

HOMELESS WOMAN DIES IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

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The Rotary Club of Antigua's members began the celebration of their 50th anniversary with worship on Sunday at the Holy Family Cathedral. *Story on page 8*

Unidentified woman becomes latest road fatality

An unsheltered woman has become the country's eighth road fatality this year.

She was struck by a motor vehicle early Sunday morning on the Friar's Hill Road.

Head of the Traffic department, ASP Rodney Ellis, said the woman, who often slept on the bench at the bus stop near the St. John's cemetery, died on the spot.

Ellis said the identity of the victim is unknown as she was without any identification

The police are waiting for a relative or acquaintance of the woman to come forward to make a formal identification.

Ellis would only confirm that she died following the accident and that the driver of the motor vehicle was a young man who was traveling south to north at the time of the incident.

He also withheld the identity of the driver and would only confirm that the driver is in his twenties.

The Traffic Department boss would not comment on



whether or not speed was a factor in the accident.

He is, however, appealing to anyone who knows

the identity of this woman to come forward and assist the police in their investigation.



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Bench warrants for two customs brokers vacated

Two bench warrants issued by Chief Magistrate Joanne Walsh for the arrest of two customs brokers charged with fraud have been vacated after they hurriedly appeared in court last Friday.

Court sources say the Chief Magistrate issued the warrants after two of the three defendants charged following a two-year investigation into a fraud scheme at the customs division failed to appear in court when the case was called.

According to the sources, the Chief Magistrate had set two dates for hearing in the case: 2nd September for a disclosure hearing in which all three defendants were expected to be in court and 5th October when committal hearings will begin.

When the hearing began last Friday, however,

and two male accused – Foston George and Rowan Christian – were a no-show, the bench warrants were issued.

Two hours later, the warrants were vacated when the Chief Magistrate heard submissions from defence attorneys Andrew Okola and Wendel Robinson. The other accused – customs officer, Joezine Christian – appeared in court as expected.

The trio are accused of involvement in a scheme that has robbed the government of \$25,000.00.

Defence attorney Robinson has indicated that he will likely tender further submissions to the court with the goal of having the case thrown out to avoid what he terms an “unnecessary and protracted high court trial” which he does not believe is in anyone’s interest.



Antigua Cruise Port

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Maintenance and Engineering Manager

JOB SUMMARY

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Essential Skills and Knowledge

1. Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering or a closely related field.
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Director of Operations and Projects

JOB SUMMARY

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Essential Skills and Knowledge

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Local News

Case against prison officer adjourned...again

The attorney for the prison officer facing several charges related to drug possession, has been successful in getting one of the charges withdrawn and the hearing of the others adjourned until later in the month.

The case against junior prison officer, Howard Segree, resumed on Friday at the St. John's Magistrates' Court with Magistrate Conliffe Clarke presiding.

Segree is charged with possession of 43 grams of cannabis and possession with intent to transfer.

The possession charge was withdrawn based on the hearing of preliminary submissions made by his attorney, Wendel Robinson, however, he still faces the charge of conveying contraband into the prison and possession with intent to transfer.

The case has been adjourned sev-



eral times as a result of submissions being made by the defence.

At Friday's hearing, attorney Robinson objected to an analyst report being tendered into evidence. Consta-

ble Stefan Jacobs, who is attached to Barbuda Police Station, gave evidence that he was instructed by the investigator to serve the analyst report, and
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To: Your Worship
 St. John's Magistrate Court
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Date 28th day of August, 2022

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Recalled liquid laxative discovered in A&B

The global recall of Magnesium Citrate Saline Laxative Oral Solution extends to Antigua and Barbuda where the products have been identified the Prices and Consumer Affairs Division has advised.

The over-the-counter laxative is used to treat constipation.

Now the Central Board of Health is moving to remove the items from pharmacies and other shops that may have it in stock due to microbial contamination.

“Preliminary investigations by the Prices and Consumer Affairs Division have revealed that the recalled laxative is in Antigua and Barbuda and we are advising consumers not to consume this product,” the department warned.

Consumers can either discard the items or return them to the place of purchase for a full refund.

