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Canada introduces easier visa application process for Caribbean nationals ----- The Government of Canada has announced the opening of a new visa application centre (VAC) in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, making the process of applying for a visa to enter Canada "easier and more convenient."

The Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) has announced plans to expand its VAC network around the world to provide administrative support to applicants before, during and after their temporary resident application is assessed by a CIC immigration officer.

According to a release, VAC service agents are available by phone, email or in person to answer questions in local languages and to make sure that applications are complete.

"It is important to note that VACs are not involved in the decision-making process and are not authorized to provide applicants with advice about their visas," the statement said. *"Applications received through the VAC or online are processed on a priority basis and are typically finalized in half the amount of time of other applications,"* it added.

The Government of Canada said it plans to create new jobs and stimulate economic growth by attracting an increasing number of visitors and international students, as well as skilled temporary foreign workers and immigrants that "best respond to current and future labor market needs.

"For this reason, CIC strives to issue visas and permits as quickly as possible to facilitate travel to Canada," the statement said.

The latest announcement comes as Canada has imposed new travel requirements for nationals from two Caribbean Community (CARICOM) countries.

In Jamaica, the Canadian High Commission said new regulations, enforced by CIC which took effect last week, would affect nationals from Jamaica and Haiti wanting to visit, work or study in the North American country.

The High Commission said that nationals from these two CARICOM countries will be required to give fingerprints and photographic data when they apply for visas and permits.

Last year, Canada imposed new travel requirements on nationals from St. Lucia and St. Vincent and the Grenadines on the grounds of unreliable travel documents.

CIS said the changes would allow it and its partners *“to ensure that those seeking to visit Canada intend to return to their country of origin, rather than overstaying or committing other immigration violations.”*

The new measures were criticized by the governments of the two CARICOM countries, with St. Vincent and the Grenadines Prime Minister Dr. Ralph Gonsalves dispatching a four-page letter to his Canadian counterpart, Stephen Harper.

Liat CEO resigns ----- Prime Minister Dr. Ralph Gonsalves said the resignation of Ian Brunton, the chief executive of the regional airline, LIAT, has come at a most crucial time, but *“nobody is indispensable”*. Gonsalves, who is chair of the shareholder governments of the airline, said the matter would be discussed by the board of directors.

“He has tendered his resignation. Under his contract, I have been advised, that he has to give three months’ notice. Naturally, the board of directors will respond to say whether they are accepting it. But that is the factual situation,” Gonsalves told the Media.

Gonsalves said he had not spoken to Brunton since the announcement and is not in a position to comment on the reasons behind the decision of the Trinidadian top quit.

“I haven’t spoke to him. I have spoken to my director, that is St. Vincent and the Grenadines’ director, Mr. Isaac Solomon who is a very distinguished former public servant and now banker. He has given me his own opinion but it wouldn’t be proper for me to share it.”

Brunton's resignation comes as poor implementation of LIAT’s re-fleeting exercise over the past few weeks erased any profits that the airline hoped to make over the summer period – one of its busiest.

Asked about the implications of the resignation for LIAT, Gonsalves said, *“Nobody is indispensable.”*

But he agreed that the resignation comes as a crucial time for LIAT, which late last year unveiled a plan that it said would have taken the airline into the black.

“In my view, on the large strategic issue of wanting the re-fleeting, he has been focused but everybody has to be accountable,” Gonsalves said of Brunton.

“I have to be accountable to the people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Anybody who holds any position has to be accountable. I am not saying that my brother, Ian Brunton has not been accountable; I am saying as a general principle, everybody has to be accountable,” Gonsalves said.

The major shareholder governments of the airline are Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, St. Vincent and the Grenadines and Dominica.

LIAT, which flies to 21 destinations in the Caribbean, said reliable and efficient air transportation is essential for connectivity, mobility and accessibility within the region, and for some islands, LIAT provides the only air links with the rest of the region.

