person's rights.
- Maintenance of NCA Website and social media presence

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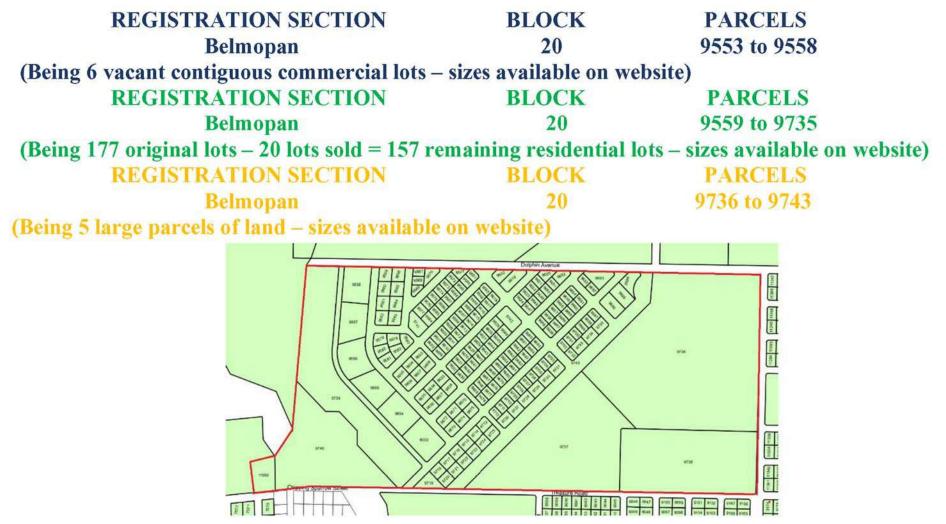
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Lodgement of an EIA Report and Public Consultation For "PORT OF BELIZE CRUISE TOURISM FACILITY AND CARGO EXPANSION"

Located on Caesar Ridge Road, Port Loyola area, Belize City, Belize

The General Public is hereby advised that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report for the expansion of the Port of Belize cargo facility and the establishment of a cruise port terminal and cruise tourism village has been submitted by Port of Belize Limited & Belize Logistics Terminal Limited to the Department of the Environment (DOE). The EIA report was prepared by Nextera Environmental and Engineering Consultants and Piedroba Consulting Group LLC. The EIA report will be reviewed by the National Environmental Appraisal Committee (NEAC) before a final decision is taken by the DOE.

The General Public is hereby informed that the EIA report is available for public review, free of charge, since August 8th, 2022, and can be examined Mondays to Fridays during normal working hours (8:00 am to 5:00 pm) at the Port Loyola Library, National Library Service, Leo Bradley Library, Turton Library Center all located within Belize City, and at the DOE's Office located on 7552 Hummingbird Highway, Belmopan. The public is invited to submit their comments in writing on or before September 2nd, 2022, to the DOE Office in Belmopan or email: <u>envirodept@environment.gov.bz</u>; <u>eiaunit@environment.gov.bz</u>. The EIA report and its annexes are also available on the DOE's website at link: <u>https://doe.gov.bz/environmental-clearance/</u>

Considering the realities related to COVID19 virus, and while hard copies of the EIA report are available at the above-mentioned locations, you are encouraged to utilize the above link to access the EIA report. Please practice social distancing when viewing hard copies of

the report and follow the recommendations of the Ministry of Health.

Kindly be informed that a hybrid public consultation session for the EIA will be held on **September 1st, 2022, commencing at 6:30pm sharp.** The in-person consultation will be held at the Best Western Biltmore Plaza Hotel and virtually via the Government of Belize Press Office Facebook Page.

The public is invited to participate in this consultation to make comments, ask questions, seek clarification, express concerns, or issues, or to make objections or representations to the DOE in relation to the possible effects of the proposed project activity on the environment.

NHI gets funds to fight against HIV



(1-r) Joan Burke-Skeen, Executive Director at BFLA signs disbursement funds; Deborah Ruiz, **CEO** of the Social Security Board

by Charles Gladden

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022 Belize's National Health Insurance (NHI) scheme, which is this year's

be received by NHI, and subsequently distributed, is approximately 3 million BZD. The five health organizations that will be receiving that funding are the Civil Society Organization HUB or C.S.O.

NHI is this year's recipient of a grant from the Global Fund Project, which will be distributed among 5 health organizations to support the fight against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and a number of sexually transmitted diseases/infections.

recipient of funding from the Global Fund Project, will be disbursing the money it receives to five local health organizations to finance their efforts during the 2022-2024 period to prevent or treat HIV/AIDS. tuberculosis, and various sexually transmitted diseases/ infections.

The total amount to

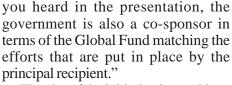
the Ministry of Health. The official signing of an agreement for the transfer of the first portion of the grant, which is to be distributed on

Hub for short, the National AIDS

Commission, Hand in Hand Ministries,

the Belize Family Life Association, and

a quarterly basis, took place on Wednesday. Deborah Ruiz, CEO of the Social Security Board, who was present at the signing, explained to local reporters, "The importance of this, as you know, is to promote the goals that we have made-the awareness of HIV, TB, and malaria and working with the partners on the ground. The subrecipient, the agreement that we signed today, will provide the funding they need to carry out that important work. It all builds back to the national plan that we have for the government. As



The aim of the initiative is to achieve what is referred to as "90-90-90" by 2025—which means having 90% of persons with HIV/AIDS knowing their status, 90% of those infected persons being on anti-retroviral medications, and 90% who are on anti-retroviral medications reaching a point where the virus is undetectable in them, thus reducing the chances of their spreading the virus. Belize is currently at 70-50-50 in regard to those goals.

Dr. Ramon Figueroa, General Manager of NHI (National Health Insurance), noted that the project will be targeting the most vulnerable communities and high-risk groups.

"Our priority groups are the vulnerable groups: men having sex with men, people living with HIV/AIDS, transgender groups, orphan kids who have been diagnosed with HIV, [and] mother-to-child transmission, so those are the high-risk groups we are targeting, but in reality, this is for the whole population. There are many people who are walking who are HIVpositive and they don't know. Our responsibility, our national responsibility, is to be able to screen as many people as possible and educate people on the importance of knowing their status and then seeking care. It's not like in the past. Now you have the medications to control and suppress the virus and allow you to live a normal life," he said.

He further noted, "... We have a multitude of barriers also that won't allow people to come and access healthcare. Stigma and discrimination, they're afraid to let people see them. I think we're too centralized of where to access the medication [and] access to testing, and so we want to decentralize that, make it available in other sites and other clinics, not in one particular clinic, but in other clinics where you have trained personnel to know what the protocols are, how to address, how to provide counseling, [and] how to provide nutrition. So it's a national response, and it's the responsibility of not one entity but multiple entities, public and private."



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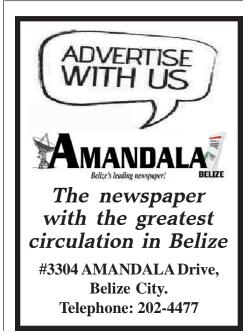
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"Football for Schools" in Belize

by Charles Gladden

BELIZE CITY, Tues. Aug. 16. 2022

The Football Federation of Belize (FFB), in partnership with UNESCO (The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) conducted training on Monday, August 15, in preparation for the launch of its program, "Football for Schools", at the primary school level-an

initiative which falls under the umbrella of FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association).

Prior to introducing the program in this region, FIFA, in 2019, had announced that the "Football for Schools" program would be tested in two other countries, and after a review of the success of the program, 211 other countries would also implement the program, with Belize being the 14th to do so.



Attendees at FIFA's "Football for Schools" event at the Belize Biltmore Plaza

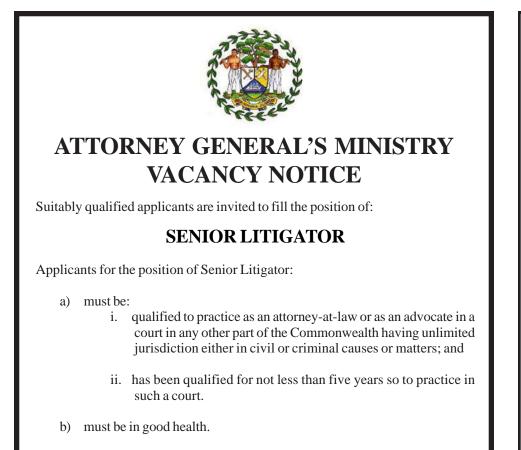
The aim of the program is to educate, develop, and empower boys and girls around the country, and it is expected that when the program is rolled out through the introduction of footballbased activities into 250 primary schools over the next four years, over 25,000 primary school students will have been beneficiaries, and more than 750 coaches will have participated.

"The 'Football for Schools' program is about making football more accessible to boys and girls across the world. By incorporating football activities in our curriculum we can promote specific life skills and competencies in our students which will help them to be better [and] more productive citizens of Belize," said Hon. Francis Fonseca, Minister of Education, during his remarks at the FFB event.

"... Through our education system, we want [to] produce students who have developed important skills and values such as tolerance, humility, patience, collaboration, cooperation, empathy, positivity, and charity. These are all skills and values [that] football promotes and develops in our young people," Hon. Fonseca added.

Minister of Sports, Hon. Rodwell Ferguson, who was also present at the event, commented, "We have been trying to excel in sports for many years. I believe in the

advent of FIFA coming into our country, we have seen a transformation, so I want to give them kudos, especially our local FFB for doing a wonderful and expanded job. They have expanded football to every region in our country [and] to every level in our society. I am committing myself to collaborate with the Ministry of Education, because both of us have to work together to make sure that we reach out to our young people."



must be a person who conducts himself at all times, both in his c) professional and in his personal life, in a manner that will maintain public confidence in the standards of the legal profession.

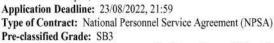
Experience and training required:

- a) Minimum of ten (10) years' experience as a practicing attorney-at-law in the area of civil litigation of complex legal matters specifically in public law (constitutional law and administrative law) and human rights law;
- Bachelor of Laws Degree from a recognized institution; and b)

VACANCY

E-Mobility Project Associate

Location: Belmopan, Belize



Expected Duration of Assignment: One Year with possibility of extension subject to performance evaluation

Background:

UNDP is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality, and culture. Individuals from minority groups, indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

UNDP does not tolerate sexual exploitation and abuse, any kind of harassment, including sexual harassment, and discrimination. All selected candidates will, therefore, undergo rigorous reference and background checks.

Project Description:

Belize's e-mobility pilot, administered by the UNDP Belize Country Office and funded by the European Union, supports the implementation of Belize's raised ambition Nationally Determined Contributions to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and associated Low Emission Development Strategy (LEDS). In line with UNDP's Global Programme to Support Countries with the Shift to Electric Mobility and applying UNDP's Derisking Renewable Energy Investment approach the project addresses policy barriers faced in transitioning towards a low carbon transport sector and the enabling of a policy framework supporting e-mobility expansion in country. The project, in partnership with private sector and local government institutions, finances the piloting of e-mobility as a means of satisfying growing public transport demands for modernization; and focuses on demonstrating conditions and early experience for e-mobility integration into the national system, informing sector growth and investment planning.

Summary of Key Functions:

- Support management of project in ATLAS/ QUANTUM
- Support in project implementation and financial management of the project. 2.
- Provide event and meeting organization support for assigned events 3.
- Take care of internal communication and updates of project-related information on project platforms and 4. social media.
- Administrative and operational support to project implementation, ensuring quality of 5. business processes

Required Qualifications:

Operations, documents and records management- Overall document (hard or electronic)

c) Legal Education Certificate or equivalent from a recognized institution.

Salary: BZD \$84k per annum with allowances.

Interested persons may download an application package from the Attorney General's Ministry Website – www.agm.gov.bz or submit in writing to:

> The Secretary, Judicial and Legal Services Commission Ground Floor, Sir. Edney Cain Building Thru' the Office of the Solicitor General **Attorney General's Ministry** Belmopan City, Cayo District Belize, Central America Telephone number: 822-2504 or 822-0519 email address:agsecretary@agm.gov.bz

Deadline for receipt of applications: September 4, 2022

Applicants must submit proof of qualifications and two reference contacts along with application.

Note: Only suitably qualified applicants will be acknowledged. Commission is not bound to make an appointment from among those persons who apply.

management; registry and retention policy including storing and archiving

High school Diploma Min. Education: Desirable: Bachelor's degree in public administration, business administration, finance management, economics or associated field

Experience: Six (6) years of relevant administrative or project experience.

Alternatively, if in possession of Bachelor's degree, three (3) years of relevant administrative or project experience is required.

- Demonstrated track record in the preparation of technical and financial reports, and accounts management of international projects is an asset for this position;
- Experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS Word, Excel, etc) and experience in handling of web-based management systems (i.e. ERP, Atlas).
- Familiarity and prior experience with UNDP procedures would be an asset

Languages: Fluency in English (Spanish would be an asset).

Applications: UNDP is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified individuals are encouraged to apply.

To apply please go to:

E-Mobility Project Associate NPSA 6 - UNDP Careers (oraclecloud.com)



BELIZE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND TENDER NOTICE

Country: Belize Project: CARICOM Development Fund Grant No: BZE/G00011 Project ID: CDF/00011/5 Contract Number: W/CDF-02/2022 National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Deadline: **September 5, 2022**

- 1. The Government of Belize has received funding through the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Eligible Sub-projects and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contract for **Design**, **Supply and Installation of a Reverse Osmosis Purification Water Supply System for Chunox Village, Corozal District, Belize.**
- 2. The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

The contract proposes to:

The contract proposes to design, supply and installation services for a reverse osmosis purification water supply system for the Chunox Village, Corozal District. The system is desired to be connected to the village water well, along with being able to produce an estimated output of a minimum of 50,000 gallons per day to provide water to 425 households. Shall also include the provision of all designs (civil, mechanical, electrical, etc.) and any other designs needed for the optimal and efficient functioning of the reverse osmosis purification water supply system; Reference shall be made to the proposed electrical design for the Chunox pump house.

- 3. **Final (Project Site) Destination as specified in BDS:** Belmopan, Cayo District, Belize.
- 4. Belize Social Investment Fund now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction works in the aforementioned areas.
- 5. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the CARICOM Development Fund's Guidelines for Procurement (May 2010), and are open to all countries of the world are eligible to tender for this contract.
- Qualification requirements include (a) The bidder shall furnish unaudited or audited 6. financial statements (balance sheets with corresponding notes, income statement, and statements of cash flow) of the firm for years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 to demonstrate the current soundness of the bidder's financial position (b) Bidders should have general experience under contracts in the role of contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 with activity of at least five (5) months in each year starting 1st January, 2019 (c) Bidders should have specific experience as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor, or subcontractor, between 1st January 2011 and the bid submission deadline and should have less than or equal to four (4) contracts, each of a minimum value of BZ\$125,000.00, but with a total value of all contracts equal or more than BZ\$500,000.00 (d) demonstrate cash flow requirement: capacity to have a cash flow amount of BZ\$42,000.00 of which not more than BZ\$21,000.00 can be credit for materials (e) an average annual turnover of BZ\$500,000.00 which shall be calculated as total certified payments received for contracts completed within the best two (2) years of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (e) other provided in the respective Bid Documents.
- 7. A secured "sample" electronic Bid document can be shared with interested Bidders at the address below, starting August 8th, 2022, on week days between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for viewing purpose only (has a time restriction for viewing). A complete set of Bidding documents (hard-copy or electronic version) can be purchased by interested bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of BZ\$150.00. Requests may be made by personal application or in writing to the address below. Written applications must be clearly marked: "Design, Supply, and Installation of a Reverse Osmosis Purification Water Supply System for Chunox Village, Corozal District, Belize". The method of payment will be by cash deposited to, ar Bork transforted BSW: Dearly Account on the partice details.



ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MINISTRY VACANCY NOTICE

Suitably qualified applicants are invited to fill the position of:

DEPUTY REGISTRAR

Applicants for the position of Deputy Registrar – Belize Intellectual Property Office (**BELIPO**) must be:

- a) an Attorney-at-Law qualified to practice law in Belize or the Commonwealth
- b) versed and trained in Intellectual Property laws.
- c) in good health.
- d) a person who conducts himself at all times, both in his professional and in his personal life, in a manner that will maintain public confidence.

Experience and training required:

- a) Minimum of five (5) years' experience inintellectual property;
- b) Bachelor of Laws Degree from a recognized institution; and
- c) Minimum of five (5) years' experience in management

. Salary: Based on qualifications and experience.

Interested persons may download an application package from the Attorney General's Ministry Website – www.agm.gov.bz or submit in writing to:

The Secretary, Judicial and Legal Services Commission Ground Floor, Sir. Edney Cain Building <u>Thru' the Office of the Solicitor General</u> Attorney General's Ministry Belmopan City, Cayo District Belize, Central America Telephone number: 822-2504 or 822-0519 email address:agsecretary@agm.gov.bz

Deadline for receipt of applications: September 30, 2022

Applicants must submit proof of qualifications and two reference contacts along with application.

Note: Only suitably qualified applicants will be acknowledged. Commission is not bound to make an appointment from among those persons who apply.



MINISTRY OF HEALTH& WELLNESS

VACANCY NOTICE

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons to fill the post of *Chief Drug Inspector*, *Ministry of Health & Wellness*.

Salary Pay Scale: 23 of \$36,554 × 1480 - \$64,674

or Bank transfer to BSIF's Bank Account only. Banking details can be requested at the address below. Cash payment will not be accepted at the BSIF Office.

- 8. **Deadline** for bids is **at or before 10:00 a.m., September 5th, 2022** at the address below. **Bids will be opened at 10:15 a.m., September 5th, 2022** at the Social Investment Fund, 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to participate. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids **will be** rejected. All bids must be accompanied by a "Bid Security" of BZ\$ 5,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or Bank Guarantee. The bid validity period is 90 days.
- 9. A Virtual Pre-bid meeting with interested eligible bidders will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 23rd, 2022. The link is https://bit.ly/31ACuQU. Bidders can participate in the meeting to address any queries about the bidding document or the scope of works. Persons who purchase packages are urged to attend.