According to the manufacturer, Vi-Jon, LLC, the recalls include all lots of Cherry Flavour and Grape Flavour



of Magnesium Citrate Saline Laxative Oral Solution, 10 FL OZ (296 mL) within expiry date 12/23. The lemon flavour was recalled earlier.

The announcement for the removal of the products was initiated after Vi-Jon, LLC's third-party microbial testing identified the presence of *Gluconacetobacter liquefaciens*.

According to the manufactur-

er, immunocompromised patients, who consume this product, may be at increased risk for invasive infections caused by *Gluconacetobacter liquefaciens* that could lead to serious, life-threatening adverse health consequences.

To date, Vi-Jon, LLC is aware of 3 (three) reports of serious adverse reactions potentially related to the recall.

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the notice of intent, in order to tender the report into evidence.

But as the prosecution readied itself to tender the report, Robinson told the

court that the analyst report could not be tendered through Jacobs as both the analyst and the police failed to comply with certain sections of the Evidence Amendment Act No.8 of

2009.

Magistrate Clarke adjourned the hearing and gave both the defence and prosecution one week - a week apart between each - to file written submissions

which will be important in determining whether the charge of possession of the 43 grams of cannabis with intent to transfer can stand.

The case has been adjourned until the 19th September when the court will rule on the submissions.

It is also expected that the prosecution will close its case at this time. On 1st June, 2021, Segree was searched while in uniform as he entered the prison with a flask in his hand that is alleged to have contained the drugs and tobacco.

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Local News



TS Earl moving away, rain expected until today

On Friday, the tropical system AL91 that was under surveillance, became Tropical Storm Earl as it moved east of the Leeward Islands late Friday.

As of Sunday evening, the Antigua and Barbuda Meteorological Service reported that Earl remained to the east, well away from the Leeward Islands, and continued to move along a northerly course until Tuesday.

The very welcome rain, and accompanying cloudiness are expected to continue well into today.

According to the Florida based National Hurricane Center, a very slow-moving Earl was forecast to bring between 2 – 4 inches of rain to the Eastern Caribbean.

Storms are named after reaching wind speeds of at least 39 mph. Earl's maximum sustained winds at 11am on Sunday were near 50 mph.

While no weather-related warnings or watches have been issued for the region, forecasters warned that flash flooding and gusty winds, especially in squalls, were possible over the islands throughout the weekend.

Residents of Puerto Rico, which faces the possibility of rainfall of up to six inches, have been warned that mudslides in areas of steep terrain could occur.

The National Hurricane Center said on Sunday that computer models suggest that Earl will eventually become a

hurricane over the open ocean.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Danielle is drifting around, trapped by a blocking high-pressure system. It will slowly begin moving in the next couple of days and be captured by the northern jet stream. Its remnants could affect the British Isles.

Another disturbance that has developed off the African coast is also now being monitored. In a few days, it might develop into at least a tropical depression, however, the National Hurricane Center says, for the moment, the chance of that happening is low. It will eventually make its way into the central Atlantic, but is unlikely to ever develop into a threat to land.