UPP still best fit for the country, says PM ----- “The UPP, now more the ever, is what this country needs.” That’s the message the United Progressive Party (UPP) will be pedalling to the electorate, according to Prime Minister Baldwin Spencer.

As the political machinery in the country shifts into high gear, Spencer told *the media* his party will seek a third term in office by persuading the electorate that the UPP will continue to move the nation in the right direction.

“We have to be moving forward and you need safe hands running the ship of state, and we believe that the United Progressive Party represents that,” Spencer said. *“We have the men, we have the women, we have the policies and programmes that will see us through whatever difficulties we have and keep us on the path of meaningful and sustainable development in Antigua & Barbuda,”* he added.

Spencer admitted that the nation has faced many “challenges” under his watch, and he is aware the Antigua Labour Party (ALP) will be placing blame on his administration.

“But we believe that we have laid the foundation for Antigua & Barbuda to move forward and we cannot allow a situation to develop where we are in the reversal mode,” Spencer said.

“The taste of the pudding is in the eating and, quite frankly, the UPP has delivered despite the many challenges that we have faced.”

The prime minister expressed confidence going into the 2014 general elections, and said he is excited about the slate.

“I am excited with the team. I honestly believe that it represents what the nation of Antigua & Barbuda needs now and going forward into the future.”

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-----> **Date set for voter re-registration** ----- A royal proclamation issued yesterday by Governor General Dame Louise Lake-Tack paves the way for the re-registration process, which is scheduled to begin on September 23.

Chairman of the Antigua & Barbuda Electoral Commission Juno Samuel told *the media* the commission met with the political parties on Monday to explain the process.

“We are going to do mass registration at the Multipurpose Centre,” Samuel said. *“After the initial thrust, which will be from September 23 to October 25, a list will be published of all those persons who registered. Thereafter we go to continuous registration in each of the 17 constituencies,”* Samuel added.

Re-registration will take place from 7 am to 7 pm daily. All eyes are now on the Antigua Labour Party (ALP). Political Leader Gaston Browne, last week, threatened legal action after reports of the commission’s intention to begin the re-registration process.

"We are going to court to stop the de-registration. What they are trying to do is take a number of Commonwealth citizens off the list," Browne told the media at that time.

Among other claims, Browne accused Samuel of "evident bias," which he said the ALP will test in the courts. The opposition leader added that his party is already testing the legitimacy of several amendments to the Representation of the People (Act), which were made in 2011.

UAE donation adds to ambulance stock ----- Antigua & Barbuda is the recipient of 13 mini ambulances donated by the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The three-wheel moped-style vehicles were offloaded from a 40-foot container yesterday at the old Holberton Hospital compound.

"They were not designed to replace an ambulance. The whole idea is to utilise them in scenarios where you cannot get the larger ambulance into crowded areas, so that the patient can receive initial care before they can be transported to hospital via the ambulance," a source said.

Each mini ambulance, which runs on three wheels, can hold a patient and two medics. The vehicles will also have basic medical equipment.

Set on a chassis towed by a 250 cc engine, the mini ambulance is built for emergency situations.

"God forbid there is a shooting or chopping where the patient is bleeding badly, for instance during a Carnival, Sailing Week or an event held at the stadium, then the bikes will be ideal to navigate large gatherings without putting patients in jeopardy due to delayed first aid because the emergency personnel can't get the larger ambulances to the injured person," the source added.

Of the 13 moped ambulances delivered, only one is fully assembled. Local technicians must assemble the others in time for the official handing over, scheduled for a few weeks from now. Grenada received a similar donation of 10 mini ambulances, which were commissioned last week.

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Officers Honoured For Long-Service ----- A number of Police Officers within the Rank and File of the Royal Police Force of Antigua and Barbuda were recipients of "Long Service & Good Conduct" Awards, during their just concluded Police Week of activities.

Police Week this year was celebrated from the 1st to 7th September, under the theme: "Working Together as One for a Safer Nation."

This award ceremony which took place on Thursday 5th September at Government House, saw a total of nineteen officers; both from the Regular and Fire Departments been bestowed with this prestigious Award. All of these officers have served the organization for more than thirty-two years; some of whom are now retired.