10. The address referred to above is:

Contact: Ms. Ruby Pascascio Senior Procurement Officer Social Investment Fund 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive Belmopan Cayo District Tel: 822-0239/822-0508 E-mail: <u>ruby.pascascio@sifbelize.org</u> cc: <u>carlos.tun@sifbelize.org</u> therease army@sifbelize.org

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Qualification:

Recognized Master's Degree in Pharmacy or related field. Must be a registered Pharmacist with five (5) plus years' experience as a pharmacist.

Deadline:

August 19, 2022

Application with two (2) references and copies of qualifications to be submitted to:

Chief Executive Officer Ministry of Health& Wellness 3rd Floor, East Block Building Belmopan

(N.B. complete details on this position can be viewed at https://jobs.publicservice.gov.bz/)





BELIZE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND TENDER NOTICE

Country: Belize Project: CARICOM Development Fund Grant No: BZE/G00011 Project ID: CDF/00011/WS3 Contract Number: W/CDF-06/2022 National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Deadline: **September 19th**, **2022**

- 1. The Government of Belize has received funding through the CARICOM Development Fund (CDF) towards implementation of a project that focuses on improving water supply systems in four (4) communities and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contract for **Installation of Water Meters for the Georgeville Water Supply System, Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize.**
- 2. The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

The contract proposes to:

The contract proposes the upgrading of the rudimentary water supply system throughout the installation of 275 water measuring and control devices in Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize.

- 3. **Final (Project Site) Destination as specified in BDS:** Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize.
- 4. Belize Social Investment Fund now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction works in the aforementioned areas.
- 5. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the CARICOM Development Fund's Guidelines for Procurement (May 2010), and are open to all countries of the world are eligible to tender for this contract.
- Qualification requirements include (a) The bidder shall furnish unaudited or audited 6. financial statements (balance sheets with corresponding notes, income statement, and statements of cash flow) of the firm for years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 to demonstrate the current soundness of the bidder's financial position (b) Bidders should have general experience under contracts in the role of contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 with activity of at least five (5) months in each year starting 1st January, 2019 (c) Bidders should have specific experience as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor, or subcontractor, between 1st January 2011 and the bid submission deadline and should have less than or equal to three (3) contracts, each of a minimum value of BZ\$15,600.00, but with a total value of all contracts equal or more than BZ\$46,800.00 (d) demonstrate cash flow requirement: capacity to have a cash flow amount of BZ\$5,850.00 of which not more than BZ\$2,925.00 can be credit for materials (e) an average annual turnover of BZ\$140,400.00 which shall be calculated as total certified payments received for contracts completed within the best two (2) years of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (e) other provided in the respective Bid Documents.
- 7. A secured "sample" electronic Bid document can be shared with interested Bidders at the address below, starting August 22nd, 2022, on week days between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for viewing purpose only (has a time restriction for viewing). A complete set of Bidding documents (electronic version) can be purchased by interested bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of BZ\$150.00. Requests may be made by personal application or in writing to the address below. Written applications must be clearly marked: "Installation of Water Meters for the Georgeville Water Supply System, Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize". The method of payment will be by cash deposited to, or Bank transfer to BSIF's Bank Account only. Banking details can be requested at the address below. Cash payment will not be accepted at the BSIF Office.
- 8. Deadline for bids is at or before 10:00 a.m., September 19th, 2022 at the address



BELIZE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND TENDER NOTICE

Country: Belize Project: CARICOM Development Fund Grant No: BZE/G00011 Project ID: CDF/00011/WS3 Contract Number: W/CDF-05/2022 National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Deadline: **September 19th, 2022**

- 1. The Government of Belize has received funding through the CARICOM Development Fund (CDF) towards implementation of a project that focuses on improving water supply systems in four (4) communities and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contract for **Rehabilitation of the Water Tank for the Georgeville Water Supply System, Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize.**
- 2. The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

The contract proposes to:

The contract proposes the rehabilitation of the existing storage tank in Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize

- 3. **Final (Project Site) Destination as specified in BDS:** Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize.
- 4. Belize Social Investment Fund now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction works in the aforementioned areas.
- 5. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the CARICOM Development Fund's Guidelines for Procurement (May 2010), and are open to all countries of the world are eligible to tender for this contract.
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- 8. Deadline for bids is at or before 10:00 a.m., September 19th, 2022 at the address below. Bids will be opened at 10:15 a.m., September 19th, 2022 at the Social

below. **Bids will be opened at 10:30 a.m., September 19th, 2022** at the Social Investment Fund, 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to participate. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids **will be** rejected. All bids must be accompanied by a "Bid Security" of BZ\$500.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or Bank Guarantee. The bid validity period is 90 days.

9. A Pre-bid meeting with interested eligible bidders will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7th, 2022 at Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize. Bidders can participate in the meeting to address any queries about the bidding document or the scope of works. Persons who purchase packages are urged to attend.

10. The address referred to above is:

Contact: Ms. Ruby Pascascio Senior Procurement Officer Social Investment Fund 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive Belmopan Cayo District Tel: 822-0239/822-0508 E-mail: <u>ruby.pascascio@sifbelize.org</u> cc: <u>carlos.tun@sifbelize.org</u> <u>therese.arzu@sifbelize.org</u> Investment Fund, 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to participate. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids **will be** rejected. All bids must be accompanied by a "Bid Security" of BZ\$300.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or Bank Guarantee. The bid validity period is 90 days.

9. A Pre-bid meeting with interested eligible bidders will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7th, 2022 at Georgeville Village, Cayo District, Belize. Bidders can participate in the meeting to address any queries about the bidding document or the scope of works. Persons who purchase packages are urged to attend.

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BY ORDER of the Mortgagee, Messrs. Ascendancy Belize Limited, Licensed Auctioneer, Sylvano Guerrero, is selling by way of ONLINE AUCTION via www.madisons.bz the following properties with reserved prices. The online public auctions will expire bi-weekly on August 24, 2022, September 7, 2022, and September 22, 2022 until a sale is determined within this period. **TERMS:10% DEPOSIT. BALANCE IN 14 DAYS**

Lot 63, Pomona Village **Stann Creek**



All that piece or parcel of land being Parcel #63 Pomona Village, Stann Creek District; comprising of a total area 461.849 square meters together with all buildings and erections thereon being a concrete building approximately 20 feet by 40 feet and elevated 11 feet above the ground with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, kitchen, dining and living room, a front porch approximately 5 feet by 10 feet and a side porch approximately 7 feet by 15 feet.

The property is held as a Minister's Fiat Grant No. 178 of 2006 in the name of Roy Sylvester Tillett.

Block 7, Parcel 1988/1 San Pedro



All that piece or parcel of land being Parcel #1988/1, Block #7, Boca Del Rio Area, San Pedro Town. Building 1 is 2 storeys with 7 one bedroom units with an area of 1795sq.ft. Building 2 is a single-story building with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, living, dining and kitchen with an area of 520 sq. ft. Building 3 is an external lavatory with an area of 64sq.ft. The entire property has a total area of 416.67 sq. yds.

The property is held by a Leasehold title (Freehold Interest) in the name of Tomasito Paz.

Block 3, Parcel 604, Sarteneja Village, Corozal



All that piece or parcel of land being Block #3, Parcel 604, Sarteneja Village, Corozal District, Belize; comprising of 1,519.8 sq.m. together with a concrete bungalow on the lot having two bedrooms, one shared bathroom, living, kitchen, and dining rooms, and a large front porch. The building has an area of 1,475 sq. ft. and porch of 5 ft by 25 ft and a back section with dimensions of 12 ft by 22 ft.

The subject property is held as a Land Certificate Interest in the name of Carol Cobb.

Block 1, Parcel 224 San Pablo/San Jose, Orange Walk



All that piece or parcel of land being Block #1, Parcel #224, San Jose/San Pablo Registration Section, Orange Walk District; compromising a total area of 1635.8 sq.m. together with all buildings and erections thereon being a concrete bungalow residence with 4 bedrooms, a shared bathroom, kitchen, dining room, and living room with external dimensions of approximately 22 ft by 47 ft inclusive of an enclosed front porch of 9 ft by 10 ft and a back verandah of 7 ft by 12 ft.

The property is held as a Land Certificate Interest in the name of Alfredo Samuel Cabrera and Josue Cabrera.

Block 42, Parcel 420/1, **Punta Gorda**



All that piece or parcel of land being Block #42, Parcel #420/1, Punta Gorda Toledo District, Town, Belize; comprising of 450 sq. yds. together with all erections thereon being a single residence having storey three bedrooms, two bathrooms, living, dining, kitchen, utility room, and an enclosed garage. The building has an area of 1,588 sq. ft.

The subject property is held as a Leasehold Interest in the name of Maria Roches.

Block 42, Parcel 100, Hopeville, Punta Gorda

All that piece or parcel of land being Parcel #100, Block #42, Punta Gorda Town, Toledo District, Belize comprising of a bungalow residence with four bedrooms, one bathroom, living, dining, kitchen, and utility, with a large porch in front. The house has an area of 850 sq. ft. The porch is 224 sq. ft. This land has a total area of 657.25 sq.yds.

The property is held in the Freehold Interest in the name of Maria Roches.

Block 1, Parcel 134, San Pablo/San Jose, Orange Walk



All that piece or parcel of land being Block #1, Parcel #134 San Jose/San Pablo Registration Section, San Pablo Village, Orange Walk District; comprising of a total area of 4,195.7 square meters together with all buildings and erections thereon being a concrete bungalow residence with 2 bedrooms, a small living room area and a kitchen with dimensions of 18 ft by 24 ft and a front porch of 5 ft by 24 ft.

The property is held as a Land Certificate Interest in the name of Alfredo Samuel Cabrera and Josue Cabrera.



Block 4, Parcel 2155, Orange Walk Town All that piece or parcel of land being Block #4, Parcel #2155,

Orange Walk Town, Orange Walk; comprising of a total area of 522.22 sq.yds. together with all buildings and erections thereon being a single storey building with an open loft above, two bedrooms, one bathroom, living, dining, kitchen an open area and storeroom for a total of 902 sq. ft.



Block 4, Parcel 948, Orange Walk Town

All that piece or parcel of land being Block #4, Parcel #948, Orange Walk Town, Orange Walk; comprising a total area of 738.76 sq.yds. together with all buildings and erections thereon being 2 buildings, both having reinforced concrete foundation, ground floor, beams and columns with the first having a floor area of 800 sq. ft, and the second 450 sq. ft.

The subject property is held in the Freehold Interest in the name of Narciso Ramirez.



The subject property is held in the Freehold Interest in the name of Fernando Baeza.





Block 1, Parcel 57/1, Buena Vista Village

All that piece or parcel of land being Block #1, Parcel #57/1, Buena Vista Village, Corozal; comprising of a total area of 1280.44 sq. yds together with all buildings and erections thereon being a two-story building having a large open area, a bedroom, and a storeroom on the lower level, with an area of 1882 sq. ft.

The subject property is held as a Leasehold Certificate interest in the name of Florencia Pott.



Block 1, Parcel 157 & 158, Douglas North, Orange Walk

All that piece or parcel of land being Block #1, Parcel #157 and #158, Douglas North, Orange Walk Belize. They are bounded on the east by a gravel street and on the west by an open land, on the north by a proposed street, and on the south by an open land, for a total area of 2494.466 sq. yds.

The subject properties are held by a Freehold Interest in the name of Erica Cabral.



Block 45, Parcel 2349, Port Loyola, Belize City

All that piece or parcel of land being Block #45, Parcel #2349 situated on Faber's Road in the Port Loyola Area of Belize City, together with all erections thereon. It is located in one of the newest developing areas of Belize City and has a total area of 481.71 sq.yds (402.266 sq m). Access to the property is by way of a gravel road off the George Price Highway travelling South.

The subject property is held in the Freehold Interest in the name of Richard Menzies.



Block 42, Parcel 793, Punta Gorda

All that piece or parcel of land being Block #42, Parcel #793, Punta Gorda, Toledo; comprising a total area of 893.33 sq. yds together with all buildings and erections thereon being a 2 storey building, having on the ground floor 5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, living, dining and kitchen, and on the upper level, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, living, dining, kitchen and 2 large porches with an area of 3,728 sq. ft. and porch of 686 sq. ft.

The subject property is held in the Freehold Interest in the name of Aurelio Oliva.

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GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

STRENGTHENING OF TAX ADMINISTRATION

Terms of Reference <u>Project Coordinator</u>

DUTY STATION: Belize City, Belize PROJECT NUMBER: BL-L1031

I. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Government of Belize (GoB) has entered into a US\$ 14 Million Loan Contract Agreement (BL-L1031) with the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the execution of a five-year tax modernization project entitled "Strengthening of Tax Administration". The main beneficiaries of the Project are: (a) the Government, which will have more revenues to implement its public policies; (b) taxpayers, who will have more support and a digital environment to fulfil their tax obligations; and (c) the population, from the government policies implemented.
- 1.2 The main objective of the Project is to contribute to Strengthening Tax Administration aimed at increasing revenue collection, through the following specific objectives: (a) increasing the effectiveness of the Government to collect taxes and (b) increasing tax administration efficiency. These objectives will be achieved by improving tax administration governance and operational processes, and by modernizing the technological infrastructure.
- 1.3 The MoF is the Executing Agency responsible for the implementation of the Strengthening of Tax Administration Project and, for this purpose, has established a Project Executing Unit (PEU) with concrete technical, administrative, financial, control and planning, monitoring and evaluation responsibilities for the IDB-funded initiative.
- 1.4 In this regard, a vacancy exists for the **Project Coordinator** for the PEU under a contractual arrangement with the MoF, and as part of the BL-L1031 initiative.

II. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF WORK

- 2.1 The objective of the position is to provide the necessary strategic, governance, organizational and administrative leadership for Project implementation and, thereby, ensuring the effective allocation of resources, providing the financial and technical direction of the Project towards the attainment of the goals and targets, leading the physical and financial progress reporting, and serving as the main focal point of the Project with the BTS, the MoF and other public and private institutions.
- 2.2 The Project Coordinator is responsible for leading and guiding all matters pertaining to the effective, efficient and transparent implementation of the Project BL-L1031, through the technical, administrative and financial management of the PEU, in accordance with the procedures and stipulations contained in the Program Operational Manual (POM) and in compliance with the Loan Contract.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES/ACTIVITIES

- 3.1 The main responsibilities of the Project Coordinator include, among others:
- (a) Implementing the intra- and inter-institutional coordination mechanisms with the BTS, the MOF and other public and private organizations related to and/or beneficiaries of the Project
- (b) Promoting and disseminating the Project among beneficiaries, public entities, and other stakeholders.(c) In close coordination with the pertinent technical and administrative personnel of the BTS and the
- MoF, guiding the strategic and operations planning activities of the Project.(d) Monitoring the activities of the Project in compliance with its global strategic objectives and those of its individual technical components, as well as the targets established in the Project.
- (e) Implementing the Programs' risk management mechanisms on the basis of the IDB tool Risk Management in Projects with Sovereign Guarantee (RMP), taking into consideration the assessment and evolution of the risk factors, the factors of probability and impact, and risk mitigation measures.
- (f) Guiding the preparation, the periodic physical and financial progress reports to be submitted to BTS, MoF, MED, and the Bank.
- (g) Presenting to the Bank the required data, reports and other documentation of the Project as a whole and its individual components, as established in the Loan Contract.
- 3.2 Specific activities include:
- (a) Lead the overall planning and reporting framework and activities of the Project, including the preparation and update of key planning tools including the PEP, AOP, PP and other, in direct coordination with the Monitoring and Evaluation Officer and other members of the PEU.
- (b) Monitor and ensure the Project's adherence to reporting requirements to the BTS, MoF, PSC, and the Bank.
- (c) Lead and coordinate timely implementation of all aspects of the Project based on the Project planning documents including the PEP, AOP, PP, supporting technical documents, and Monitoring and Evaluation Plan.
- (d) Ensure timely execution of all administrative, procurement, financial and technical procedures of the Project in compliance with the POM. In addition, ensure the strict adherence to administrative, Project management, and Bank and national financial rules and regulations, among others.
- (e) Ensure the necessary coordination between technical staff of the MoF (BTS and other) to provide the technical specifications and content for the preparation of terms of reference and technical specification as the basis for procurement actions and activities.
- (f) Provide for the timely monitoring and management of Project risks and lead the implementation of the mitigation measures as necessary.
- (g) Ensure the necessary coordination and control of all Project procurement activities and logistics with the Procurement Specialist and pertinent staff members of the MoF.
- h) Support the information dissemination activities and advocate for the Project among key internal and

3.2 The Project Coordinator shall undertake his/her work in direct coordination and with the supervision of the MoF/BTS, and in accordance with the Loan Contract and the POM.

IV. DELIVERABLES

- 4.1 The Project Coordinator will be responsible for preparing/updating the following reports which are considered recurrent deliverables or responsibilities:
- (a) Updates to PEP, AOP, PP, risk matrix, and other
- (b) Quarterly physical and financial progress/status reports.
- (c) Updates to POM
- (d) Staff performance appraisals.
- (e) Specific reports requested by the PMO, MoF or the PSC.
- (f) Allocation/provision of funds reports.
- (g) Fixed asset allocation reports.
- (h) External audit reports (prepared under consultancy engagements)
- (i) Mid-term and final evaluations (prepared under consultancy engagements).
- (j) Other.

V. QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

- 5.1 <u>Education</u>: Bachelor's Degree in Economics, Business Administration, Business Management, Project Management or related fields. Certification in Project Management or a Master's degree in a related field would be an asset. Participation in relevant courses/trainings in procurement, project management, time management, leadership, Microsoft Projects, or similar, would also be considered an asset.
- **5.2** <u>Work Experience</u>: A minimum of seven (7) years general working experience since obtaining the first academic degree. A minimum of (5) years of experience working in project management including administration, monitoring, control and evaluation. Previous work with investments projects funded by international development agencies is a plus.

