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**MINUTES OF THE 23RD MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 28TH AUGUST 2025 AT 9.00 AM**

- PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch
- The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour, Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs AND Acting Minister of Social Development, Education & Library, Youth and Culture, Mrs. Cora Richardson-Hodge
- The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley
- The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr. Cardigan Connor
- The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose Vanterpool
- Acting Attorney General, Mr. Ivor Greene
- Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster
- ABSENT: The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education & Library, Youth and Culture, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster
- The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge
- IN ATTENDANCE: Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers
- Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan
- Head of Governor's Office, Mr. Orlando Ames-Lewis

EX MIN 25/198

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 21st August 2025.

EX MIN 25/199

EX MEMO 25/154 Request for Drafting Legislation to Implement the Amended OECD Common Reporting Standard (CRS)

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The following persons joined the meeting:

Marisa Harding-Hodge, Permanent Secretary, Finance

Nordisia Lake, Director of International Tax Cooperation, Ministry of Finance

Council was briefed on the memorandum which seeks approval to instruct the Attorney General's Chambers to draft legislation to implement the amended Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development ("OECD") Common Reporting Standard ("CRS") in Anguilla. This will be in accordance with the updated international requirements for automatic exchange of financial account information.

Executive Council:

1. Noted the development of amended CRS legislation in line with OECD guidance;
2. Instructed the Ministry of Finance to prepare drafting instructions to provide for the amendments for the Amended CRS Legislation;
3. Directed the Attorney General's Chambers to commence drafting work in coordination with the Ministry of Finance-International Tax Cooperation Unit; and
4. Instructed the Ministry to carry out stakeholder engagement and consultation to ensure effective implementation and industry preparedness.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/200

EX MEMO 25/155 Amendment to the Commercial Registry Beneficial Ownership Registration System Act and Regulations- Approval for Public Consultation to Provide for Accessible Registers of Beneficial Ownership

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the memorandum which seeks Council's approval to release for public consultation the draft Bill entitled Commercial Registry and Beneficial Ownership Registration System (Amendment) Act, 2025 and the Commercial Registry and Beneficial Ownership Registration System (Amendment) Regulations, 2025, together with the Consultation Note issued by the Ministry of Finance.

Executive Council approved the release of the following for public consultation:

- i. Draft Bill entitled Commercial Registry and Beneficial Ownership Registration System (Amendment) Act, 2025;
- ii. Commercial Registry and Beneficial Ownership Registration System (Amendment) Regulations, 2025;
- iii. Consultation Note issued by the Ministry of Finance, as submitted to Council.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/201

EX MEMO 25/156 Refusal to Grant Work Permits

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Jo-Anne Hodge, Labour Commissioner

In keeping with Section 164(3) of the Labour (Relations) Act, 2018 the Premier and Minister of Home Affairs and Labour seeks to consult

the Executive Council before refusing to grant work permits. Council was provided with the details of each proposed work permit refusal.

Council noted the reasons for refusal of the following work permits:

[Redacted Text]

Council:

1. Noted section 164 of the Labour (Relations) Act 2018 containing the principles governing work permits;
2. Noted that in keeping with section 164 (3) of the Labour (Relations) Act 2018, the Honourable Premier and Minister of Home Affairs and Labour consulted with Executive Council before refusing to grant work permits; and
3. Considered and endorsed the proposal by the Honourable Premier and Minister of Home Affairs and Labour that the following persons be refused work permits on the basis of the foregoing information:

[Redacted Text]

ACTION: PS, HA; LAB, COMM; CIO; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/202

EX MEMO 25/157 Applications for the Permit of Permanent Residence

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the memorandum which seeks Executive Council's endorsement of the Minister for Immigration's recommendation to Her Excellency the Governor with respect to the applications for the Permit of Permanent Residence for nine persons.

Executive Council:

1. Endorsed the recommendation of the Honourable Minister of Immigration for submission of applications for consideration by Her Excellency the Governor, as it relates to the grant of Permanent Residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act 2000, for the following persons:

[Redacted Text]

2. Further agreed that the applicant must submit a valid Certificate of Good Standing from the Inland Revenue Department, before the permit of Permanent Residence is issued; and
3. Noted that granting of Permanent Residence does not exempt the recipients from the provisions of the Control of Employment Act, (Work Permit Regulations) and the Labour Regulations Act, 2018 nor will it entitle them to Belonger status until they have been residing in Anguilla for 15 years, or become a naturalized British Citizen in Anguilla. The individuals would become eligible for applying for Naturalization after two years of permanent residency being issued.

Action: CIO; PS, HA; HON PREM.

[Redacted Text]