The Awardees ranges from the ranks of Corporals to Superintendents, and are as follows:

Superintendent of Police: Nuffield Burnette

Assistant Superintendents of Police: Glenroy Weekes and Clayton Davis

Inspectors of Police: Mary Greenaway-Davis; Dave Jackson; Avil Jacobs and Retired Inspector-Edred Pemberton

Senior Sergeants of Police: No. 361 Calward Nicholas; No. 123 Oswald Lewis and No. 396 Christopher Warren

Sergeants of Police: No. 2 Cecilia Francis; No. 414 Calvin Lewis; No. 355 Alban Farrell; No. 424 St. Paul Samuel and Retired Sgt. Eunetta Williams

Corporals of Police: No. 41 Juliene Browne-Malcolm; No. 408 Carlton Lewis; No. 249 John Pelle and Retired Cpl Bascus Davis

Around this time each year, the Police Awards Committee meets and nominates a number of officers to be awarded with the Long-Service and Good Conduct Medals. An officer is expected to serve for thirty years or more and exemplifies good conduct, in order to be considered eligible for this award.

Her Excellency, The Governor General of Antigua and Barbuda-Dame Louise Lake-Tack was present, and bestowed the honours.

Amnesty for squatters, says Lands and Agriculture Minister ----- Lands and Agriculture Minister Hilson Baptiste said at least 2,000 people are illegally residing on Crown lands in Antigua & Barbuda. But instead of getting tough on squatters, the Ministry of Lands is offering amnesty.

“If (we) were to get tough, we could drag at least 2,000 people to court tomorrow for illegally occupying and squatting on government land,” Baptiste said. *“We are giving an amnesty and asking people to come in now and regularise it.”*

Baptiste was, at the time, speaking on *Voice of the People*. In a subsequent interview with *the media*, he clarified that the offer of amnesty does not extend to people whose habitation is posing health and other problems, such as those in Perry Bay, Pigotts and Yorks Extension.

“We are talking about people living in lands around the country, in All Saints, Willikies, all around,” Baptiste said.

The timeframe has been listed only as “a short window,” with Baptiste saying his ministry would determine the length of the programme based on compliance. What the minister would say definitively was that once the grace period ends, penalties would kick in.

In some instances, the squatting dates back decades, with current residents having taken over from their parents and grandparents. The call for squatters to fly right will be obviously beneficial to the affected individuals, but it will also help government get a real handle on the problem. Baptiste admitted that his technicians only have a guesstimate on the number of squatters owing to limited manpower.

“I don’t think government, DCA or Lands Division have enough manpower to screen the whole island,” the minister said.

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ABDF gets much-needed donation from China ----- The country's disaster response capacity got a boost with the handing over of 14 heavy-duty vehicles to the Antigua & Barbuda Defence Force (ABDF).

The vehicles, which include 20-tonne trucks, wreckers, tow trucks, cranes, excavators, loaders and backhoes, were gifts from the People's Liberation Army from China.

Major Randolph Best, commanding officer for service support battalion, said hitherto the military relied on other agencies for support in times of disaster.

The ABDF was also beholden to others for the use of their heavy-duty equipment to maintain their premises and to provide support to others.

"We've never had this equipment. We have always had to rely on Public Works and Transport Board for these equipment which are usually pre-positioned at the National Office of Disaster Services whenever there's a threat of a storm, so within a disaster situation these vehicles would definitely help with our response and initial assessment," Major Best said.

He noted that ABDF is charged with providing manpower to NODS within two hours of any disaster. Major Best said as many as possible of the 200 officers would be trained to use and maintain the equipment.

Government Opens Free Pre-School In Greenbay ----- Prime Minister Dr. Hon Baldwin Spencer officially opened Government's third free pre-school on Thursday in Greenbay. The new school which can accommodate thirty students is located at the Greenbay Primary school compound.