5.3 <u>Skills</u>: The following skills are highly desirable:

- Knowledge of Records Management
- Experience supervising staff
- Experience in Report Writing
- Knowledge and experience working with Microsoft Office, QuickBooks or similar accounting software
- Excellent oral and written command of the English language
- Strong organizational and time management skills and ability to multitask, with ability to adapt to changing needs and priorities
- Solid team management, leadership and delegation skills and ability to coordinate functional activities of multiple actors
- Strong team player
- Strong work ethics

VI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

6.1 The Project Coordinator of the PEU reports to the Director General of the Belize Tax Service. He/she shall work in close coordination with the staff of the MoF and especially the members of the BTS and the Finance Officer of the Ministry.

VII. COMPENSATION

- 7.1 The Project Coordinator will be paid a monthly salary to be established during the contracting process.
- 7.2 Given the staff-like tasks and responsibilities of the PEU personnel, reports (deliverables) do not apply. Instead, performance assessment reports from the supervisor.

VIII. APPLICATIONS

8.1 CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2350-15 section 5 – individual consultants and is open to all eligible candidates as defined in the IDB policies. The individual consultant will be selected in accordance with the selection of Individual Consultant based on Comparison of Qualificationsmethod set out in the Contracting of Consultant Policies.

8.2 APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

- Expression of Interest package should contain:
 - (i) Cover letter briefly explaining interest, experience, and competence of the consultant
 (ii) Comprehensive resume with the Individual Consultant's experience in the assignment of similar nature. Description of similar assignments specifying start and end dates of
 - assignments. Please provide dates, name of employing organization, titles of
- external stakeholders, while maintaining the necessary and transparent lines of communication.
- (i) Ensure with the BTS, the establishment of the necessary and effective lines of internal communication with key stakeholders of the MoF (tax administration, systems administration, financial management, general administration, and other) to ensure the dedicated participation of such personnel in Project implementation and in direct coordination with the PEU.
- (j) Ensure the presence of an accurate Project filing system covering financial, procurement, technical and all activities of the Project, and following the internal control requirements established in the POM.
- (k) Provide timely and accurate reports to the Director General BTS, Financial Secretary, PSC and other agencies on the developments, progress and challenges of the Project.
- (1) Ensure the timely implementation of the monitoring and evaluation activities including the contracting of the mid-term and final evaluations.
- (m) Lead, in coordination with the Financial Specialist, the preparation of the Requests for Advance of Funds along with the expenditure justifications, as required by the Bank.
- (n) Lead the contracting of the independent external auditors of the Program in coordination with the Financial Specialist, the Procurement Specialist and the PMO, and following IDB procedures for this matter.
- (o) Lead the contracting of the consultancies for the execution of the mid-term and final evaluations.
- (p) Ensure the presence of the necessary control environment along with the capacities necessary for the application of a management by objectives framework.
- (q) Provide for the necessary human resources management capabilities for PEU personnel administration.
- (r) Communicate with Project stakeholders (MoF, PMO, PEU, other) to ensure awareness of any new developments in Project status, strategy, progress, deadlines, challenges, decisions and other aspects that may affect Project implementation and the attainment of its development objectives.
- (s) Other.

- positions held, types of activities performed and location of the assignment.
- (iii) Copy of degrees/certificates
- (iv) List of at least two references
- (v) Proof of nationality: copy of documentation of nationality

Qualified Individual Consultant must submit their Expression of Interest via e-mail to <u>Michelle.Longsworth@bts.gov.bz</u>no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday August 26, 2022, marked <u>STAP-Project Coordinator</u> in the subject header. In addition, applicants may also submit a hardcopy at the following address:

Director General Belize Tax Service Strengthening of Tax Administration Project Eleanor Hall Building Lake I. Boulevard, Belize City

For clarifications kindly contact:

Senior Economist Ministry of Finance Sir Edney Cain Building Belmopan E-mail: <u>raquel.guerra@mof.gov.bz</u> Phone: 828-4100/ 828-4112

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Justice will require changes

by Marco Lopez

During my time working in television and live production, we implemented a system called the "idiot check" to ensure useful gear and equipment are not lost or left on set after a long, tiring production day. Listen, 12 to 15 hours of straight work for any human being will wear you down, physically, mentally, and emotionally. This is why the idiot check was always implemented, you see, to ensure that a system was in place that would ensure that even at that low point, we could still get the job done, because, God knows, getting the equipment back to the studio safe and sound is just as important as delivering the production. Now, it's called an "idiot check" because the person lucky to be assigned the task (I'd oftentimes assigned myself) would really look like an idiot walking around a pretty much empty set with their heads down looking for God knows what.

That idiot, however, would oftentimes turn out to be a hero, finding mic wire left at the back of somewhere, or even a damn camera bag, with lens and memory cards containing footage of the day's shoot. Really important stuff to be left behind forgotten.

But what are these trivialities compared to a life? A living, breathing human being, forgotten. My heart goes out to the family of Derrick Uh, and writing this piece, 3:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning, feeling a

NOTICE

BELIZE CITY, BELIZE Estate of MYRON EUGENE SELL a.k.a SONNY SELL, Deceased STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to Section 36 of the Administration of Estates Act, Chapter 197 of the Laws of Belize, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the Estate of **MYRON EUGENE SELL a.k.a SONNY SELL**, late of #72 Rivera Area, Belmopan City, Cayo District, Belize are required to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to the Administrator of the said estate, **PRUDENTIAL TRUST CORPORATION LIMITED** of #15 A Street, Belize City, Belize, the Lawful Attorney of Kristine Lea Sell and Tyron Kristopher Sell, the duly appointed Executors of the Estate of Myron Eugene Sell a.k.a Sonny Sell, and to send such particulars **no later than the 15th day of November 2022**, **AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN** that, at the expiration of the last mentioned date, the Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Myron Eugene Sell a.k.a Sonny Sell, deceased, amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims or demands of which particulars have been delivered, and the Administrator will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claims or demands it shall not then have had notice.

DATED the 15th day of August, 2022

Courtenay Coy LLP Attorneys-at-Law

strange kind of guilt for enjoying the cool of the rain falling, I could only imagine what Derrick was going through at 3:30 a.m. on Sunday morning. See, I suppose that was when he started to lose his breath, and woke up from the heat, a couple of hours after the police van was parked and turned off, and I'm here thinking he must have been out cold to not have called out to that officer who slammed his door shut and walked off. He probably woke up from the heat and stifling and made noise, but who would hear anything at that time in the morning? Surely not the officers at the Corozal police station enjoying a 4:00 a.m. siesta.

Hell, the officer or officers who took the van back to the police station must have been out cold themselves, operating in total zombie mode maybe, but I suppose 1 officer could forget; now 6? I'm not sure. And what happened to the muscle memory?

For any officer, it should be second nature to take a detainee into the cell block. The COMPOL, who has been very candid in his communication on the tragedy, has said clearly that the driver of the police van from the San Joaquin Festival to the Corozal police station is making it seem that he did not know someone was in the back. But others are saying that he did have knowledge. It would be the worst thing to lie at this point; either way, the life of a young, vibrant man was lost in the most torturous of ways, and even if it's a mistake, you have to own up to it.

Minister of Home Affairs, Hon. Kareem Musa, said 12 statements were taken, and 6 officers are being questioned; a criminal tribunal will be held inside the Police Department, and criminal charges are also expected to be levied. It's an okay start; I just can't knock this feeling that whatever will happen won't be enough. Surely won't bring back Derrick Uh; that pain will remain nationally, and more profoundly so for the family — but with that pain, a certain type of fear, that somehow you and I could be locked up and forgotten, just as Derrick was.

Firing the cops and charging them for manslaughter is a step, but is that justice? The COMPOL said he would recommend that the Ministry concede to any demand for compensation by the family, but the precedent, about say, a quarter million dollars max, ain't much, and won't mend the trauma caused to the family and the community – the nation. Again, is that justice?

Whatever happens, the only way we could regain at least a sliver of hope in the police is if we see systems put in place to prevent these and other tragedies from reoccurring. The death of loved ones in police custody has hit many families in Belize to the core. A higher duty of care must be exercised by the department and officers to ensure the preservation of life. The regimes being utilized today are a failure. It's been proven over and over.

Derrick is being buried today, Wednesday, August 17, at 9:00 a.m., at the Cristo Rey Pentecostal Church. My deepest condolences to the family and friends of Derrick Uh. May he rest in peace.

BELIZE CITY

The Estate of CEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS, a.k.a. SEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to section 36 of the Administration of Estate Act, Chapter 97 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020 that all creditors having any claims or demands upon or against **The Estate of CEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS, a.k.a. SEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS,** deceased, late of 1553 Life Avenue, Coral Grove, Belize City, Belize are required to send particulars in writing of there claims or demands to the Administrator of the said estate ADOLPH D. LUCAS, Sr. of 1553 Life Avenue, Coral Grove, Belize City, Belize and to send such particulars not later than three months from the first publication thereof. AND **NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN** that after the expiration of the three months



National Bank of Belize Limited

Employment Opportunity

The National Bank of Belize Limited (NBB) is looking for a highly motivated, goal oriented, responsible and committed individual to join its team in the position of Internal Audit Support Officer in Belize City.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Perform a variety of support tasks for the Audit Department to ensure that audits are conducted in a timely, efficient and professional manner;
- Assist in the completion of independent audits and reviews of the bank's operation as per the approved annual audit plans;
- Perform quarterly and financial year-end cash checks at all branches and service centres;
- Perform semi-annual fraud risk assessments;
- Maintaina proper record keeping system of all audit documentation;
- Adhere to laws and regulations including Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism, and KYC regulations and complies with all bank policies and procedures;
- Any other related duties as assigned from time to time.

aforesaid the Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said **CEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS**, a.k.a. SEDELLA REBECCA LUCAS, deceased, amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims or demands of which particulars have been delivered and the Administrator will not be liable for the assets of the said deceased or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claims or demands the Administrator shall not then have had notice .

Dated this 9 th day of August, 2020.



Qualifications and Skills:

• Minimum:

Associate's Degree in Accounting, Business Administration or related field.

Preferred:

Bachelor's Degree in Accounting

- At least one (1) year of recent, successful professional experience in banking, accounting or auditing;
- · Knowledge of computer software including Microsoft Office Applications;
- Knowledge of the banking industry in Belize, lending, routine banking operations and banking products;
- · Excellent command of the English language;
- · Positive work attitude, excellent work ethics and sound understanding of confidentiality.

Salary:

In accordance with the NBB's Salary Structure

Interested applicant should submit application letter along with resume, copies of certificates and two recent letters of professional recommendation via email to the Human Resource Manager at:

hr@nbbltd.bz

Deadline for submission of application: 23rd August, 2022

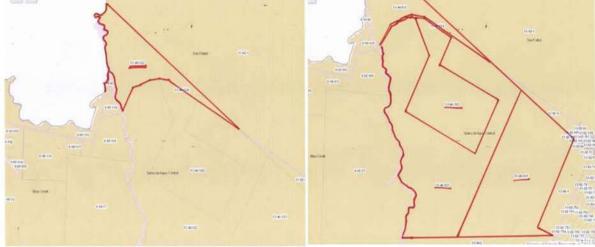
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8,953.41 ACRES OF ALMOST FULLY DEVELOPED RICE FARMLAND, NEAR SAN FELIPE VILLAGE & BOOTHS RIVER, ORANGE WALK DISTRICT

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees Messrs. Atlantic Bank Limited, Licensed Auctioneers Kevin A. Castillo and Christiana R. Castillo are selling ONLINE via belizepropertyauctions.com the following properties. Sales currently running until 15th October 2022. Public Auction Sales will expire fortnightly on the dates and times listed on the website until these properties are sold.

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Celebrating Marcus Garvey, 2022 — The UNIA Declaration

by Louis - Emerson

One hundred twenty-two years ago, thousands of delegates of the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA) gathered in Harlem, New York. The UNIA was founded by Marcus Garvey in 1914 and was dedicated to the advancement and "racial uplift" of Black people globally. In August 1920, delegates in New York drafted a fifty-four point "Declaration of the Rights of the Negro Peoples of the World", which was also meant to serve as the association's statement of principles for its African Redemption exercise and programs.

The UNIA's Declaration, signed by delegates on 13th August 1920, insisted "That nowhere in the world, with few exceptions, are black men accorded equal treatment with white men." The Declaration then elaborated fifty-four points of action and contention covering issues from voting rights to the treatment of prisoners to the abolishment of the League of Nations for malfeasance. Reading the Declaration in the context of COLONIALISM/IMPERIALISM'S international political/economic agenda we find that the language of the UNIA declaration overflows with thoughts and ideas of self-governance, of that time. Today in the twenty first century we must reflect and redeem this freedom of expression which is an inalienable human right and the foundation for selfgovernment. Freedom of expression encompasses the freedoms of speech, press, religion, assembly, and association, and the corollary right to receive information without interference and without compromising personal privacy.

I will ask that the members of the UNIA-ACL, Black Cross Nurses, National Kriol Council, National Garifuna Council, ADDI, all grassroots community leaders revisit and read the UNIA's Declaration of Rights of The Negro Peoples of the World. It can and will help us to coherently frame some questions about the way conventional rights frameworks are being simultaneously rejected and reinvented in the current moment, demonstrating and continuing the profit before people. Why is the call for love, truth, peace, freedom, and justice the battle cry for current protests in Belize and the region? Is human rights delayed in Belize and the region? If this is so, who is steering this delay process??

Dr. Vince Hines, the VOICE OF THE VOICELESS FROM SELF HELP NEWS, has elaborated that this shift is particularly important, because the scholarship of human rights has long rested on an ideology relating to the doctrine of design and purpose in the material world. "a teleological view of nature.' Our human rights discourses today are formed on the basis of Natural Law. We can find the revolutionary language of the late 18th century and see how documents such as the Rights of Man and the American Declaration of Independence, are consolidated in the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Dr. Vince Hines points to scholars such as Dominique Marshall, who have traced important precedents to the League of Nations era; and two conventions on the rights of the child, earlier ideas of rights, and especially rights discourses born of resistance, have not been generally

incorporated in conventional histories of human rights.

With that said, historian Wendell Adjetey insists that the UNIA's "selfdetermination manifesto rivaled the U.S. Declaration of Independence and French Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen."

The absence of the UNIA Declaration in general histories of human rights is revealing an incredible bias. Why is this so? I would venture to say this historical silence is because of precedent already set, and how we understand causality.

In Belize we have this inherently problematic nature of dividing culture, Identity and history into tidy, compartmentalized cells, and so we have not been able to focus concentrated attention on how ideas of human rights and justice have been framed in historic documents such as the DECLARATION OF RIGHTS OF THE NEGRO PEOPLES OF THE WORLD. The absence of these ideas from our current discourse is damaging.

The Declaration of Rights of the Negro Peoples of The World is an important primary source; its context of creation offers important lessons for historians of human rights and scholars of classism, racism and resistance to the proactive violence in POVERTY. The declaration of rights of the Negro Peoples of the World is a timely read for anyone concerned about issues of equality and justice for all:

Be It resolved, that the Negro people of the world, through their chosen representatives in a convention assembled in Liberty Hall, in the City of New York and United States of America, from August 1 to August 31, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty, protest against the wrongs and injustices they are suffering at the hands of their white brethren, and state what they deem their fair and just rights, as well as the treatment they propose to demand of all men in the future.

We complain:

1. Be it known to all men that whereas all men are created equal and entitled to the rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and because of this we, the duly elected representatives of the Negro peoples of the world, invoking the aid of the just and Almighty God, do declare all men, women and children of our blood throughout the world free denizens, and do claim them as free citizens of Africa,

Anglican Diocese of Belize

VACANCIES

The Anglican Management is seeking qualified persons to fill teaching positions in primary schools in Belize.

Applicants should be i) committed to the well-being of children and to their education ii)spiritually grounded andwilling to support the principles and practices of the Anglican Church.Academic and professional qualifications must be consistent with the standards of the Ministry of Education.

Teaching positions are available in the following areas: San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Placencia, Belmopan, Mahogany Heights & San Ignacio.

Application forms are available from the Diocesan Office located at 25A Southern Foreshore in Belize City or may be requested by email at <u>bzediocese@btl.net</u>. Completed forms must be submitted with <u>all</u> required documentation (two recommendations, original transcript, <u>certified copies</u> of: a valid license toteach, a valid police record, social security card, birth certificate, medical report, highest academic certificates/degrees) to:

> General Manager P.O. Box 535 Anglican Diocesan Office 25 A Southern Foreshore, Belize City

Deadline:August 26th, 2022



REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

RFQ NUMBER: 535-22-001

DATE: August 10, 2022

Peace Corps Belize has a need for 2 vehicle(s). Peace Corps is soliciting fixed-price quotations from the vendor community for the vehicle(s) detailed below.