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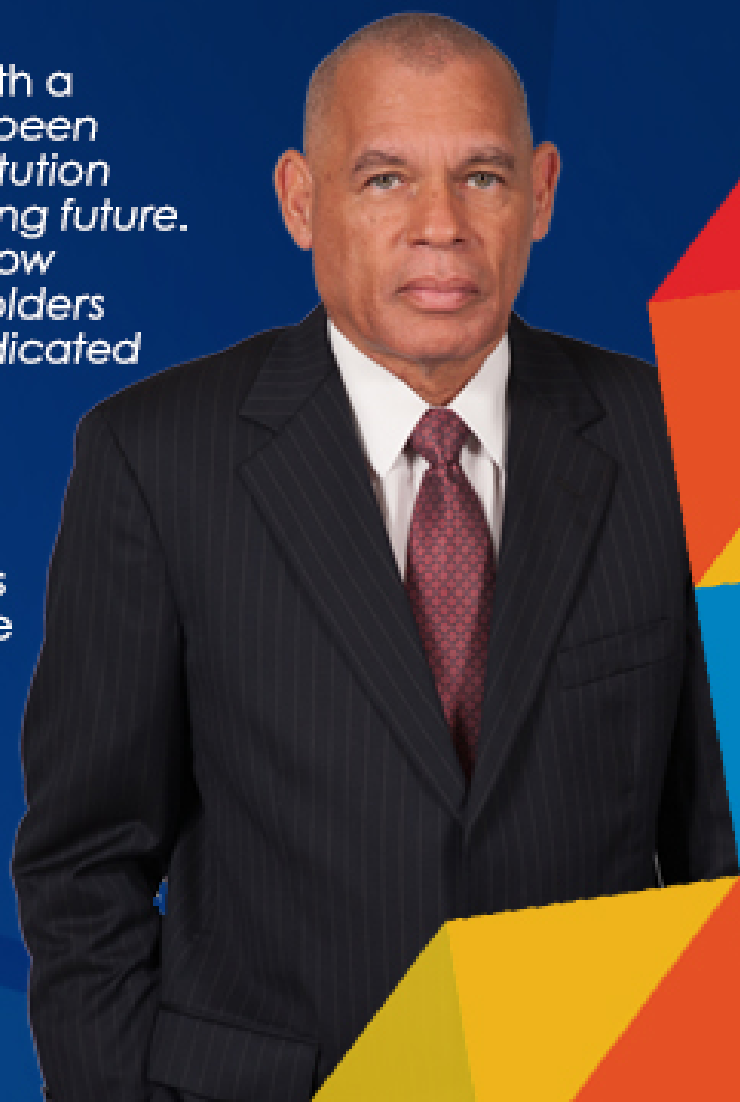
Following over thirty-five (35) years of association with the ACB Caribbean Group, ACB Mortgage & Trust Company Limited announces the retirement of its Chairman, Peter L. Blanchard, from its Board of Directors, effective September 4, 2022.

Mr. Blanchard's sterling contribution to the ACB Caribbean Group has been well documented, having previously served as Vice - Chairman of the ACB Caribbean Board of Directors from October, 2008 to February, 2016, following his election to the Board in May 2005. During his tenure, he also acted as Chairman of the Credit and Investment Board Sub - Committees.

He has served in various capacities and for varying periods on the Trust Company's Board, since its inception in 1987.

When asked to mark his retirement with a few words, Mr. Blanchard said *"It has been a great honor to have served this institution with such a proud history and promising future. I take this opportunity to thank my fellow Directors and the Company's Stakeholders to include its loyal customers and dedicated employees, for their support throughout my tenure."*

ACB Mortgage & Trust Company pays tribute to Mr. Peter L. Blanchard on the occasion of his retirement.



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Local News



The Rotary Club of Antigua celebrates 50th Anniversary

The Rotary Club of Antigua will celebrate its 50th Anniversary on September 10th, under the theme “50 Years Strong Serving Humanity”.

The celebratory year commences with a week of activities from 4th - 10th September, 2022.

On September 4th, the members gathered to give thanks for fifty years of unbroken service to the community by fellowshiping at the

Holy Family Cathedral. The location of the service was of great significance to the club as the Catholic Church was where the first members worshipped to bless the charter of the club in 1972.

On Tuesday, September 6th, in the spirit of giving back, the club's members will volunteer at the Fiennes Institute where care packages, lunch and entertainment will be shared with the residents.

The club will also host a special meeting at Rotary House on September 7th, where the hard work of its members who have attained five, ten, and fifteen-year milestones of service will be recognised.

Thursday, 8th September will see the club's members visiting various secondary schools to educate youngsters about the joys of volunteerism and the impact they can make in their communities by providing service to others.

To officially honour the chartering of the club on September 10th, a banquet will be held at the Sandals Grande Resort and Spa.

Special guests who will be in attendance include the members of the Sponsoring Rotary Club, the Rotary Club of St. Kitts, the Governor General, Sir Rodney Williams, and Prime Minister Gaston Browne.

Special awards will also be distributed to long-standing members who have served twenty or more years in the club.

Over the past fifty years, the club has completed a diverse range of projects which have all made a significant impact on communities across the country including in the areas of education, sports, medical, social and community care.