Prime Minister Spencer, who is also the parliamentary representative for the area, said the institution which was opened in the community will help ensure that every child is exposed to early childhood education.

"It is at this level that you shape the future of these kids, and whatever happens at this level would determine their future, and so it is important that we get it right," Prime Minister Spencer said.

The pre-school joins Simon Bolivar, which opened in 2008, and Villa pre-school, which opened in March, as the government-run early childhood institutions.

Minister of Education Dr. Hon. Jacqui Quinn-Leandro thanked Trustee of the Mill Reef Fund Musette Morgan, who answered the call to assist the Board of Education with funding for the last two schools.

"Coming out of the Poverty Assessment Report, the next communities we are targeting certainly will be Potters, Pigotts, Lightfoot and surrounding communities. What we are concentrating on are the large, built-up communities," Quinn-Leandro said.

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Dave Ray receives “The Most Outstanding Educator 2013, Living Legend Award” -----

Veteran hairstylist, beauty consultant, author and entrepreneur, Dr. Dave Ray has been recognized among the top hairstylists throughout the United States.

Known throughout the haircare industry as the “Beauty Surgeon” for more than 20 years, Antiguan national Dr. Dave Ray, has received the prestigious award as “The Most Outstanding Educator 2013, Living Legend Award” at the 2013 Bronner Bros. International Hair Show, the largest hair show in the United States.

As part of an awareness campaign that highlights Ford Motor Company’s 10-year commitment to excellence, through its sponsorship of the Bronner Bros. International Hair Show, Ray will serve as a Ford Top 10 Ambassador for the next 18 months. The program features the top stylists in the haircare industry who are not only entrepreneurs but also community leaders and advocates who “go further”.

Ray was selected as one of 10 distinguished hair stylists whose talents, creativity and accomplishments were showcased and honored at a star studded ceremony in Atlanta last month.

The Bronner Bros. International Beauty Trade Show attracts thousands of beauty professionals from around the world and the Award Ceremony is considered “the Oscars” in the hair care industry, attracting a large celebrity following.

Dr. Ray’s creative talents were first recognized as a teenager when he was crowned Antigua and Barbuda’s first Mr. Teenage in 1985. Ray previously taught at the Christ the King High School then began his career in the local hair care and beauty industry and has owned several salons both in Antigua and Barbuda and the United States.

Ray has made several radio and television appearances including a cameo role in Chris Rock’s movie “Good Hair.” He is also a well-recognized spokesperson and self-published author in the area of hair, health, beauty and customer service and is currently working on his 7th book.

The “Beauty Surgeon” recently launched his signature line of tropically inspired hair care products called Beauty Werkz which are available in many fine salons throughout the United States. Ray has also developed his own power forums, master classes and training courses to help educate beauty professionals around the world.

In accepting this prestigious award, Ray thanked his parents, mentors and clients for helping him to stay on track over the past 28 years.

Dr. Ray holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Management. He also attained a PhD in Clinical Trichology from the University of Australia, an accreditation that is highly recognized in the Cosmetology industry. Ray has been affiliated with the Bronner Bros Show for more than 20 years and has been on the annual roster as an educator and competition judge. He is also chairman of all official African-American Beauty Competitions.

Minister of Finance lays foundation for investments from UAE ----- Minister of Finance, the Economy and Public Administration Hon. Harold Lovell has returned to the country from Dubai expressing confidence that the groundwork laid for Antigua and Barbuda to be considered for investment and as a service destination for the Emirates Airlines will materialize in the near future.

Mr. Lovell was invited to present at the inaugural Global Citizens Forum 2013 held at the Armani Hotel, Burj Khalifa in Dubai on September 12. The Global Citizen Forum is a platform

for exchange between relevant stakeholders in an effort to build awareness, educate and promote Global Citizenship as a way of life.

Mr. Lovell's topic was *Attracting Investment to Antigua and Barbuda*, during which time he highlighted key components of the Citizenship by Investment Programme.