Item	Description	Qty
001	4x4 SUV with Manual Transmission	1
002	4x4 Pickup Truckwith Manual Transmission	1

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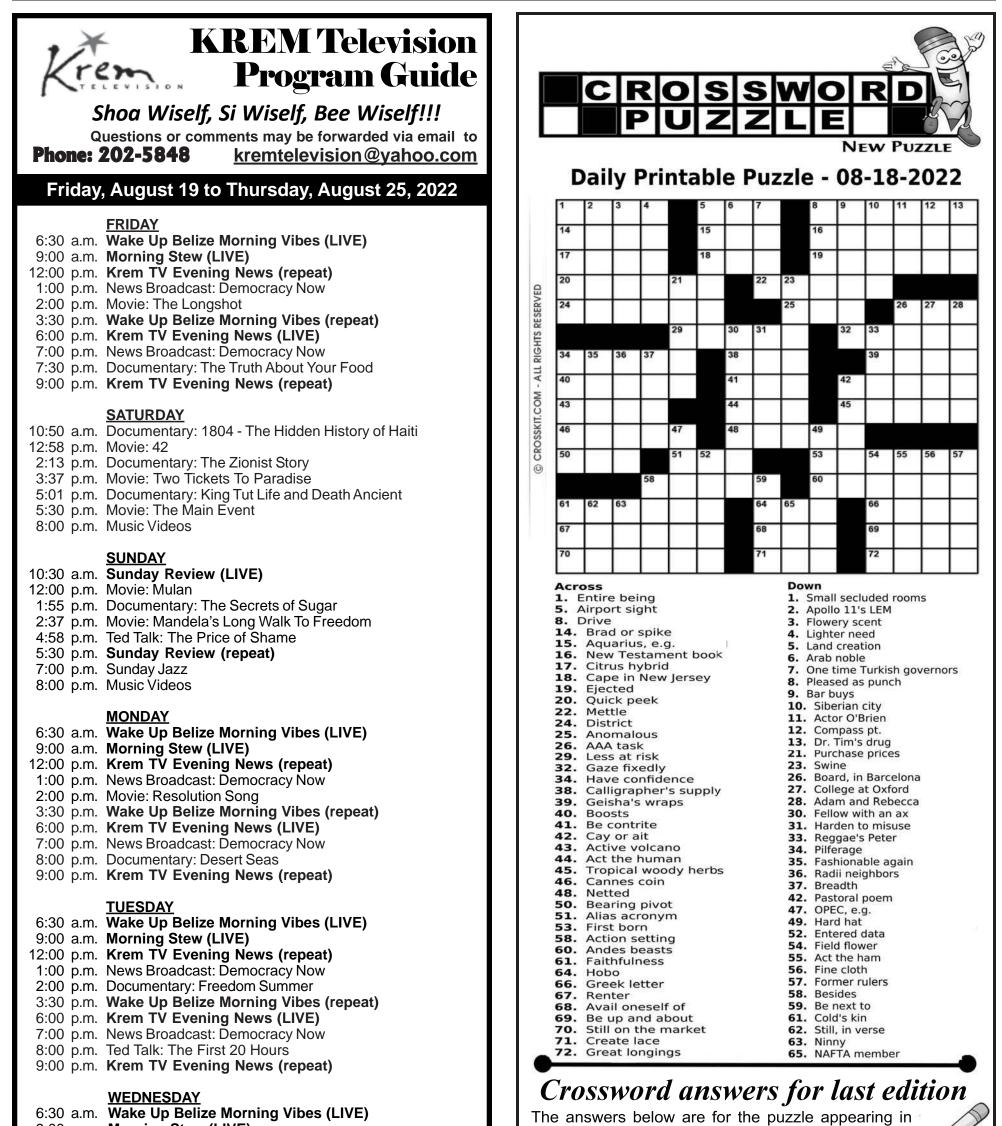
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Interested vendors wishing to submit a quotation should contact the Director of Management and Operations at the address below for vehicle additional specifications and RFQ form. Vendor must supply vehicle within 90 days after award of contract.

> Name: Director of Management and Operations Address: 7069 George Price Boulevard, Belmopan E-mail:BZ-DMO@peacecorps.gov

Quotations are due no later than 5pm on August 26,2022. Late quotations will not be accepted.



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2:00 p.m. Movie: Oliver Twist
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- 2:00 p.m. Documentary: Slavery by Another Name
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- 6:00 p.m. Krem TV Evening News (LIVE)
- 7:00 p.m. News Broadcast: Democracy Now
- 8:00 p.m. UEF: 400 Million BZD Development at Port of Belize Ltd. Discussion
- 9:00 p.m. Krem TV Evening News (repeat)

the last edition of the Amandala. The answers for the above puzzle will appear in next issue of this newsapaper.



Daily Printable Crossword Puzzle - 08-11-2022 - Answers

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BELIZEPROPERTYAUCTIONS.COM COUNTRYWIDE PUBLIC AUCTION SALES: PROPERTIES

San Pedro, Ambergris Caye; Belize District; Little Belize Settlement, San Antonio Village, Corozal Town, Xaibe Village, Consejo Village, Corozal District; Shipyard Settlement, August Pine Ridge Village, Hill Bank Area, Trial Farm Orange Walk Town; Lord's Bank, Los Lagos, Hattieville, Belize District; Belmopan, Georgeville Village, Camalote Village, Cayo District; Bella Vista Village, Toledo District

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees Messrs. Atlantic Bank Limited, Licensed Auctioneers Kevin A. Castillo and Christiana R. Castillo are selling ONLINE via belizepropertyauctions.com the following properties. Sales currently running until 15th October 2022. Public Auction Sales will expire fortnightly on the dates and times listed on the website until these properties are sold.

A: San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize District:



1999 Toyota Ray 4

VEHICLE: Available for viewing prior to sale

2. Parcel No. 7854 Ambergris Bay Area on the Western Portion of Ambergris Caye, San Pedro, Belize:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
San Pedro	7	7854

3. Parcel No. 6824 Colonia Diego, San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Belize District:



REGISTRATION SECTION BLOCK PARCEL San Pedro 7 6824 Freehold property of Mr. Pablo Sosa. 6824

4. Parcel No. 2601 San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Belize District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
San Pedro	7	2601
Freehold property of Mr. Pablo	Sosa	

5. Parcel No. 9412 approximately 13 miles northeast of San Pedro Town in Bracelette Caye on the west coast of Ambergris Caye, Belize District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
San Pedro	7	9412
Freehold property of Messrs. Pair for Mr. Keith Alan Zielaskowski.		ed, surety

B: COROZAL DISTRICT:

1. Parcel No. 799 Waree Bight Area, near Little Belize, Corozal District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Waree Bight/Freshwater Creek	3	799
Freehold property of Mr. David Neuf	eld of Little Beli	ze Corn Mill.

2. Parcel No. 130 San Antonio Village, Corozal District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Corozal North	36	130
Freehold property of Mr. Carlos C. I	Elvir & Blanca Elv	ir.

3. Parcel No. 929 8th Avenue, Corozal Town, Corozal District:

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3. Parcel No. 396 Trial Farm Village, Orange Walk District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Trial Farm	4	396
Freehold property of Mr. Jesus	Pena.	

D. BELIZE DISTRICT:

1. Lot No. 58 situate in Lord's Bank Village Extension, Belize District:



ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 58 situate in Lord's Bank Village Extension, Belize District comprising 1066.42 square yards TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon. Freehold property of Mr. Norman Augustine Jr.)

2. Lots Nos. 43 & 44 Fred Hunter's Subdivision, Mile 13 Phillip Goldson Highway, Belize District:



ALL THOSE pieces or parcels of land being Lots Nos. 43 and 44 situate Southwest of the Phillip Goldson Highway at Mile 13, Belize District, Belize being a portion of land comprised in Minister's Fiat Grant No. 15 of 1989 date 23rd February 1989 TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon. (Being 2 vacant lots situate in the Fred Hunter Subdivision near Mile 13 on the Northern Highway, South of Los Largos in the Belize District, the freehold properties of Mr. Gildardo Cardona and Mrs. Rocio Aguilar Cardona)

3. Lot No. 307 Hattieville Village, Belize District:



ALL THAT piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 307 situated at Belizean American Site near Mile 17 ½ South of George Price Highway, Hattieville Village, Belize District comprising 613.44 square meters TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon. (Freehold property of Mr. Sean Delroy Nicholas)

E: CAYO DISTRICT:

Parcel No. 3173 Western Side Hummingbird Highway, Belmopan, Cayo District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Belmopan	20	3173
Freehold property of Ms. Su Ti	Liang.	517.

Lot No. 193 Georgeville Village, Cayo District:



ALL THAT piece or parcel of vacant land b	being Lot No. 193 Minister's Fiat 606 of
2013 of Georgeville Village, Cayo District,	comprising of 1026.481 Square Meters,
TOGETHER with all buildings and erection	standing and being thereon. (Freehold
property of Ms. Tanesha Salazar)	

B. Parcels Nos. 2286 & 2287 Camalote Village, Cayo District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCELS
Society Hall	24	2286 & 2287
Freehold properties of Mr. Ron	Waight & M	s. Karina Waight

F: STANN CREEK DISTRICT

1. Parcel Nos. 440 Dangriga, Stann Creek District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Dangriga South	31	440

5. Parcel No. 418 Consejo Village, Corozal District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
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C: ORANGE WALK DISTRICT:

Farm equipment: FARM EQUIPMENT: CAMP 18 SHIPYARD COMMUNITY - Available for viewing



Combine Harvester Sprayer

1. Parcel No. 1124 August Pine Ridge Village, Orange Walk District:



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2. 726.969 Acres Indian Creek Community, Hill Bank Area, Orange Walk District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCELS
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Freehold properties of Mr. Jaco	ob Freisen	& Mr. Bernhard Freisen.



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2. Parcel Nos. 618 Dangriga, Stann Creek District:



REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Dangriga South	31	618
Freehold property of Messrs. D	angriga Cable	Vision.

G: TOLEDO DISTRICT: 1. Lot No. 2 Bella Vista Village, Toledo District:



All That piece or parcel of land known as Lot #2 located in Bella Vista Village, Stann Creek District compromising 445.892 square meters Together with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon. (Freehold property of Mr. Robert Andrew August and Ms. Roselia E. Lizama)

"FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & PHOTOGRAPHS PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE"

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BELIZE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND TENDER NOTICE

Country: Belize Project: CARICOM Development Fund Grant No: BZE/ G00011 Project ID: CDF/00011/WS1 Contract Number: W/CDF-02/2022 National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Deadline: **September 5, 2022**

- 1. The Government of Belize has received funding through the CARICOM Development Fund (CDF) towards implementation of a project that focuses on improving water supply systems in four (4) communities and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contract for **Design**, **Supply and Installation of a Reverse Osmosis Purification Water Supply System for Chunox Village, Corozal District, Belize.**
- 2. The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

The contract proposes to:

The contract proposes to design, supply and installation services for a reverse osmosis purification water supply system for the Chunox Village, Corozal District. The system is desired to be connected to the village water well, along with being able to produce an estimated output of a minimum of 50,000 gallons per day to provide water to 425 households. Shall also include the provision of all designs (civil, mechanical, electrical, etc.) and any other designs needed for the optimal and efficient functioning of the reverse osmosis purification water supply system; Reference shall be made to the proposed electrical design for the Chunox pump house.

- 3. **Final (Project Site) Destination as specified in BDS:** Chunox Village, Corozal District, Belize.
- 4. Belize Social Investment Fund now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction works in the aforementioned areas.
- 5. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the CARICOM Development Fund's Guidelines for Procurement (May 2010), and are open to all countries of the world are eligible to tender for this contract.
- Qualification requirements include (a) The bidder shall furnish unaudited or audited financial 6. statements (balance sheets with corresponding notes, income statement, and statements of cash flow) of the firm for years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 to demonstrate the current soundness of the bidder's financial position (b) Bidders should have general experience under contracts in the role of contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 with activity of at least five (5) months in each year starting 1st January, 2019 (c) Bidders should have specific experience as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor, or subcontractor, between 1st January 2011 and the bid submission deadline and should have less than or equal to four (4) contracts, each of a minimum value of BZ\$125,000.00, but with a total value of all contracts equal or more than BZ\$500,000.00 (d) demonstrate cash flow requirement: capacity to have a cash flow amount of BZ\$42,000.00 of which not more than BZ\$21,000.00 can be credit for materials (e) an average annual turnover of BZ\$500,000.00 which shall be calculated as total certified payments received for contracts completed within the best two (2) years of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (e) other provided in the respective Bid Documents.
- 7. A secured "sample" electronic Bid document can be shared with interested Bidders at the address below, starting August 8th, 2022, on week days between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for viewing purpose only (has a time restriction for viewing). A complete set of Bidding documents (hard-copy or electronic version) can be purchased by interested bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of BZ\$150.00. Requests may be made by personal application or in writing to the address below. Written applications must be clearly marked: "Design, Supply, and Installation of a Reverse Osmosis Purification Water Supply System for Chunox Village, Corozal District, Belize". The method of payment will be by cash deposited to, or Bank transfer to BSIF's Bank Account only. Banking details can be requested at the address below. Cash payment will not be accepted at the BSIF Office.
- 8. Deadline for bids is at or before 10:00 a.m., September 5th, 2022 at the address below. Bids will be opened at 10:15 a.m., September 5th, 2022 at the Social Investment Fund, 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to participate. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. All bids must be accompanied by a "Bid Security" of BZ\$ 5,000.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or Bank Guarantee. The bid validity period is 90 days.

Bill Russell, who transformed pro basketball, dies at 88

August 12, 2022, AMANDALA issue #3577

<u>by Richard Goldstein</u> www.nytimes.com, July 31, 2022

A Much-Decorated Man

Russell was the ultimate winner. He led the University of San Francisco to N.C.A.A. tournament championships in 1955 and 1956. He won a gold medal with the United States Olympic basketball team in 1956. He led the Celtics to eight consecutive N.B.A. titles from 1959 to 1966, far eclipsing the Yankees' five straight World Series victories (1949 to 1953) and the Montreal Canadiens' five consecutive Stanley Cup championships (1956 to 1960).

He was the N.B.A.'s most valuable player five times and an All-Star 12 times.

A reedy, towering figure at 6 feet 10 inches and 220 pounds, Russell was cagey under the basket, able to anticipate an opponent's shots and gain position for a rebound. And if the ball caromed off the hoop, his tremendous leaping ability almost guaranteed that he'd grab it. He finished his career as the No. 2 rebounder in N.B.A. history, behind his longtime rival Wilt Chamberlain, who had three inches on him.

Russell pulled down 21,620 rebounds, an astonishing average of 22.5 per game, with a single-game high of 51 against the Syracuse Nationals (the forerunners of the Philadelphia 76ers) in 1960.

He didn't have much of a shooting touch, but he scored 14,522 points many on high-percentage, short lefthanded hook shots—for an average of 15.1 per game. His blocked shots—the total is unrecorded, because such records were not kept in his era—altered games.

Beyond the court, Russell could appear aloof. He was bruised by the humiliations his family had faced when he was young in segregated Louisiana, and by widespread racism in Boston. When he joined the Celtics in 1956, he was their only Black player. Early in the 1960s, his home in Reading, Mass., was vandalized.

Russell's primary allegiance was always to his teammates, not to the city of Boston or to the fans. Guarding his privacy and shunning displays of adulation, he refused to sign autographs for fans or even as keepsakes for his teammates. When the Celtics retired his No. 6 in March 1972, mean and how long they will last, compared with the faith I have in my own love for the game."

Racial Scars, a Mother Lost

William Felton Russell was born on Feb. 12, 1934, in Monroe, La., where his father, Charles, worked in a paper bag factory. He remembered a warm home life but a childhood seared by racism. He recalled that a police officer once threatened to arrest his mother, Katie, because she was wearing a stylish outfit like those favored by white women. A gas-station attendant sought to humble his father, while Bill was with him, by refusing to provide service, an episode that ended with Charles Russell chasing the man while brandishing a tire iron.

When Bill was 9 years old, the family moved to Oakland, Calif. His mother died when he was 12, leaving his father, who had opened a trucking business and then worked in a foundry, to bring up Bill and his brother, Charles Jr., teaching them, as Russell long remembered, to work hard and covet self-worth and self-reliance.

At McClymonds High School in Oakland, Russell became a starter on the basketball team as a senior, already emphasizing defense and rebounding. A former basketball player for the University of San Francisco, Hal DeJulio, who scouted for his alma mater, recognized Russell's potential and recommended him to the coach, Phil Woolpert.

Russell was given a scholarship and became an All-American, teaming up with the guard K.C. Jones, a future Celtic teammate, in leading San Francisco to N.C.A.A. championships in his last two seasons. Following a loss to U.C.L.A. in Russell's junior year, the team won 55 straight games. He averaged more than 20 points and 20 rebounds a game for his three varsity seasons.

"No one had ever played basketball the way I played it, or as well," Russell told Sport magazine in 1963, recalling his college career. "They had never seen anyone block shots before. Now I'll be conceited: I like to think I originated a whole new style of play."

In the mid-1950s, the Celtics had a highly talented team featuring Bob Cousy, the league's greatest small man, and the sharpshooting Bill Sharman at guard and Ed Macauley, a fine shooter, up front. But lacking a dominant center, they had never won a championship.

 A Virtual Pre-bid meeting with interested eligible bidders will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 23rd, 2022. The link is <u>https://bit.ly/31ACuQU</u>. Bidders can participate in the meeting to address any queries about the bidding document or the scope of works. Persons who purchase packages are urged to attend.

10. The address referred to above is:

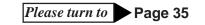
Contact: Ms. Ruby Pascascio Senior Procurement Officer Social Investment Fund 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive Belmopan Cayo District Tel: 822-0239/822-0508 E-mail: <u>ruby.pascascio@sifbelize.org</u> cc: <u>carlos.tun@sifbelize.org</u> <u>therese.arzu@sifbelize.org</u> the event, at his insistence, was a private ceremony in Boston Garden. He ignored his election to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame-situated squarely in Celtics country, in Springfield, Mass.---and refused to attend the induction. "In each case, my intention was to separate myself from the star's idea about fans, and fans' ideas about stars," Russell

said in "Second Wind: The Memoirs of an Opinionated Man (1979)," written with Taylor Branch. "I have very little faith in cheers, what they



Fans carry Russell, right, Tommy Heinsohn, left, and Auerbach off the court at Boston Garden in 1964 after the Celtics won their sixth consecutive N.B.A. championship, defeating the Warriors. Credit...Bettmann / Getty Images

The Rochester Royals owned the No.



Duty exemption for MSMEs

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022

Later this month, from August 24 - 26, the first pop-up shop for the Ministry of Economic Development's MSME Roadshow, aimed at enabling the success and growth of micro, small and medium-sized businesses in the country, will be held in the Corozal District. The roadshow is a three-month mobile exercise being coordinated by the government of Belize with the objective of positively impacting MSME's throughout the country and is part of the efforts to implement the MSME Policy and Strategy 2022 – 2025 recently approved by Cabinet.

