## ANGUILLA'S CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - 2ND QTR 2001 (Apr-Jun)

For the quarter ending June 30, 2001, the Consumer Price Index showed some stability. During this period, the price change was 0.66%. This rate is based on a new basket of goods, which were obtained from a Household Income & Expenditure Survey, which was conducted in 1998/99. This new basket for the CPI came into effect as of this year.

The largest movement occurred in the Drinks & Tobacco Item. This item saw a decrease of 4.0%, which reflects a 2.03% difference between the revised and the previously used weights. This difference can be attributed to the increase weight allotted to Cigarettes and Cinzano White.

Various items in Accommodation saw a significant increase in the weights assigned to them. This contributed to the decline of 1.7% resulting in a 1.8% difference in the two weights.

Household items weight was slightly increased. However, there was a significant increase in the weight assigned to Suite Upholstered, which may have caused a small decrease of 0.6%. This represents a 1.4% difference in the two weights.

The weights allocated to Transport & Communication were reduced. Specifically the weights assigned to Petrol, Airfare & Insurance were reduced. This could be the reason for the decrease of 1%, which signifies a 3.6% difference in the weights.

The Other Item saw a decrease of 1.8%, which shows a 2.80% difference in the two weights used. This can be attributed to education and Medical no longer forming part of the other or Miscellaneous Item.

The only increase 0.7% occurred in the food Item.

There was little or no change in the Fuel, Clothing & Footwear, and Medical categories.

Quarterly percentage in the Consumer Price Index and its item groups

		Revised			Previous	Revised	Difference
ITEM	<b>Weight</b> s	Weights	Mar-01	Jun-01	Jun 01/Mar01	Jun01/Mar01	In% Change
Food	344.6	321.2	100.6	101.3	0.49%	0.7%	-0.16%
Drinks & Tobacco	2.5	2.9	102.7	98.6	-2.00%	-4.0%	2.03%
Accommodation	118.2	171.5	101.8	100.0	0.01%	-1.7%	1.75%
Fuel	76.8	68.6	100.0	100.0	0.00%	0.0%	0.01%
Clothing & Footwear	36.0	30.7	100.1	99.9	-0.25%	-0.2%	-0.04%
Household Goods	96.9	97.3	99.8	99.2	0.78%	-0.6%	1.41%
Transport &							
Communication	249.4	235.3	102.5	101.5	2.63%	-1.0%	3.62%
Medical	25.0	30.9	100.0	100.0		0.0%	-0.01%
Education	14.7	9.9	102.1	100.0		-2.1%	2.10%
Services	20.0	16.4	100.0	100.0	-2.69%	0.0%	-2.69%
Other	12.9	15.3	99.9	98.1	0.95%	-1.8%	2.80%
ALL ITEMS	1000	1000	101.1	101.8	0.85%	0.66%	0.19%