While in Dubai, Mr. Lovell met with UAE's leading businessmen, including His Excellency Shiekh Tariq Bin Faisal Al Qassimi, chairman of Emirates Investment Group, and Mr. Raza Jafar, CEO of ENSHAA, the company behind landmark projects in Dubai such as the Palazzo Versace Hotel, Emirates Financial Towers, which entered the *Guinness Book of World Record* for developing world's largest automated car parking in Dubai, and the D1 tower, which is arguably the best high-rise residential tower in Dubai.

Mr. Lovell also met with executives of Dubai National Air Transport Agency (DNATA) and the Emirates Airlines to explore possibilities for airlift out of the UAE region into Antigua and Barbuda. There was a pledge by all of the parties to actively pursue hospitality projects in Antigua and Barbuda.

Mr. Lovell thanked President and CEO of the Arton Capital for extending the invitation to participate in the high-level Global Forum. More than 150 industry professionals from across the globe attended the session.

Among those in attendance were distinguished speakers from government agencies, leading financial and legal experts and industry professionals. Mr. E. Casroy James of James and Maginley Ltd., local partner of Arton Capital Group, accompanied the Honourable Mr. Lovell.

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World Travel Awards, Sandals Grande Antigua ----- Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority, Sandals Resorts International, Jamaica and American Airlines were among the top tourism industry stakeholders to emerge victorious from the World Travel Awards Caribbean & North American Gala Ceremony Saturday evening. The event, hosted by the Antigua & Barbuda Tourism Authority and Sandals Grande Antigua Resort & Spa, welcomed guests from across the region.

Joining guests of honour were Antigua & Barbuda Governor General Dame Louise Lake-Tack and Prime Minister Dr. Hon Baldwin Spencer. Also at the event were government ministers, chairmen, and presidents from the region's premier travel companies. In all nearly 400 top hospitality industry insiders were in attendance.

World Travel Awards celebrates its 20th Anniversary this year and is acknowledged across the globe as the ultimate travel accolade, celebrating those companies, organisations and brands that are pushing the boundaries of industry excellence in product and service. The Gala Ceremony had a line-up of stars, from co-hosts Walt Wiley and Samoya Kirby, to legendary band The Burning Flames, as well as the sensational Passion de Dance entertaining the guests.

"Sandals Grande Antigua Resort & Spa is honored to open its doors to the World Travel Awards for this distinguished occasion," said Gordon 'Butch' Stewart, Chairman, Sandals Resorts International. *"It is our pleasure and sincere privilege to extend Sandals' rich tradition*

of hospitality to our fellow leaders of the travel industry and invite all to enjoy our beautiful beachfront setting and all the amenities this wonderful resort has to offer.”

Headline Caribbean Awards winners included Grace Bay Beach, Turks & Caicos, which took the title of Caribbean’s Leading Beach Destination, while Jamaica walked away with the title of Caribbean’s Leading Destination. Caribbean’s Leading Hotel Brand once again went to Sandals Resorts International; Caribbean’s Leading Boutique Hotel went to Hermitage Bay, Antigua; and Caribbean’s Leading Golf Resort went to Casa de Campo in the Dominican Republic.

Special praise was also heaped on hosts Antigua & Barbuda, which walked away with the coveted title of Caribbean’s Leading Honeymoon Destination.

Graham E. Cooke, President and Founder, World Travel Awards said: *“The Caribbean & North America are fiercely contested regions for our World Travel Awards, and these Award winners continue to serve as an example of the most luxurious and innovative brands with unique hospitality products and services. Tonight’s recipients strive to set the highest possible bar to raise the standards of excellence in travel and tourism and it has been an honour to hold our ceremony here in Antigua.”*

Volleyball Fraternity Rocked By Stalwart’s Death ----- Former captain of the Antigua & Barbuda National Volleyball team Shauna Isaac was remembered as an “exemplary individual.” Isaac died suddenly on last Monday night, sending shockwaves throughout the country. She was seven months pregnant and her unborn baby also died.