Another notable initiative being rolled out as part of the implementation of this policy, is a four-year duty exemption that government will be offering to MSME's and that will amount to \$1 million of exemptions yearly. When interviewed recently, CEO of the Ministry of Economic Development, Osmond



Martinez, explained that the relief being offered will not be looked at as a loss in

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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BELIZE TEACHING SERVICE COMMISSION

IT IS NOTIFIED for general information that, with effect from 3rd June 2022, the following persons are appointed as members of the Belize Teaching Service Commission, pursuant to section 15(2) of the Education and Training Act, Chapter 36:01, of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020–

- (a) Ms. Maud Hyde, appointed as Chairperson by the Governor-General acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister given after consultation with the Leader of the Opposition, the National Council for Education and the National Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training for a period of 1 (one) year; and
- (b) members appointed by the Hon. Francis Fonseca, Minister of Education, Culture, Science and Technology for a period of 3 (three) years-

Name	Position	Organisation
Dr. Sharmayne Saunders	s Member	Board of Management of Government-Aided Secondary Schools
Mrs. Celia Usher	Member	General Managers of Government-Aided Primary Schools
Mrs. Ayonie Briceno	Member	Board of Management of Government-Aided Tertiary Schools
Mr. Claudio Leal	Member	Board of Management of ITVET Institution
Senator Elena Smith	Member	Largest Registered Teachers' Union
Mr. Carlos Tun	Member	PTA's North Districts
Ms. Michelle Lockwood	Member	PTA's Central Districts
Ms. Andrea Peters	Member	PTA's Southern Districts
Dr. Danalyn Myvett	Member	Churches
Ms. Yolanda Gongora	Ex-Officio Member	Chief Education Officer
Dr. Dian Danderson	Ex-Officio Member	Director of the Commission's Secretariat
Dated the 19th day of July, 2	2022.	
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for	(HON. FRANC	IS FONSECA)

Tonton Macute!

In 1968, after a coup against Haitian president, Papa Doc Duvalier failed, he purged the army and police, and put in his own people to police Haiti! These security agents had broad-ranging powers, to arrest or assassinate anyone they thought was a threat to the state. They were feared, and with free rein they controlled crime, and any threat to the government! They were identified by their dark sunglasses, and were said to have magical powers. Already superstitious, the average Haitians were conditioned to believe anything. With their straw hats, dark glasses and machetes or guns, they brooked no opposition or any breaking of the law, except for themselves. They finally withered away with the last visages of the Baby Doc regime.

First of all, I want to make it clear that I'm not comparing the Belize Police Force to the tontons, absolutely not! What I am saying, though, is that we don't want to reach a point in Belize where the police are more feared than respected! If you are afraid of someone, it means you don't trust them. It means that you will not cooperate with them for fear of retribution, or anger, or malice! The police have to be true to their universal motto, to serve and protect! Without that trust and respect, you are inviting anarchy and chaos! After all, the police depend on the public to solve and to help prevent crime. Without that cooperation, you will make mistakes, severe and fatal mistakes.

What happened to Derrick Uh is unforgivable! There is no way that someone who is allegedly drunk and disorderly should pay for that mistake with his life, especially not the cruel and inhumane manner in which he perished! To suffocate and roast at the same time, has to be the most disgusting and appalling way for anyone to spend their final moments, like an animal! The response from the Commissioner of Police has been unacceptable, totally devoid of empathy. There are no 2 sides to this unfortunate incident, no possible defense for the callous and indecent way this man died in police custody!

The Minister of police has his work cut out for him, to calm the fears of the public after this abomination. He seriously has to consider changing the leadership of a force that is apparently rudderless, bring in new blood to change the direction of how law and order is administered! Get rid of those death traps, those vans that are instruments of torture and apparently, death! Get rid of stupid excuses, and the stark reality that too many are dying unnecessarily because of bad policing. Maybe we need a military leadership, instead of lawyers and bureaucrats that spend more time on television, than making sure that the populace is safe!

Every single Belizean should be angry about this atrocity, every single one! Those who caused this should be held responsible, no excuses! What possible excuse could you give to Derrick's family? None!!! Please do something to put a stop to this apparently legal carnage, before we start viewing the police as tontons!

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Hinister of Education, Culture, Science and Technology

Justice.

The Job Description and Application form are available on the Court's website at https://ccj.org/rjlsc-recruitment-update-2-2/.

Applications should be emailed to recruitment@rjlsc.org or delivered to:

The Human Resources Manager Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission #134 Henry Street, Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago, 101010

no later than Friday 2nd September 2022 by 4:00 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time.

Candidates may be required to make themselves available for an interview when notified.

The Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission: Constituted under the Agreement establishing the Caribbean Court of Justice

12 undocumented Ecuadorians caught in Belize

by Charles Gladden

ORANGE WALK, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022

At about 6:30 on Tuesday morning, August 16, members of the Belize Police Department found 12 u n d o c u m e n t e d Ecuadorian men and women hiding in the bushes off a farm road

in San Antonio Village, Orange Walk District. The Ecuadorians had been transported to that location by a vehicle that the officers had been following.

When the officers approached the Ecuadorians, they asked them to present their immigration documents, but when they were not able to show any documents authorizing their entry into the country, they were detained. Police later found Ecuadorian passports in their possession



Two of 12 undocumented Ecuadorians caught

(but with no Belize visa).

The 12 Ecuadorians were subsequently issued with an acknowledgment form, which they signed before the matter was handed over to the Immigration Department. Charges are yet to be levied on the group.

Police were also able to intercept the driver of the vehicle which had transported the Ecuadorians to the location where they were found. It is not known if the driver has been charged.

Duty exemption for MSMEs

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tax revenue, but as an investment in the nation's MSMEs – companies that account for at least 50% of all employment in the country.

He noted that the investment is important, and a part of the government's planBelize manifesto – which promised support for small and micro businesses. An IDB study states, "MSMEs represent 99 percent of businesses in Latin America and the Caribbean and 67 percent of employment, according to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Yet they account for only a third of GDP—half the average seen in OECD countries."

In Belize, according to CEO Martinez, MSMEs generate almost 75% of national GDP and almost fifty percent of employment. He further said that it is expected that the MSME initiatives being put into motion by the government will generate more jobs and formalize MSMEs in the country—helping them to transition from being informal operations to players in the formal market.

"Remember, we have a huge informal market. It is fifty percent, and this policy will definitely help to move the informal to the formal market, which is very important for us, because we will be able to capture more reliable data, which will also impact GDP," CEO Martinez said in his remarks.

The duty exemption is geared at stimulating the economic activity within the MSME sector, since duty costs oftentimes discourage or prevent business owners from purchasing machinery and equipment.

The MSME roadshow is being coordinated by the Government of Belize and being supported by BELTRAIDE, and UNDP. A part of the formalization process for MSMEs will involve linkages with the Social Security Board, Belize Tax Service, BELIPO, and the Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry, and better access to finance from a number of financial institutions.



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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Consultancy to Develop a National Rural Development Strategy for Belize

1. PURPOSE

The Ministry of Rural Transformation, Community Development, Labour & Local Government's overarching mission is to contribute to Belize's sustainable development by providing effective labour administration services, strengthening local governments, and facilitating an enabling environment for rural development.

The Ministry of Rural Transformation has embarked on developing a new National Rural Development Strategy (NRDS) that is both area-based and multi-sectoral. the NRDS would aim to alleviate the current ad hoc approach to rural development by establishing a multi-sectoral and coordinated approach to not only reducing rural poverty but also improving rural residents' cultural, social, political, and environmental well-being.

2. CONSULTANCY OBJECTIVES:

The objective of the consultancy is to develop a national rural development strategy for Belize that will serve as a national framework to guide the rural sector's development process by clearly identifying development strategies that result in poverty reduction and rural economic growth while enhancing local culture and conserving critical environmental resources.

3. SCOPE OF SERVICES

To develop the strategy, the Consultant will conduct the following:

- a) At a high level, engage directly with relevant line Ministries for assessment and planning of the strategy framework.
- b) Assess the implementation deficit of the previous BRADS and identify lessons learned.
- Carry out a situational analysis of the social, economic and natural environment conditions of c) the rural sector based on an informed delineation. The issues to be considered/reported upon in the analysis should include, but not necessarily be limited to the following: Economy – identify critical elements of the rural economy including production, emerging commodities, off-farm employment, tourism, eco-tourism, main employers, livelihoods, labour force participation and overall economic opportunities. Establish clear linkages to the private sector and value chains for whatever opportunities that exist in various sectors. Social development - produce a sex-disaggregated profile of the rural sector. Describe ii. the supply and demand of health and education services, educational achievement, multidimensional poverty, and other relevant social issues of concern. iii. Infrastructure – identify needs and gaps in infrastructure including roads and public utilities that impact on the efficiency of production and quality of rural life. iv. Environment and natural resources - identify the state of the environment, degradation risks, resources for production inputs and climate change risks. d) Review secondary data including reports, studies, assessments, and relevant policy and legal documents including poverty assessments, census reports, labour surveys, etc. Collect primary data through participatory consultations with all categories of stakeholders e) in order to introduce the initiative, obtain feedback and gauge perception of need and strengthen buy-in. f) Prepare, validate, and submit a National Rural Development Strategy to the Ministry.

5. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND DELIVERABLES

The Consultant shall prepare and submit all reports in English. A soft and hardcopy of all reports are to be submitted to the Ministry.

Main tasks	Payment	Timeframe
Inception Report and Work Plan	20%	One week after signing
Situational Analysis Report	25%	One month after commencement
Draft of National Rural Development Strategy	30%	Three months after commencement
Final National Rural Development Strategy	25%	Five months after commencement

6. DURATION OF CONSULTANCY

5 months (August – December 2022)

7. TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Consultant will be expected to travel to locations for meetings and consultation sessions as agreed upon by both parties. The Consultant's fees will be inclusive of travel and accommodation costs.

8. QUALIFICATIONS

The consultant must have the following qualifications and experience:

- Minimum of a master's degree in Rural Development, Local Economic Development, Sustainable Development, Agriculture Economics or any disciplines directly related to the Consultancy.
- At least 10 years' experience in local economic, rural development or community development planning.
- Extensive knowledge of rural community development, public policy, poverty reduction, climate change adaptation, gender and equity approach to programming.

4. SUPERVISION/PROCESS MANAGEMENT

The Consultant will report to the Chief Executive Officer or his designate. The Rural Development Department's staff will assist the Consultant in coordinating activities such as meeting planning, stakeholder workshops, interaction with government Ministries and agencies, and general administrative matters.

- Broad experience in facilitating extensive stakeholder consultations with government representatives, private sector, NGOs, and other stakeholders.
- Proven technical report-writing (English), analytical, communication, and project management skills.

9. INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION:

Technical proposals must demonstrate relevant local or regional experience, appropriate knowledge, skills, and academic qualifications, approach and methodology, and a preliminary work plan. Financial proposals should include consultant costs such as fees, travel, and accommodation. The Ministry will cover the costs of meetings and workshops.

The full Terms of reference may be requested by writing to us at Coord.Rural.Dev@labour.gov.bz.

Technical and financial proposals must be submitted to:

Elsa Cardinez

Coordinator for Rural Development Ministry of Rural Transformation, Community Development, Labour and Local Government Email: Coord.Rural.Dev@labour.gov.bz Subject: "National Rural Development Strategy for Belize"

All submissions must be made by August 29th, 2022, at 4:00pm

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The Bank thus hereby gives notice of its intention to exercise its power of sale under a Deed of Mortgage between Scotia Bank (Belize) Ltdof the one part and Anthea Young Mathias & Samuel Mathias(hereinafter called "the Mortgagors") of the second part which was filed at the Land Titles Unit in Belmopan City on the 8th Day of June 2011in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 2011 at folios 1255-1284 being no. 1012/11. The Bank will at the expiration of two months from the date of the first publication of this notice sell the property of the Mortgagors described in the SCHEDULES hereto.

ALL offers to purchase the said property must be made in writing to the Bank or to the undersigned from either of whom full particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO AS

ALL THAT lot, piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 251 comprising of 661.665 square metres situate in Independence Village, Stann Creek District, bounded and described as shown by the Plan No. 884 of 2001 attached to Minister's Fiat Grant No. 884 of 2001 TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon.

Dated the 15thAugust 2022

The Belize Bank Limited Second Floor Matalon Business Center Coney Drive, Belize City

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE CONCEPCION VILLAGE, COROZAL DISTRICT

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees, Messrs. National Bank of Belize Limited (NBB), Licensed Auctioneer Jonathan Mulligan, will be selling by way of Public Auction, the following properties ON SITE on Saturday September 24th, 2022 at 1:00pm.

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Concepcion, Aventura/Corozal District	1	200/1 & 202/1





DELILLE ACADEMY

VACANCY ^{2nd} New Site Dangriga Town Stann Creek District Phone: 522-3917/522-0601 Email: <u>delilleacademy@yahoo.com</u>

Delille Academy cordially invites suitable candidates to apply for the teaching post for the academic year 2022-2023:

PERMANENT

• 1 Music

Qualifications:

• Applicants with a Certificate in Applied Music or higher qualification will be considered.

Salary is commensurate with Government pay scale.

Interested persons are asked to submit:

- Letter of application
- Resume
- Two recommendations
- Authenticated copies of:
 - 1.Transcripts
 - 2. Diplomas
 - 3. Valid teacher license
 - 4. Social security card
 - 5. Birth certificate/passport
 - 6. Current medical certificate
 - 7. Current police record (Valid only for 6 months)
 - 8. Marriage/Divorce Certificate (*where applicable*)
 - 9. Release letter (*where applicable*)

Mail applications to Chairperson of Board of Governors, Delille Academy, 2nd New Site, Dangriga Townor P.O Box 262 OR Submit to Principal, Delille Academy at the schoolduring normal working hours.

Deadline for submission of applications is Wednesday, 24thAugust 2022.

"A place where hope begins and dreams come true"

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE SANTA RITA HILL, COROZAL DISTRICT

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees, Messrs. National Bank of Belize Limited (NBB), Licensed Auctioneer Jonathan Mulligan, will be selling by way of Public Auction, the following property ON SITE on Saturday September 24th, 2022 at 11:00am.

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Santa Rita Hill/Corozal North	1	3499



Totaling 20.96 acres, these properties provide an excellent opportunity for those looking to purchase extremely fertile, commercial size farmland in the sugar rich fields of Concepcion Village. Freehold Property of Faustino Moh.

TERMS: STRICTLY CASH JONATHAN MULLIGAN TELEPHONE: 615-1133 Email: Bz.auctions.realty@gmail.com



This concrete bungalow house measures an impressive 1,740 square feet in space, and boast three bedrooms, 1 bathroom, 2 living rooms, dining room, and a spacious kitchen. The house is complimented by a front porch, and a huge, enclosed back porch. The yard measures in at 50 feet by 100 feet with an area of 555.4 square yards. Property is located in Santa Rita Hills at the "Chactemal Estates", which is a modern, well planned, private housing community that comprises of medium to high income homes. Financial Institutions such as banks, grocery stores and a wider range of goods and services are available in Corozal Town, which is approximately ½ mile away. Property is also but a 10-minute drive away from the Belize/Mexico Border. Freehold Property of Lyndon Russell Gillett and Rhyma Ann Gillett.

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VACANCY

The British High Commission, Belmopan has a vacancy for a full time Housekeeper/Cook.

Main purpose of the job:

Offer a high quality service to the High Commissioner, guests and visitors at the High Commission Residence by providing and maintaining a high standard of cooking, housekeeping and laundry services; and supporting official functions as required including catering and serving meals and drinks.

Roles and responsibilities/ what will the jobholder be expected to achieve?

Responsible for the overall cleanliness of the High Commission Residence, including the High Commissioner's private living areas, entertaining spaces, guest rooms and service areas to an excellent standard including:

- Ensure high quality cleaning: dust, sweep, mop floors/polish all surfaces/clean glass surfaces/polish silverware
- Provide full laundry service: washing/ironing /arranging dry cleaning/minor repairs
- Plan, cook and serve meals, liaising with the High Commissioner
- Perform weekly fire / incident alarm test
- Maintain inventories of linen and kitchen equipment
- Report maintenance issues and safety and security hazards and ensure all maintenance jobs are attended in coordination with the Estate Department
- Ensure high standard of hygiene and food safety in food storage and preparation
- Ensure care and maintenance of all kitchen equipment
- Escort workmen around the Residence to ensure safety of assets

Events / Visits:

- Prepare events meal budgets
- Set tables to a high standard
- Prepare meals for events and official functions
- Provide waiting service at official functions
- Prepare floral arrangements for dinner functions
- Prepare beverages and serve / set up bar for official entertainment
- Tidy up and after official functions and events

Ad hoc:

- Ad hoc office support e.g. crisis management, visits
- Attend staff meetings e.g. weekly staff meetings, Post Management Committees etc
- To take on work of the Senior Housekeeper as required when she is on leave or ill.
- Work evenings and weekends to deliver official functions or when official guests stay at the Residence.