Some projects, such as Meals and Wheels, have been ongoing for three decades

while others like the Computers for the World and Sewing Programmes, have been underway for several years.

The Club sponsored its first Rotaract Club, the Rotaract Club of Antigua on December 5th, 1986, and the Interact Clubs of St. Joseph's Academy and Christ the King High School.

As well as making an impact on the community in its fifty-year history, the Rotary Club of Antigua has boosted tremendous fundraising events and has become known for its major carnival fete “Colors”.

Speaking to its future endeavours in a press statement, the club said, “This Rotary year, the Rotary Club of Antigua will focus on projects in support of the fight against childhood obesity, empowerment programme for single mothers raising young boys, and the construction of a school of pan at the Irene B. Williams School.

“The Rotary Club of Antigua continues to provide members with the opportunity to give back to the community by providing service above self.

“The Club is proud to have past presidents and Rotarians who have contributed to building and steering the club over the past fifty years. They continue to support, guide and motivate the club to achieving more and better for our community.”

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Qualifications/Requirements

- At least 5 CXC subjects including Maths and English
- Good interpersonal and communication skills
- Self-motivated with desire to excel in sales
- Willingness to learn and continuously build product knowledge
- Computer literate
- Previous experience in retail sales would be an asset

VAN SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Key Responsibility

To drive, sell and provide the full merchandising service of the selected range of products represented and distributed by the company to our wholesale (resellers) and customers.

Qualifications/Requirements

- At least 5 CXC subjects including Math and English
- Possess a valid "D" driver's licence
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Strong organizational and customer service skills
- Computer literate
- Able to work independently with effective time management skills
- Previous experience in this or similar field would be an asset

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Key Responsibility

To perform the daily physical duties of the warehouse operations, storing all incoming inventory, maintaining orderly stock shelves, keeping the warehouse clean, picking and packing of goods to fulfill wholesale and customer pick-up requirements.

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- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Computer literate
- Able to work independently with effective time management skills
- Able to lift weight of 50 pounds or more
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- Ability to operate a forklift would be a plus

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- Bachelor's Degree in Business Management or related field
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Key Responsibility

To install, repair and service tyres, wheels and/or batteries on customer's vehicles, balance wheels and perform wheel alignments as assigned by the Service Centre Manager, according to established procedures and practices in a safe, prompt and professional manner.

Qualifications/Requirements

- At least 5 CXC subjects including Math and English
- Relevant certification in auto mechanics
- Working experience in this field would be an asset
- Good written and verbal communication skills
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- Willingness to learn

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Key Responsibility

To prepare warrants for Outdoor World Limited and its divisions; to clear goods from ports of entry and ensure delivery to the businesses

Qualifications/Requirements

- At least 5 CXC subjects including Maths and English
- Good interpersonal and communication skills
- Must be familiar with the tariff codes, laws, rules and regulations of Customs
- Proficient in the use of Microsoft Office
- Must possess a valid driver's licence (having a "D" licence would be a plus)
- Previous brokerage experience would be a plus

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Opinion



Only just big guns

By Tony Deyal

When the West Indies Federation failed, Guyana took a shot at being the first country to become independent but this was shot down by the British. Of the two countries anxiously waiting in the wings, Jamaica was the first and quickly jumped the gun on Trinidad and Tobago (T&T) or, as the sports commentators would say, “bolted” into the lead. Jamaica became an independent country on August 6, 1962 while T&T had to wait until August 31st. While Jamaica had Bustamante, bauxite and yellow gold, T&T had Eric Williams, natural gas and black gold. What they both had in common was crime. Worse, regardless of the country, it had only just Big Gun.

When Jamaica gained independence in 1962, the murder rate was 3.9 per 100,000 inhabitants, one of the lowest in the world. In 2005, Jamaica had 1,674 murders, a rate of 58 per 100,000 people, the highest in the world. In T&T, during my school-days, the police did not carry guns, and the majority of “bad johns”, or men “willing to use violence” initially had sticks, knives, knuckle dusters and cutlasses. By 1959, this was rapidly changing for the worse. Calypsonian, the Mighty Sparrow, sang “The Gunslingers” which started with, “Sparrow selling guns nowadays/ That’s what really pays” and then went on to describe the transition, “Nearly

every young man is a gun slinger/ With his razor and his steel knuckle on his finger/ Don’t mind they dress in suit and bow tie/ All of them looking for guns to buy.”