Police reported that a 34-year-old woman from All Saints went to Mount St John’s Medical Centre twice after feeling unwell and died shortly after arriving at the hospital on the second occasion.

Coach of the National Volleyball team Ebron Gittens told *the media* Isaac’s former teammates are distraught.

“She was always an inspiration. She always had a friendly smile and encouraging words,” Gittens said.

He added that her death is a loss to the sporting fraternity. *“She has contributed to the development of volleyball in Antigua.”*

There was an outpouring of grief on Facebook, with teammates and friends expressing their thoughts and offering prayers for the family of the deceased.

“Although it’s difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow,” one person wrote.

“Love you so much, Sis. Still in disbelief why, why, why? I need to know why. No longer the four stooges; only the three stooges remain. I miss you like crazy; never thought I’d see this day anytime soon. Love you so much ... don’t know what the future looks like for us without you around,” another person wrote.

Another post said, *“Shauna, you will be missed. I remember all the good times we had as friends. I couldn’t believe the news when it reached me. God knows best. Condolences to your family, friends and loved ones. May your soul rest in peace.”*

Isaac served as secretary of the Volleyball Association and she also coached the junior team. A post-mortem will determine the cause of death.

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Saturday, September 21, Antigua & Barbuda -- All Saints Secondary School **50th Anniversary Banquet and Award Ceremony** takes place on **Saturday, September 21, at Copper and Lumber Restaurant**, Nelson's Dockyard, Antigua & Barbuda at 7:00 pm. Contribution: \$160.00. Contact: Ms. Joseph 1268-725-1568 or the School 1268-460-1009 or any teacher of the School for tickets.

Friday, September 27, 2013, Teaneck, New Jersey --- The Rotary Club of Teaneck invites you to attend a **Harvest Ball, Friday, September 27, 2013** at 7 pm at **Teaneck Marriott at Glenpointe, 100 Frank W.Burr Boulevard, Teaneck, NJ 07666**. Proceeds to benefit various projects including- Desks and Chairs for a School in Antigua; Bio-sand filters to provide clean water for families in Haiti. For information call: Ellsworth James 201-837-0316 and Vanessa Armstrong 201-336-2298

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Saturday, September 28th, Philadelphia, PA ---- **The Antigua and Barbuda Association of Philadelphia** presents the 3rd Annual Dinner Dance on **Saturday, September 28th at Calabash Banquet Hall**, 6208 Lancaster Ave, Philadelphia, PA. Five hour open bar... Music...Come out from 8pm to 1am and enjoy an elegant evening with us. Tickets are \$85 per person, \$160 per couple. Please contact Hadassa at 267-934-5853 for tickets or additional information.

Saturday, October 5th, 2013, Holberton, Antigua ---- **St John Hospice** is holding its annual fundraiser **WASH YOUR FOOT & COME** at the **Hospitality Training Institute on Saturday, October 5th at 7pm**. Tickets are \$130 on sale at Gwynneth O'Reilly, Holberton 562-8221. Dinner prepared by members of Hotel Training Inst. Old time calypso music by Chickie Hi Fi. Great door prizes and silent auction of art works.Come out and support a good cause.

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Saturday, November 2, 2013, Toronto, Canada ---- **The Antigua and Barbuda Association of Toronto Annual Independence Anniversary Banquet** on **Saturday, November 2, 2013** at **Claireport Place Banquet and Convention Centre, 65 Clairport Crescent, Etobicoke**. 7pm to 2:00am. Tickets - \$75 per person. Contact Yvonne James: 416 609 9618 (president@abatonline.com), Eric Delfish 416 412 2035 (abatpro@gmail.com)"

Saturday, November 16, 2013, New Rochelle, New York ---- **Antigua and Barbuda Independence Promotions**, Under the auspices of the Consulate General New York, presents the **Annual Antigua and Barbuda Independence Gala on Saturday, November 16, 2013** at **The Surf Club of New Rochelle** from 8 PM to 1 AM. Contact 646-215-6043/7 for more information

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