Essential on arrival:

- Have good communication skills and a good command of the English language - both oral and written
- At least 2 years' work experience in the hospitality industry
- Maintain a customer focus approach
- Willing to take initiative and to be flexible and proactive ("Can do" attitute)
- Able to effectively prioritise and have a proven ability to work under pressure with limited supervision
- Able to work effectively and supportively with colleagues, both individually and in a team
- Able to act with discretion at all times
- Have good IT Skills familiar with Microsoft Office (Word, outlook, excel)
- Have a positive outlook
- Keen attention to detail





INVITATION TO QUOTE – GOODS

Institution:	Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing
Country:	Belize
Project:	Additional Financing for George Price Highway Rehabilitation
Ŭ	Project
Sector:	Transport
Abstract:	Equipment for the Program Management Unit, Ministry of
	Infrastructure Development and Housing
Loan No.:	Loan 4616/OC-BL
Deadline:	2:00 p.m. (Belize Local Time) on September 1st, 2022

- The Government of Belize has received loan financing from the Inter-American Development Bank toward the cost of the Additional Financing for George Price Highway Rehabilitation Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to payments under the Contract for the Supply of Laptops, Laptop Briefcases, UPS Systems, USB-C Docking Stations, and Laser Printers under the Additional Financing for the George Price Highway Rehabilitation Project.
- 2. The Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing now invites sealed quotation from eligible and qualified suppliers for the supply of the following item: Laptops, Laptop Briefcases, UPS Systems, USB-C Docking Stations, and Laser Printers.
- 3. Bidding will be conducted through Shopping procedures specified in the Inter-American Development Bank's Policies for the Procurement of Works and Goods financed by the Inter-American Development Bank.
- 4. Interested eligible suppliers may obtain the full Invitation to Quote for the required Laptops, Laptop Briefcases, UPS Systems, USB-C Docking Stations, and Laser Printers from the Program Management Unit, Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing, located on the First Floor of the Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing Soils Lab Building, Power Lane, Belmopan by emailing pmupcmow@gmail.com, gphrp.3344@midh.gov.bz AND procurement.officer.midh@gmail.com.
- 5. Quotation must utilize forms provided in the invitation to quote. One (1) Original and two (2) copies are to be submitted in sealed labelled envelopes to the address indicated below. Quotations by email **WILL NOT** be accepted.
- 6. Suppliers are informed that they can only quote for the type of Laptops, Laptop Briefcases, UPS Systems, USB-C Docking Stations, and Laser Printers specified, and quote for all items in this Invitation. Price quotations will be evaluated for all the items. Price quotations should be Inclusive of General Sales Tax.
- 7. Your quotation(s) should be submitted as per the following instructions and in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of supply in the attached Quote Submission Sheet.
 - (i) <u>VALIDITY OF THE OFFER</u>: Your quotation(s) should be valid for a period of <u>90 days</u> from the date of receipt for quotation(s).
 - (ii) <u>SUBMISSION OF OFFERS</u>: Offers will be submitted on the Quote Submission Sheet including a description of specifications offered, Price Schedule for Goods and Related Services. These templates are annexed in the full Invitation to Quote. All documents must be completed without any alterations in format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.
- 8. The Purchaser shall award the Contract to the offer which complies substantially with the technical specifications and other requirements in these documents and represents the lowest price.

Desirable:

- Previous relevant working experience in a hotel, diplomatic residence or equivalent
- Experience in maintaining inventories

Salary will be BZ\$ 1,413.32 per month

How to Apply

Interested persons should use the preferred method of applying online at <u>https://bit.ly/3Qiwvry</u>.

The Deadline for applications is 4:00 pm on **Sunday, 4 September 2022**. Only those candidates who are short-listed will be contacted. Please be aware that all applicants must have a legal status to work in Belize. Confirmation of appointment is subject to the satisfactory completion of a probationary period and security clearance.

The British High Commission in Belize is an inclusive and diversity-friendly employer. We value difference, promote equality and challenge discrimination, enhancing our organisational capability. We welcome and encourage applications from people of all backgrounds. We do not discriminate based on disability, race, colour, ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, age, veteran status or other category protected by law. We promote family-friendly flexible working opportunities, where operational and security needs allow.

- 9. Quotation must be delivered to the address below at or before 2:00 pm (Local Belize Time) on September 1st, 2022. Electronic quote will not be permitted. Late quote will be rejected. Your quotation should be in the English language in the required format or other similar, acceptable format should be addressed and submitted to:
- Attention of (Name): Mr. Rolando Chan, Program Coordinator Program Management Unit
- Address:Program Management Unit
First Floor Soils Lab
Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing
Power Lane, Belmopan
Cayo District, Belize
- Phone #: 822-1942/822-0100
- Email: pmupcmow@gmail.com, gphrp.3344@midh.gov.bzAND procurement.officer.midh@gmail.com

Corozal fisherman fined over \$20,000 for undersized lobsters

by Charles Gladden

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022 A young fisherman of Louisville, Corozal District, Enrique Angel Perez, 25, was yesterday arraigned in the Magistrate's Court and ordered to pay over \$20,000 to avoid imprisonment a stiff penalty meted out to him after he was found with 15 undersized lobsters and three soft-shell lobsters on Sunday.

It's been reported that law enforcement personnel found Perez on a boat with the name "Adela T" just south of Northern Two Caye on Sunday, August 7, and when they boarded the vessel they came across three lobsters with soft shells, which are a prohibited catch. They then proceeded to search the boat, and during the search they found 15 undersized lobsters with tails that weighed less than 4 ounces—which is currently the minimum weight of any lobster that can be legally caught

Perez was thus charged in court yesterday with two separate fisheries offenses—to which he pleaded guilty, but he explained to the court that the



Enrique Angel Perez, fined

offenses weren't intentional. He said he had no way of gauging the weight of the lobsters because he did not have a weighted scale when he caught them.

For the offense, he was fined 10 thousand dollars, along with an additional fine of 750 dollars, and for his possession of the soft-shell lobsters, he was fined another 10 thousand dollars. He is to pay the fine by December 31. Otherwise, he will have to serve six months in prison.



Vacancies at Julian Cho Technical High School



Julian Cho Technical High School invites suitably qualified persons to apply for the following posts:

1 Belizean Studies/LSPD Teacher – Temporary (August 2022 to February 2023)

Qualification for Teacher:

- (a) Bachelor's Degree or Higher in the subject area with pedagogical training preferred, however an Associate Degree in the subject area may be considered.
- (b) Teaching experience at the secondary level would be an asset.
- (c) Good communication skills and a willingness to uphold the mission of Julian Cho Technical High School.

Application package must include:

- A letter of application and resume
- Certified copies of diplomas and certificate/s
- Sealed transcript from all post-secondary institutions attended
- Birth certificate or Passport
- Certified copy of Social Security Card
- **Recent Medical Certificate**
- Recent Police Record
- Valid Teacher's License (Secondary level)
- Two recent letters of recommendation

*ALL COPIED DOCUMENTS MUST BE CERTIFIED BY A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Salary:

Salary will be in accordance with the government pay scale based on qualification. Application packages must be addressed to: Secretary

Board of Governors Julian Cho Technical High School P.O Box 171 Toledo District Belize, Central America

ELECTRONIC PACKAGES CAN ALSO BE EMAILED TO:

jcths.secretary2@yahoo.com

Deadline for applications is Monday September 5, 2022.



We are hiring: Administrative Assistant

Belize - Project

REQUIREMENTS:

- Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration or Accounting
- Minimum Two (2) years of experience in similar positions
- Good knowledge with the use of word processors and spreadsheets Immediate availability

Interested persons apply at the following link <u>https://bit.lv/3PEQ9NH</u> Help desk in WhatsApp if you have any question in applying: (506) 6224-2939.



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ALL THAT piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 92 situate in St. Margaret Village, Cayo District, TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon. (Being a concrete bungalow dwelling house [1,813 sq. ft.] containing 3 bedrooms + 1 bathroom + living/dining/kitchen + Laundry + Veranda and fenced Lot [approx. 10,800 sq. ft.] situate in St. Margaret Village, Cayo District, the freehold property of Mr. Reuben Parham and Ms. Maria Parham)

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & PHOTOGRAPHS PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE" TERMS: STRICTLYCASH *KEVIN A. CASTILLO TELEPHONE 223-4488 Website: belizepropertyactions.com E-mail: kevinacas@yahoo.com Facebook: Belize Auctions*



 can be heard on the following frequencies:
 96.5FM in Belize City, Punta Gorda Town, Santa Elena, Cayo and Carmelita Village;
 91.1FM in Ladyville and Independence;
 101.1FM in Dangriga Town, Camalote
 Village and Caye Caulker described in the SCHEDULES hereto.

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THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO AS

ALL THAT lot, piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 50 (568.219 Square Meters) situate in Mango Creek Village Extension, Stann Creek District bounded and described as shown on Plan No. 784 of 2003 and more particularly described in Minister's Fiat Grant No. 784 of 2003 together with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon.

Dated the 10thAugust 2022

The Belize Bank Limited Second Floor Matalon Business Center Coney Drive, Belize City



GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

STRENGTHENING OF TAX ADMINISTRATION

Terms of Reference <u>Project Support Officer</u>

DUTY STATION: Belize City, Belize PROJECT NUMBER: BL-L1031

I. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Government of Belize (GoB) has entered into a US\$ 14 Million Loan Contract Agreement (No. 4839/OC-BL) with the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the execution of a five-year tax modernization project entitled "Strengthening of Tax Administration". The main beneficiaries of the Project are: (a) the Government, which will have more revenues to implement its public policies; (b) taxpayers, who will have more support and a digital environment to fulfill their tax obligations; and (c) the population, from the government policies implemented.
- 1.2 The main objective of the Project is to contribute to Strengthening Tax Administration aimed at increasing revenue collection, through the following specific objectives: (a) increasing the effectiveness of the Government to collect taxes and (b) increasing tax administration efficiency. These objectives will be achieved by improving tax administration governance and operational processes, and by modernizing the technological infrastructure.
- 1.3 The MoF is the Executing Agency responsible for the implementation of the Strengthening of Tax Administration Project. The Project Execution Unit (PEU) of the Ministry of Finance provides the concrete technical, administrative, financial, control and planning, monitoring and evaluation responsibilities for this and all other IDB-funded initiatives implemented by the Ministry.
- 1.4 In this regard, a vacancy exists for the **Project Support** for the PEU under a contractual arrangement with the MoF.

II. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF WORK

- 2.1 The objective of the position is to provide general administrative and clerical support to the PEU in compliance with IDB and national regulations.
- 2.2 The Project Support Officer is responsible for the overall daily affairs of the PEU as it pertains to the effective and successful completion of the various activities under the project portfolio of the Ministry of Finance, and ensuring that all Projects' activities are executed in accordance with the applicable MoF and the Bank's requirements.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES/ACTIVITIES

- 3.1 The main responsibilities of the Project Support officer include, among others:
 - (a) Provide secretarial services for the PEU.
 - (b) Provide clerical services for the PEU.
 - (c) Work closely with the project team in coordination of a wide range of activities in order to meet project and organizational objectives, targets and demands.
 - (d) Work closely with the project team to ensure that internal and external policies and procedures are followed.
 - (e) Maintaining an adequate filing system for the PEU records, including the payment records, among others.

3.2 Specific <u>support</u> activities include: Financial and Procurement Management

- (a) The PSO shall provide clerical support to the Financial Specialist in carrying out the financial requirements of the Projects. This may include but is not limited to letter writing, minute taking, filing, document collation, preparation of reports (Expense Justification and Request for Advance of Funds, meetings reports, etc.) and support with the payment process such as creation of purchase orders and payment vouchers in SmartStream (in accordance with the payment process and controls specified in the Project Operations Manual.
- (b) Support the Financial Specialist in maintenance of supporting project financial documents for audit and review processes.
- (c) Support in collating information for the updating of Fixed Assets Register.
- (d) Liaise with Ministry's Finance Accounts Unit to assist in the procurement of goods, including raising requisitions, tracking purchase orders, and maintenance of all aspects of receipt of goods.
- (e) The PSO shall provide clerical support to the Procurement Specialist in carrying out the procurement requirements of the Projects in accordance with Government and IDB procurement policies and procedures. This may include but is not limited to letter writing, preparation of request for quotations, requesting quotations, minute taking (meetings and negotiations), filing, document collation, preparation of reports (evaluation reports and meetings reports), updating of contract ledger

- (d) Pro-actively coordinate/liaise with Ministry units on all administrative matters, as delegated by the ProjectCoordinator;
- (e) Act as a point of contact for outside callers, written and email inquiries, where necessary;
- (f) Coordinate all outgoing and incoming correspondences;
- (g) Collate reports for Project Steering Committees, Technical Advisory Committee, semester reports, and other internal or external stakeholders/audiences
- (h) Collate documents and communicate to and from BTS team and consultants to allow for successful completion of consultancy work.
- 3.4 The Project Support Officer shall undertake his/her work with the guidance of and coordination with the MoF and the BTS.

IV. REPORTS/ DELIVERABLES

- 4.1 The Project Support Officerwill be responsible for preparing/ updating the following which are considered recurrent deliverables or responsibilities:
 - (a) Project files (payment, procurement, etc.)
 - (b) Minutes of meetings
 - (c) Contract ledger
 - (d) Other.

V. QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

- 5.1 Education: Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Public Administration or related fields is an asset. Participation in relevant courses/training in fields of project management, Microsoft Project, time-management, computer skills, Microsoft Office would also be considered an asset.
- **5.2** <u>General Experience</u>: Aminimum of two (2) years general working experience since obtaining the first academic degree.

5.3 <u>Specific Experience</u>:

- Aminimum of two (2) years of work experience in performing administrative support services and/or secretarial duties.
- One (1) year experience working with SmartStream system is considered an asset.
- One (1) year experience working with international or national development agencies is considered an asset.
 - One (1) year experience working with Microsoft Project is considered an asset.
- 5.4 Skills: (a) knowledge of records management is an asset; (b) Have excellent computer skills, including Microsoft Office; (c) task orientated and able to prioritize projects, multitask and meet tight deadlines; (d) fluent in written and spoken English with the ability to express data in a concise and clear manner; (e) ability to speak Spanish is an asset; (f) team player and possess strong self-motivation and initiative; (g) professional, honest and display strong business ethics and integrity.

VI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

6.1 The Project Support Officer reports to the Project Coordinator for BL-L1031. He/she shall work in close coordination with the staff of the MoF, and especially the members of the BTS and the Finance Officer of the Ministry.

VII. COMPENSATION

7.1 The Project Support Officer will be paid a monthly salary to be established during the contracting process.

VIII. APPLICATIONS

8.1 CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: <u>Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank</u> GN-2350-15 section 5 – individual consultants and is open to all eligible candidates as defined in the IDB policies. The individual consultant will be selected in accordance with the selection of Individual Consultant based on Comparison of Qualificationsmethod set out in the Contracting of Consultant Policies.

8.2 APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Expression of Interest package should contain:

Cover letter briefly explaining interest, experience, and competence of the consultant

- Project Monitoring and Reporting
- (a) The PSO shall support the Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Specialist in monitoring the project results indicators, and other aspects of the M&E system for the Projects.
- (b) Assist the Project team for preparation of monthly, quarterly and semester progress reports and annual operation plans for the Projects.
- (c) Support the development and maintenance of information systems to ensure real time tracking and activity management under the Projects.

Coordinate and Liaison

- (a) Organize all project and stakeholder meetings, consultations and events as and when necessary, and maintain records of these meetings. This may include assistance in drafting Agenda, sending and confirming invitations, venue booking, Food and Refreshments, equipment for meetings.
- (b) Record Minutes of Meetings, including Project Steering Committee Meetings, Technical Advisory Committees, other partners and any other meetings as required by the Project Coordinator;
- (c) Support in arranging project-related travel. Knowledge Management and Innovation
- (a) Provide research support capacity to the PEU;
- (b) Support in developing Project presentations and media documents, in compliance with the external and internal policies of the Projects. <u>Operational and Logistical Support</u>
- (a) Assist Program Coordinator in monitoring all HR Requirements and related activities;
- (b) Maintain records of projects files and other supporting documents in compliances with external and internal procedures;
- (c) Assist the ProjectCoordinator in the preparation of project reports, and to ensure compliance with contractual obligation;

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- (ii) Comprehensive resume with the Individual Consultant's experience in the assignment of similar nature. Description of similar assignments specifying start and end dates of assignments. *Please provide dates, name of employing organization, titles of positions held, types of activities performed and location of the assignment.*
- (iii) Copy of degrees/certificates
- (iv) List of at least two references
- (v) Proof of nationality: copy of documentation of nationality

Qualified Individual Consultant must submit their expression of interest via e-mail to <u>Michelle.Longsworth@bts.gov.bz</u>no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday September 2nd, 2022, marked <u>STAP-Project Support Officer</u>in the subject header. In addition, applicants may also submit a hardcopy at the following address:

Director General Belize Tax Service Strengthening of Tax Administration Project Eleanor Hall Building Lake I. Boulevard, Belize City

For clarifications kindly contact:

Senior Economist Ministry of Finance Sir Edney Cain Building Belmopan Email: raquel.guerra@mof.gov.bz

Bill Russell, who transformed pro basketball, dies at 88

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1 selection in the 1956 N.B.A. draft, but they already had an outstanding big man, Maurice Stokes, and were unwilling to wage what their owner, Les Harrison, believed would be a bidding war for Russell with the Harlem Globetrotters, who were reportedly willing to offer him a lucrative deal. So the Royals drafted Sihugo Green, a guard from Duquesne.

The St. Louis Hawks had the No. 2 draft pick, but they, too, did not think they could afford Russell. Auerbach persuaded them to trade that selection to the Celtics for Macauley, a St. Louis native, and Cliff Hagan, a promising rookie. That enabled Boston to take Russell.

Russell did meet with the Globerotters that spring but, as he stated in a January 1958 collaboration with Al Hirshberg for The Saturday Evening Post, he did not seriously consider signing with them. He found the prospect of yearlong worldwide travel unappealing and wrote how "their specialty is clowning and I had no intention of being billed as a funny guy in a basketball uniform."

Russell led the United States Olympic team to a gold medal in the 1956 Melbourne Games, then joined the Celtics in December. Playing in 48 games as a rookie, he averaged 19.6 rebounds.

That Celtic team—with Russell, Cousy, Sharman, the high-scoring rookie Tom Heinsohn, the bruising Jim Loscutoff and Frank Ramsey—won the franchise's first N.B.A. title, defeating the Hawks in the finals.

Enter Chamberlain

Russell captured his first M.V.P. award in his second season, but this time the Hawks beat the Celtics for the championship, pulling away after Russell injured an ankle in Game 3 of the finals. The next year, the Celtics won the title again, beginning their run of eight straight championships.

In Russell's fourth season, 1959-60, the 7-foot-1, 275-pound Chamberlain entered the N.B.A. with the Philadelphia Warriors. Chamberlain led the league in scoring as a rookie with 37.6 points per game and eclipsed Russell in rebounding, averaging 27 per game to Russell's 24, but the Celtics were champions once more.

Russell was agile, Chamberlain the epitome of strength and power. Russell was usually outscored and out"Wilt can say what he wants, but I used to watch Wilt muscle in against everyone else, but not against Russell."

Russell's tactic was to play close to Chamberlain, forcing him to lean away from the basket, change the angle of his fadeaway jump shots and release them farther from the basket than he liked.

Russell bested Chamberlain in another way: In his prime, as he told it, his annual salary was \$100,001, \$1 more than Chamberlain was making.

Russell was an intense competitor, and though he contended that he was not nervous in the moments before games, he engaged in an often remarked upon ritual in the locker room.

"I threw up, but I was never sick," he told The Boston Globe in 2009. "It was a way for my body to get rid of all excesses."

As described by the Celtics' forward John Havlicek, it was "a tremendous sound, almost as loud as his laugh."

"He doesn't do it much now, except when it's an important game or an important challenge for him—someone like Chamberlain, or someone coming up that everyone's touting," Havlicek told Sports Illustrated in December 1968. "It's a welcome sound, too, because it means he's keyed up for the game, and around the locker room we grin and say, 'Man, we're going to be all right tonight.""



In his last two seasons with the Celtics, with Russell as player-coach, the team won the N.B.A. championship. Credit...Dan Goshtigian/The Boston Globe via Getty Images



BELIZE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND TENDER NOTICE

Country: Belize Project: CARICOM Development Fund Grant No: BZE/G00011 Project ID: CDF/00011/WS4 Contract Number: W/CDF-07/2022 National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Deadline: **September 19th, 2022**

- 1. The Government of Belize has received funding through the CARICOM Development Fund (CDF) towards implementation of a project that focuses on improving water supply systems in four (4) communities and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the contract for **Installation of Water Meters and Pipes for the San Antonio Water Supply System, San Antonio Village, Toledo District, Belize.**
- 2. The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

The contract proposes to:

The contract proposes the installation of pvc pipes and 420 water measuring and control devices in San Antonio Village, Toledo District, Belize.

- 3. **Final (Project Site) Destination as specified in BDS:** San Antonio Village, Toledo District, Belize.
- 4. Belize Social Investment Fund now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction works in the aforementioned areas.
- 5. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the CARICOM Development Fund's Guidelines for Procurement (May 2010), and are open to all countries of the world are eligible to tender for this contract.
- 6. Qualification requirements include (a) The bidder shall furnish unaudited or audited financial statements (balance sheets with corresponding notes, income statement, and statements of cash flow) of the firm for years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 to demonstrate the current soundness of the bidder's financial position (b) Bidders should have general experience under contracts in the role of contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 with activity of at least five (5) months in each year starting 1st January, 2019 (c) Bidders should have specific experience as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor, or subcontractor, between 1st January 2011 and the bid submission deadline and should have less than or equal to three (3) contracts, each of a minimum value of BZ\$40,130.00, but with a total value of all contracts equal or more than BZ\$120,390.00 (d) demonstrate cash flow requirement: capacity to have a cash flow amount of BZ\$10,100.00 of which not more than BZ\$5,050.00 can be credit for materials (e) an average annual turnover of BZ\$240,780.00 which shall be calculated as total certified payments received for contracts completed within the best two (2) years of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (e) other provided in the respective Bid Documents.
- 7. A secured "sample" electronic Bid document can be shared with interested Bidders at the address below, starting August 22nd, 2022, on week days between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for viewing purpose only (has a time restriction for viewing). A complete set of Bidding documents (electronic version) can be purchased by interested bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of BZ\$150.00. Requests may be made by personal application or in writing to the address below. Written applications must be clearly marked: "Installation of Water Meters and Pipes for the San Antonio Water Supply System, San Antonio Village, Toledo District, Belize". The method of payment will be by cash deposited to, or Bank transfer to BSIF's Bank Account only. Banking details can be requested at the address below. Cash payment will not be accepted at the BSIF Office.
- .8. **Deadline** for bids is **at or before 10:00 a.m., September 19th, 2022** at the address below. **Bids will be opened at 10:45 a.m., September 19th, 2022** at the Social Investment Fund, 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive, Belmopan, Cayo District in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to participate. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. All bids must be accompanied by a "Bid Security" of BZ\$1,210.00 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or Bank Guarantee. The bid validity period is 90 days.

rebounded by Chamberlain in their matchups, but the Celtics won most of those games.

"If I had played for the Celtics instead of Russell, I doubt they would have been as great," Chamberlain was quoted as saying in 1996 when the N.B.A.'s 50 greatest players were selected to mark the league's 50th season, though not ranked in any particular order.

As Chamberlain put it, "Bill Russell and the Celtics were the perfect fit."

Russell, friendly with Chamberlain off the court, was complimentary in turn. "I know they talk about me winning more championships, but I don't know how that can be held against Wilt," he said. "We beat everybody. It wasn't just Wilt."

The Russell-Chamberlain rivalry was fierce. "Russell intimidated him," Cousy recalled in "Cousy on the Celtic Mystique" (1988), written with Bob Ryan. "Russell made shot-blocking an art," Auerbach recalled in "Red Auerbach: An Autobiography" (1977), written with Joe Fitzgerald. "He would pop the ball straight up and grab it like a rebound, or else redirect it right into the hands of one of his teammates, and we'd be off and running on the fast break. You never saw Russell bat a ball into the third balcony the way those other guys did."

Russell was not the first Black head coach in professional sports, but he had the greatest impact as the first to be chosen, in 1966, to lead a team in one of America's major sports leagues. Fritz Pollard, a star running back, had coached in the National Football League, but that was in the 1920s, when it was a fledgling operation. John McLendon coached the Cleveland Pipers of the American



9. A Pre-bid meeting with interested eligible bidders will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 6th, 2022 at San Antonio Village, Toledo District, Belize. Bidders can participate in the meeting to address any queries about the bidding document or the scope of works. Persons who purchase packages are urged to attend.

10. The address referred to above is:

Contact: Ms. Ruby Pascascio Senior Procurement Officer Social Investment Fund 3rd Floor, #1902 Constitution Drive Belmopan Cayo District Tel: 822-0239/822-0508 E-mail: <u>ruby.pascascio@sifbelize.org</u> cc: <u>carlos.tun@sifbelize.org</u> <u>therese.arzu@sifbelize.org</u>



4 playoff teams to be decided Friday/Saturday in FFB's **National U13 Boys Elite Championship**

BELIZE CITY, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022

Under the supervision of the Football Federation of Belize (FFB), the ten (10) country regions have been divided into two groups of 5 in the National U13 Boys Elite Championship 2022, and each teams gets to play 4 games in the First Round of the competition, which culminates this Friday and Saturday with all 10 teams seeing action in Week 4. After that it will be on to the 4-team Semifinals, featuring the top 2 teams from each group. (In a slight departure from the competition format so far where all games were played on Fridays, the Week 4 games are being shared between Friday and Saturday of this week. See schedule below.)

Below are the Week 3 games results from last Friday, August 12, followed by the resulting team standings going into this coming Friday's decisive Week 4 games.

Week 3, Friday, August 12 results

(Carl Ramos Stadium, 2:00 p.m. kickoff) Stann Creek defeated Benque Viejo, 1-0, with a goal from Jayden Martinez (32').

(Isidoro Beaton Stadium, 10:00 a.m.) Belmopan and San Pedro played to a 0-0 draw.

(Norman Broaster Stadium, 2:00 p.m.) Cayo dropped Mid-South, 5-1, with goals from Marlon Meza (19' & 41'), Cody Panti (44' & 57') and Jose Quintanilla (61'); while Ahman Flores (14') got the lone goal for Mid-South.

(Ricalde Stadium, 2:00 p.m.) Belize shut out Corozal, 4-0, with a goal apiece from Norman Munoz (12'), Barrack Morey (22'), Jacob Joseph (51') and Gillygion Nunez (57').

(Victor Sanchez Union Field, 2:00 p.m.) Toledo and Orange Walk drew, 0-0.



BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 17, 2022

The Yabra Mayor's Cup 15 & Under Football Tournament 2022, which kicked off with a Marathon back on Sunday, July 10, at the Yabra Football Field, will play its last two regular season games this weekend. In that Marathon final, the Yabra U15 had prevailed over Reality Youths U15. Those same two teams meet in the last Sunday of regular season.

The tournament involved 6 teams playing 11-a-side games with 35-minute halves, all games being played on Sundays, with the opener starting at 12:00 noon at the Yabra Field. Participating teams are: Poor & Famous, Third World, Jah Love, Reality Youth, Hattieville, and Yabra. The tournament is sponsored by Belize City Mayor, Bernard Wagner, and coordinator Jerome "Peeloff" Maheia says that after completion of this coming weekend's games, the 4 top-ranked teams will advance to knockout semifinals the following week.



players, (l to r) Kyle Hemsley, Larance Lambey and Raymond Bowen





U13 Elite action from Belize vs Corozal at Ricalde Stadium

National U13 Boys Elite Championship 2022								
Standings at Week 3, Friday, August 12, 2022								
GROUP - A	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Diff	Pts
Cayo	3	3	0	0	13	3	10	9
Stann Creek	3	3	0	0	5	0	4	9
Toledo	3	0	2	1	1	5	-4	2
Mid-South	3	0	1	2	2	9	-7	1
Benque Viejo	3	0	0	3	1	10	-9	0
GROUP - B	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Diff	Pts
Orange Walk	3	2	1	0	6	2	4	7
Belize	3	2	0	1	5	3	2	6
Belmopan	3	1	1	1	4	1	3	4
San Pedro	3	1	1	1	4	2	2	4
Corozal	3	0	0	3	4	10	-6	0

Upcoming National U13 Boys Week 4 schedule (home team named first): Friday, August 19 2:00 p.m. - Cayo vs Stann Creek - Norman **Broaster Stadium** 2:00 p.m. – Benque Viejo vs Toledo – Marshalleck Stadium Saturday, August 20 2:00 p.m. – Belize vs Belmopan – MCC Grounds 2:00 p.m. – San Pedro vs Orange Walk-Ambergris Stadium 2:00 p.m. – Mid-South vs Corozal – M.A. Stadium in Independence

Game 2 saw Jah Love shutting out Third World, 3-0, with goals from Asher Welch (1) and Cardinal Welch (2).

The nightcap was another big score for Reality Youth as they shelled Poor & Famous, 15-1, with goals from Brian Richardson (5), Dennis Nunez (1), Kennard

Below are the results of regular season games played so far.

Sunday, July 17 results

The opening game saw Reality Youths bombarding Jah Love, 17-2, with goals from Devin Nunez (1), Tyler Gentle (1), Gilyjon Nunez (2), Tyshawn Gillett (5), Brian Richardson (3), Rvan Davis (1), Kennard Armstrong (3) and Jermaine Williams (1); while both Jah Love goals were by Lachwell Frazer (2).

In game 2, Yabra shut out Poor & Famous, 7-0, with goals from Esmond Sanker (2), Calvin Thurton (2), Dion Broaster (2) and Leon St. Clair (1).

And in game 3, Hattieville dropped Third World, 7-2, with goals from Raymond Bowen (1), Kenyon Pratt (2), Andrew Moses (1), Kyler Lewis (2) and Shack Castillo (1); while Ali Flores (2) scored both goals for Third World.

Sunday, July 24 results

Game 1 was a 6-2 victory for Yabra over Hattieville. Netting 2 goals apiece for Yabra were Calvin Thurton (2), Esmond Sanker (2) and Raymond Gentle (2); while Hattieville got a goal each from Raymond Bowen (1) and Kenyon Pratt (1).

Armstrong (5), Kaylon Davis (1), Gilyjon Nunez (1), Tayshawn Gillett (1) and Edward Alvarez (1). The lone goal for Poor & Famous was by Jonathan Espinosa (1). Sunday, July 31 results

Only one game was played on this Sunday due to heavy rains, and it was Poor & Famous coming away with the 6-3 win over Third World. Shaking the net for Poor & Famous were Anthony Aguilar (1), Shawn Ramirez (1), Tyrone Swazo (1), Jacob Joseph (1) and Jonathan Espinosa (2); while Third World goals were by Devon Augustine (2) and Dean Belisle (1).

After two more rained out weeks, the tournament resumed with two games completed this past weekend.

Sunday, August 14 results

In the opener, Hattieville turned back Reality Youth, 5-1, with goals from Raymond Bowen (3), Larance Lambey (1) and Kyle Hemsley (1); while the only goal for Reality Youth was by Kennard Armstrong (1).

And in game 2, Yabra bombed Third World, 11-2, with goals from Esmond Sanker (1), Calvin Thurton (3), Christian Linares (3), Dion Broaster (1), Dion Meighan (1), Kyler Rocke (1) and Johanny Flores (1); while Third World got a goal each from Steven Patnett (1) and Dean Belisle (1).

In game 3, Poor & Famous won by default (3-0) over Jah Love.

Only two games are scheduled for this coming weekend since Jah Love has apparently dropped out and Third World is out of playoff Please turn to Page 37 contention. The results will determine the final standings



The old capital has a team – Port Layola FC!

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022

It's been a few years since Belize City fans have had a team that they can claim as their own in the **Premier League** of (PLB) competition. After FC Belize became inactive following the passing of owner Lionel Welch, the city lodged on to the BDF squad to



(l to r) Port Layola striker Shawn Young and San Pedro defender]Asrel Sutherland

carry their hopes in the tournament and at least provide a chance for fans to witness some PLB action. But with no BDF team in the recent Top League tournament, and none appearing in the return of the PLB, it was most welcome news that a group of city football stalwarts, following in the footsteps of Caesar Ridge FC who had gained some respect in the Top League, had come together to present Port Layola FC as our representative in PLB 2022-2023 Opening Season. And so far the team has held its own, to the delight of city fans. They drew their season opener with national champs, Verdes FC; suffered a burning 1-nil loss in injury time to Benque FC; and just this past Sunday in their first home game at the MCC, they managed to pull out a tough 2-1 win against national sub-champs, San Pedro Pirates FC. San Pedro dominated the action, but two first half goals from budding star striker, Shawn Young (6' & 43') were enough to overcome San Pedro, whose only goal was by Rayjan Jones (65').

According to team manager Leaton St. Clair, the club's management team consists of owners - Alex Underwood and Aisha Young; team manager - Leaton St. Clair; head coach – Marvin Ottley; and assistant coach – Julius Allen.

"Port Layola Football Club Mission Statement: To build a strong professional football club with a winning culture representing the City."

The weather should improve by Sunday for a beautiful day of football at the Barracks. Sunday, August 21

4:00 p.m. - Port Layola FC vs Wagiya SC - MCC Grounds

Verdes battled bravely but lost, 2-0, to Alianza

BELMOPAN, Wed. Aug. 17, 2022

Belize's Verdes FC gave a gallant effort, holding the powerful Alianza FC, champions of El Salvador, to a scoreless first half tonight at the FFB Stadium; but an early second half red-card ejection of defender Evral Trapp briefly destabilized a fairly cohesive Verdes defence, resulting in increased pressure from the Alianza attack; and they were rewarded when a hard grounder from the goal line got loose from Verdes goalkeeper/captain Woodrow West and was slammed in by Alianza striker Victor Landazuri at the 57th minute. A centering pass at the 67th minute resulted in a colossal header from close range by Alianza's veteran striker Rodolfo Zelaya to make it 2-0. But, despite the one-man advantage from the 47th minute onwards, Alianza could not get another cushion on the score, and almost saw the lead cut in half when Verdes' Edwin Bernal's header hit the cross bar at the 84th. Alianza just could not have their way against a resilient Verdes defense and the game got quite physical at times, resulting in another red-card ejection in injury time, this one to Alianza's Narciso Orellana. Nevertheless, the visitors came away with

a 2-0 victory, and it will be an uphill battle for Verdes next Wednesday for the return match in El Salvador.

In its first Concacaf Round of 16 encounter Verdes started with 6 foreigners and 5 Belizean nationals in their lineup, and they finished with 7 Belizeans and 3 foreigners; it might have been 8 Belizeans, but Evral Trapp had been ejected early in second half. Verdes lineup [Legend: Mexicao - MEX; Colombia - COL; Argentina – ARG; Paraguay – PAR]: goalkeeper #27 Woodrow West (captain); #88 Aaron Lopez; #80 PAR Mario Narvaez; #24 MEX Christian Ramirez Sanchez; #99 Evral Trapp (red card at 47'); #14 Darrel Myvett; #19 ARG Facundo Garnier (#11 Jahron Myvette at 51'); #33 MEX Edwin Villeda Bernal; #5 MEX Waldo Jimenez Medina (#7 Jesse August at 60'); #9 PAR Luis Ibarra (#17 Izon Gill at 78') ; #25 Krisean Lopez. Head coach - David Perez (Spain). Match referee was Selvin Brown (Honduras). Four players on the Verdes bench who did not see action in this match were: #22 goalkeeper Charles Tillett, #3 Norman Anderson, #18 Zion Ramos and #77

PLB enters Week 4 of 2022-2023 Opening Season tournament

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022

With much of the national focus these past few weeks centered on the international adventures of national champions Verdes FC, who surpassed CD Platense of El Salvador to reach the Concacaf Round of 16 against Salvadoran champions Alianza FC, the Premier League of Belize (PLB) has quietly embarked upon its 2022-2023 Opening Season with little fanfare.

After almost a two-year Covid-19 delay which was further aggravated by an elections dispute, the incumbent Ian Haylock led PLB executive is back in control, and from the three weeks of competition so far involving 8 teams, it appears like this will be another very competitive PLB tournament, unlike the previous "Top League" tournament that the FFB had organized to meet our Concacaf obligations, and which Verdes had swept in undefeated fashion.

There have been no lopsided scores recorded in the first 3 weeks of this PLB Opening Season competition. Here are the result summaries for those three weeks: WEEK 1 results

<u>Saturday, July 30</u> – San Pedro, 2-0, over Wagiya at Ambergris Stadium; Progresso, 1-0, over Bandits at Isidoro Beaton Stadium; Altitude, 2-0, over Benque at M.A. Stadium in Independence; and Verdes, 0-0, with Port Layola at Norman Broaster Stadium.

WEEK 2 results

<u>Saturday, August 6</u> – Altitude, 1-0, over San Pedro at Ambergris Stadium; and Benque, 1-0, over Port Layola at Marshalleck Stadium.

Sunday, August 7 – Verdes, 2-0, over Progresso at Louisiana Field; and Wagiya, 2-1, over Bandits at Carl Ramos Stadium.

WEEK 3 results

Saturday, August 13 – Altitude, 2-0, over Bandits at Isidoro Beaton Stadium. Sunday, August 14 – Verdes, 1-0, over Benque at Norman Broaster Stadium; Port Layola, 2-1, over San Pedro at MCC Grounds; and Wagiya, 1-0, over Progresso at Louisiana Field.

Premier League of Belize 2022-2023 Opening Season								
Standings at Week 3, Sunday, August 14, 2022								
TEAMS	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Diff	Pts
Altitude FC	3	3	0	0	5	0	5	9
Verdes FC	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	7
Wagiya SC	3	2	0	1	3	3	0	6
Port Layola FC	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	4
San Pedro Pirates FC	3	1	0	2	3	3	0	3
Benque Viejo FC	3	1	0	2	1	3	-2	3
Progresso FC	3	1	0	2	1	3	-2	3
Bandits SC	3	0	0	3	1	5	-4	0

Upcoming PLB Week 4 schedule:

Saturday, August 20

7:30 p.m. – Altitude FC vs Verdes FC – M.A. Stadium in Independence 7:30 p.m. – Bandits SC vs San Pedro Pirates FC – Isidoro Beaton Stadium Sunday, August 21

4:00 p.m. – Progresso FC vs Benque Viejo FC – Louisiana Field 4:00 p.m. - Port Layola FC vs Wagiya SC - MCC Grounds

Football great "Peru" Olivera passes

BELIZE CITY, Thurs. Aug. 18, 2022 We just received word at the sports

desk about the passing of a former football teammate, the great Rudolph "Peru" Olivera earlier this afternoon at his home on Santa Barbara Street. Peru had been ailing for some time and

Elaine, whose other younger brother Wayne "Hogman" Olivera, a stroke victim, also resides with her. Our sincere condolences to Elaine, Hogman and all the relatives and friends of our departed brother, the great Rudolph "Peru" Olivera. Rest in

was practically bedridden at home under the care of his older sister peace, brother, and to God be the glory!

and match-ups in the Top-4 knockout semifinal

playoffs, where it will be the #1 ranked team vs

Yabra Mayor's Cup 15...

Third World

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#4, and #2 vs #3.

Final regular season games schedule:

Sunday, August 21, starting 12:00 noon

Game 1 – Yabra vs Reality Youth

Game 2 – Poor & Famous vs Hattieville

Desmond Wade.

Congratulations on a great effort, Verdes FC!

The decisive 2nd leg match takes place next Wednesday, August 24, at the Estadio Cuscatlan in San Salvador.

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Yabra Mayor's Cup 15 & Under 2022 Standings at Sunday, August 14, 2022 TEAM L GF GA Diff Pts W D 3 0 0 24 4 Yabra 2 33 8 0 1 Reality Youth 2 Hattieville 0 1 14 9 Poor & Famous 2 0 2 10 25 2 20 Jah Love 1 0 5 -15

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Grandmother dies....

The burnt body of the resident of San Ignacio was found by her son. "This will hurt me for the rest of my life", he said.

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with her kids, but was unable to reach her mother. The victim's son, Rupert Henry, was called to the scene by neighbors from 18th Down Street and Swallow Drive, who saw the thick plumes of smoke coming from Wellington's house.

When he arrived, police on the scene were preventing the 34-year-old from entering the burning building. He managed to slip past them, he said, and saw his mother already dead on the floor of the house, as her body continued to burn.

It is reported that fire personnel extinguished the blaze, but Wellington, who was also reportedly a rice and beans vendor, had already passed away.

"She was already dead, and she was burnt up, completely naked, her clothes burnt off, all her hair everything -I saw her with my own eyes, and it hurt me very bad. We live in Cayo for many years, I'm 34, and that makes me 34 years here, and our system is not operating the way we want them to, because a fire engine truck come all the way from Benque to assist here when we have here in Cayo weh closer. The system needs to change and help us better than what they are doing, and my mom passed away right here," he said, pointing to the burnt patch on the ground where he saw his mother last night.

He said that she lived at the house with her grandson, but he was at his brother's farm at the time.

"I just want the public to know that I loved her, and she was a loving lady, beautiful, she was very nice, and the perfect cook. Other families, please, I'm asking you to learn from this and be safe." Henry said.

Henry went on to say, "This will hurt me for the rest of my life."

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God, who made them black and beautiful.

If someone doesn't like the way you wear your hair, if you want to please them you can change that with a trip to the barber. But if someone doesn't like that your head is hairless, if you wish these include arthritis or other limiting locomotion or structural issues, and medications people have to take for certain ailments. I think in such cases gentle prodding to get active shouldn't be considered out of line. The human being was built for movement, so we have to do our best there.

Ah, if it is known that the individual is suffering from no such ailment, what then — are we to just stand by and let them feed their tummies? What tools can a parent use to get their little bohgaz on the road to physical fitness? Can the parent call the child a couch potato, a hog, a slug? If it's for a good cause, shouldn't the parent put the belt to the boy who refuses to get their batam outdoors and clean the yard? Another grey area is mind things. Hard as it is to grasp, there are people who believe that gay is plain rudeness, not a chemical or wiring issue. This is one reason behind gay goading. Some feel that a good talking to will make a man turn away from his sin. I think we can settle on the fact that we cannot tell the inner motivations/inclinations of anyone, so goading just can't be a tool in the fight to save that crowd from their wikidnis.

From the Publisher

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A diaspora friend of mine last week e-mailed me some video footage of what looks like new weaponry developed by Lockheed Martin, an American company which specializes in military equipment. The weaponry was really awesome.

Around the same time, the American cable television channels were reporting that the Russians had suffered the destruction of seven of their warplanes, the worst such one-day disaster for the Russians since World War II.

It is reasonable to speculate that the Russian problem may have been caused by the Ukrainians' making use of all the high-tech weaponry they have been given by the Americans.

Meanwhile, the Russians have taken over the largest nuclear plant in Ukraine, and they are using said plant to store some of their war equipment. A successful Ukrainian attack on such a plant could result in massive nuclear catastrophe. Now all this is taking place for me around August 8, a day I was thinking may have been the anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima by the United States in 1945. I did an online search and found that the United States had dropped atomic bombs (one each) on Hiroshima on August 6 and on Nagasaki on August 9 of 1945.

Belizeans, you must note that the anniversaries of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were ignored by the American television stations we watch in Belize. Hundreds of Japanese died in the most horrible way you can imagine, and victims continued dying from the effects of the bombs for many years afterwards.

Now a loyal American may argue that the Japanese were refusing to surrender, months after Germany had fallen to the

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right to elect their own representatives to represent them in Legislatures, courts of law, or such institutions as may exercise control over that particular community.

5. We assert that the Negro is entitled to even-handed justice before all courts of law and equity in whatever country he may be found, and when this is denied him on account of his race or color, such denial is an insult to the race as a whole and should be resented by the entire body of Negroes.

6. We declare it unfair and prejudicial to the rights of Negroes in communities where they exist in considerable numbers to be tried by a judge and jury composed entirely of an alien race, but in all such cases members of our race are entitled to representation on the jury.

Bill Russell, who transformed pro basketball...

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Basketball League in 1961-62, but the A.B.L. was a secondary attraction.

7. We believe that any law or practice that tends to deprive any African of his land or the privileges of free citizenship within his country is unjust and immoral, and no native should respect any such law or practice.

8. We declare taxation without representation unjust and tyran[n]ous, and there should be no obligation on the part of the Negro to obey the levy of a tax by any law-making body from which he is excluded and denied representation on account of his race and color.

9. We believe that any law especially directed against the Negro to his detriment and singling him out because of his race or color is unfair and immoral, and should not be respected.

10. We believe all men entitled to common human respect and that our race should in no way tolerate any insults that may be interpreted to mean disrespect to our race or color.

11. We deprecate the use of the term "n****" as applied to Negroes, and demand that the word "Negro" be written with a capital "N." [Edited by author]

12. We believe that the Negro should adopt every means to protect himself against barbarous practices inflicted upon him because of color.

13. We believe in the freedom of Africa for the Negro people of the world, and by the principle of Europe for the Europeans and Asia for the Asiatics, we also demand Africa for the Africans at home and abroad. 14. We believe in the inherent right of the Negro to possess himself of Africa and that his possession of same shall not be regarded as an infringement of any claim or purchase made by any race or nation. 15. We strongly condemn the cupidity of those nations of the world who, by open aggression or secret schemes, have seized the territories and inexhaustible natural wealth of Africa, and we place on record our most solemn determination to reclaim the treasures and possession of the vast continent of our forefathers. Declaration 26 to 54 can be found at : http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/5122/ ?fbclid=IwAR0V9WsVcEj-0vZYD_tH-TOa-jrQvSbyUiKRS7MhsPlSLtODE <u>j1XU-I2IY0</u>

to please them you are limited to buying artificial hair, or cutting off your head.

There are some grey areas, and they are critical territory that we have to look at honestly. We really need to stop being so afraid to talk things over. One grey area is obesity. It's a grey area, because it isn't obvious what's behind ballooning.

Obesity is of national concern, because it is the cause of serious diseases that reduce an individual's quality of life, cut the length of lives, and drain the health resources of a nation. Naturally, no, obligatorily, the parent of a child that is on the road to obesity should nudge the child to ease up on the sugary foods, and get outside, away from the couch and the television.

There is obesity that individuals have no control over. There are a few internal health issues that can cause obesity, and The Celtics' streak of eight consecutive titles was snapped in Russell's first year as coach, but it took one of the N.B.A.'s greatest teams to do it. The 1966-67 Celtics had a 60-21 regular-season record, but they lost in the Eastern Conference playoff finals to the Philadelphia 76ers, who had gone 68-13 with a lineup that included Chamberlain, Luke Jackson, Chet Walker, Hal Greer and Billy Cunningham.

To be continued...

Full article can be found at: <u>https://</u> www.nytimes.com/2022/07/31/sports/ b a s k e t b a 11/b i 11 - r u s s e 11dead.html#:~:text=Russell%2C%20who% 20propeled%20the%20Celtics,not%20 say%20where%20he%20died.

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Americans and the Russians, and months after the German Nazi leader, Adolf Hitler, had committed suicide, along with his mistress, at the end of April of 1945.

The third Axis ally, Italy, had long since seen their Fascist leader, Benito Mussolini, run out of town by the Allies (the United Kingdom, the United States, and their allies such as the French Resistance forces.)

Searching the online information on the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings, I discovered that the United States had been obliged to get permission from the British before bombing the two large Japanese cities. How interesting, beloved.

It was also of great interest to me that Japan's Emperor Hirohito did not announce his nation's unconditional surrender, in a radio address, until August 15. Why did he take so long? All I can say is that the Japanese people have a historical culture of incredible militarism and bravery. If this is of interest to you, you should seek to read the novel SHOGUN, written by James Clavell, I believe.

The testing for all these nuclear weapons took place in islands in the South Pacific — beautiful, pristine creations of Almighty God. The damage to the environment was horrific. You can watch the television channels of the "developed nations" of the world, and they do not speak about this.

So now we are looking at this phenomenon they are calling "climate change." I'm not a scientist. But it seems to me logical to assume that the atmosphere above planet earth has been severely compromised by all these nuclear tests and bombings carried out by the "developed nations" of the world, the same ones who send their missionaries to us to drill us in Judeo-Christianity. In fact, Israel, supposedly the chosen people of God, became a nuclear power some years ago.

About fifteen or twenty years ago, I said to a very good friend of mine, that there are certain projects which are too big for Belize. My friend was vehement in his disagreement with my thesis. He did not feel anything was too big for Belize. A few days ago, I heard the PLUS TV Christians with the same type of thinking my friend had proposed to me: nothing was too big for Belize.

But Don Hector Silva, who is a strong PLUS supporter, called the show to disagree with the "big projects" people. He noted the Dan Davis story in the 1950s, the Dan Ludwig story in the 1960s (I think), and one other example which I don't remember presently, during the leadership of the Rt. Hon. George Price, when Mr. Price's caution definitely proved well-advised, as time went along.

I said to you last week that, personally, I am an anachronism. But where our world has reached today should be carefully studied by these younger generations who will make key decisions all over the planet. There are some valuable lessons in the coronavirus pandemic. If we insist on overwhelming The Jewel with projects and people from

all over the planet, we may have to stop and think things over. You can see that a few of us have gotten rich off big projects and big people. A few Belizeans get rich: you and I feel pain.

Toledo teen fatally stabbed...

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the Brodies main branch in Belize City, where he is employed as a graphic designer. They noted that he would usually be home by about 7:05 p.m., but that when 7:30 p.m. passed and he hadn't arrived home yet, they began calling him, but got no answer. At that point, they began to search for him along the route on which he usually walked on his way home.

When his two older brothers found him, he was lying in a face-down position in the vicinity of St. Anne's Anglican Primary School, and he was clutching two of his debit cards in his left hand, which was pressed against his chest. There were multiple stab wounds to his left forearm, his left bicep, the left lower side of his chest, and his left ear. Also, there were two stab wounds in the upper left side of his back. Virgilio Cus, one of the deceased's brothers, explained that his brother usually left home with several items in his possession-his phone, bag, and wallet, but he was found without any of them. His family members thus believe that his assailant's motive was robbery. Police were called to the scene, and Cus' body was transported to the Western Regional Hospital's morgue. The area where Cus was attacked is known for being one of the darkest areas in the city, where would-be robbers and assailants have waylaid passersby. "I heard stories today about the situation in that specific area. It's a very dangerous place, and persons have been

robbed and stabbed at that set location. I would like someone to install more lights. Some of the lights there are not working; it is very dark. Some lights or cameras would be good help, because this could've happened to anyone, like literally. It's a popular walking area for many people—from kids to adults, and anyone could have encountered that situation," said Virgilio Cus.

Wil Maheia, an activist in the Toledo District as well as a member of the Belize Territorial Volunteers ((BTV) and the Belize Progressive Party, expressed his condolences to Cus' family and his concerns about the safety of Belmopan residents via a social media post.

"My sympathies to the family! This hurts, it really hurts, this young man from remote Toledo [who] left us here in Toledo not long ago to go up to the city to get an education. And now this ... my heart bleeds mien ... hard working he was, believe in education, his family made sacrifices so that he could be up there in Belmopan, the nation's capital where this happens ... less than a mile from the PM's office less than a mile from the Police station, where is the protection for our people?" he asked. The Belmopan City Council also issued a press release in response to Cus' death: "The Belmopan City Council will continue to work even harder with all its partners, including the Belmopan Police Formation, with whom we have very good relations, to seek justice for this cruel act of violence. Your safety is our concern and priority," the release said.

FORTIS BELIZE

VACANCY OPERATION & MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN I

FORTIS BELIZE LIMITED (Formerly BECOL) is accepting applications for the post of OPERATION & MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN I.

FORTIS BELIZE LIMITED is a leading renewable energy generation company that operates the Mollejon, Chalillo, and Vaca Hydroelectric Plants. The main function of the company is to provide clean and reliable energy to BEL and as an extension the entire country of Belize. The company's foremost concern is the safety of its employees and the running of an environmentally sound operations by following the guidelines of the International Standards Organization, category ISO14001.

JOB DESCRIPTION:

As a key contributor of the Operations and Maintenance department would be responsible to monitor, control and maintain all generating equipment at Fortis Belize's power generating facilities under the supervision of a Senior Personnel. The O&M Technician I will work in periods of shift and on call rotation to ensure the highest level of plants availability and reliability. Participation in a cross-training program will be required to enhance career development. These training will include Power Plant Operation, Instruments & Controls, Electrical and Mechanical Maintenance.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Perform routine inspections and/or maintenance activities on equipment such as Controls, Transformers, Excitation Systems, Generators, Motors, Motor Controls, Three Phase Systems, High-voltage Switchgear, 125VDC Battery Systems and Hydraulic Systems.
- Conducts troubleshooting and calibration under the supervision of a Senior Personnel on Electrical, Mechanical and Instruments and Controls equipment.
- Under the supervision of Senior Personnel, conduct basic troubleshooting and repairs motor control center, switchgear, battery chargers, distribution panels and excitation systems.
- Start or stop generators, auxiliary pumping equipment, turbines, and other power plant equipment, and connect or disconnect equipment from circuits.
- Take readings from charts, meters and gauges at established intervals, and take corrective steps as necessary.
- Execute clearances, protective locking / tagging and performs high voltage switching on generator, and station service switchgear.
- Clean powerplant and equipment and maintain equipment such as generators, turbines, pumps, and compressors to prevent equipment failure or deterioration.
- Communicate with Senior operators to regulate and coordinate transmission loads and line voltages.
- Inspect operational data and logbook entries and communicate with other plant personnel, to assess equipment operating status.
- Record and compile operational data, completing and maintaining forms, logs, and reports.
- Monitors and operates all plant generation equipment from centralized and remote-control panels according to plant operating procedures.
- Assure compliance with all operating and safety procedures.
- Under the supervision of a Senior Personnel, conduct basic troubleshooting and repairs on control systems, flow switches, limit switches, pressure transducers and relays.
- Under the supervision of a Senior Personnel, conduct basic troubleshooting and repairs on mechanical systems, standby generators, compressors, motors.
- Must immediately report to a Senior Personnel all abnormalities or events encountered in the execution of a job which may adversely affect maintenance execution or deemed responsible for observed defect or malfunction.

QUALIFICATIONS:

 Associates Degree in Mechanical & Electrical Engineering and/or equivalent experience in relevant field.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Two (2) years work experience in related field is desirable.
- Knowledge of power plant or large industrial equipment and operating procedures desirable.
- Must be able to successfully complete the Operator Qualification Program in

policy defined period.

Key Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required:

- Possess a safety-first work attitude.
- Good reading comprehension and communication skills (written/verbal).
- Basic analytical and problem- solving skills
- Ability to work under pressure.
- · Willing to learn new skills.
- · Possess good organization and time management skills
- Good health and physical fitness.

SALARY: Dependent on Qualifications and experience

The successful applicant must reside in the San Ignacio\Santa Elena Town area or Benque Viejo Del Carmen Town. Application letters, accompanied by two (2) letters of reference, must be submitted by <u>September 5, 2022</u> to: <u>corporate@becol.com.bz</u>

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Deadline: (September 5, 2022)