The statistics tell the rest of the story. In 1998, there were 7.6 murders per 100,000 in Trinidad and Tobago. In 2002 there were 13.6 per 100,000, and by 2005, the rate was 30.7 per 100,000. Less than Jamaica but clearly heading for higher heights.

Interestingly, the killing was not limited to the criminals including, or especially, the police. In 2009, a Trinidad newspaper headlined, “Funeral homes make a killing”. This went way beyond the rubric of the National Rifle Association (NRA) of the U.S. that “guns don’t kill people, but people kill people”. Actually, in addition to the undertakers, others making a killing from the killings are gravediggers, hearse drivers, flower-shop owners, tailors, and last, but certainly not least, the gun sources and resources throughout the Caribbean and elsewhere including importers, exporters, sellers, renters, makers, go-betweens and other facilitators, especially the customs and police at all levels in every Caribbean country. Earlier this year, I did a quick check of “Police Officer Charged...” for various crimes. Under Jamaica I got twelve million, two hundred thousand (12,200,000) in .48 seconds. Barbados came up



Tony Deyal

with 1.66 million in 46 seconds and Trinidad with 3.6 million. In Trinidad, police killings being probed by the Police Complaints Authority reached 106 cases in March this year. According to the British paper, “The Guardian”, using statistics from Amnesty and Indecom (the Independent Commission of Investigations) the police watchdog body, found that since 2000, members of the Jamaican constabulary force (JCF) have allegedly killed 3,000 people.

Then I looked in the World Population Review for the latest figures for “Crime Rate by Country.” Heading the list at 83.76 deaths per 100,000 people was Venezuela, one of the major suppliers of guns to T&T. Number six on the list is T&T itself at 71.63 and, for what is the first time, above Jamaica which, at number 10, has gone down to 67.42. The review ex-

plained that Trinidad has the sixth-highest crime rate in the world because of bureaucratic resistance to change, negative influences of gangs, drugs, economic recession and an overburdened legal system. It added, “There is a great demand for illegal weapons as well, which drug trafficking and gang-related activities fuel. Trinidad and Tobago has a Level 2 travel advisory, meaning that travelers should exercise increased caution. Visitors are typically victims of pickpocketing, assault, theft, and fraud.”

For the first time Trinidad has “beaten” Jamaica in the murder stakes. However, the Review sees Jamaica’s ongoing problems as being plagued by government corruption, gang activity and high levels of violent crime including sexual assault. In 2017, just five years ago, the countries with the highest

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homicide rates included Jamaica at second place, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines at seventh, and St. Kitts and Nevis at ninth. T&T was not in the top ten.

This is why one of my U.S. based friends called me when he saw that the Prime Minister of Jamaica had come to T&T for Independence. "Tony boy," he said with a laugh, "I know why he reach in Trinidad. He come to take back his country's place in the world record. He really must be upset that T&T is now higher than his country." I was aghast and upset. "How can you even think of something like that?" I asked. "You know that thousands of guns sold in the US are coming to Jamaica. Some come through Haiti. Even Barbados is worried by a spike in gun-related murders." He asked, "You don't think I know that? You don't think I am worried about my family in Jamaica and my friends like you in Trinidad where guns and people come from Venezuela which now heads the world in murders?"

I told him that I was glad to see he was concerned and that the Jamaican Prime Minister had made some very important points including that Jamaica is facing a challenge that illegal guns are coming through legal ports and that "speaks to a high level of possible corruption in the court and customs system." He agreed, "I understand that. They have to have guards to guard the guards and then more guards

to guard the guards guarding the guards. But the Prime Minister as Head of Government should know that the major cause of the murders in Jamaica, like the guns coming in, is that it is plagued by Government corruption and he has not said anything at all or, worse, not done anything significant about that. Trinidad is the same."

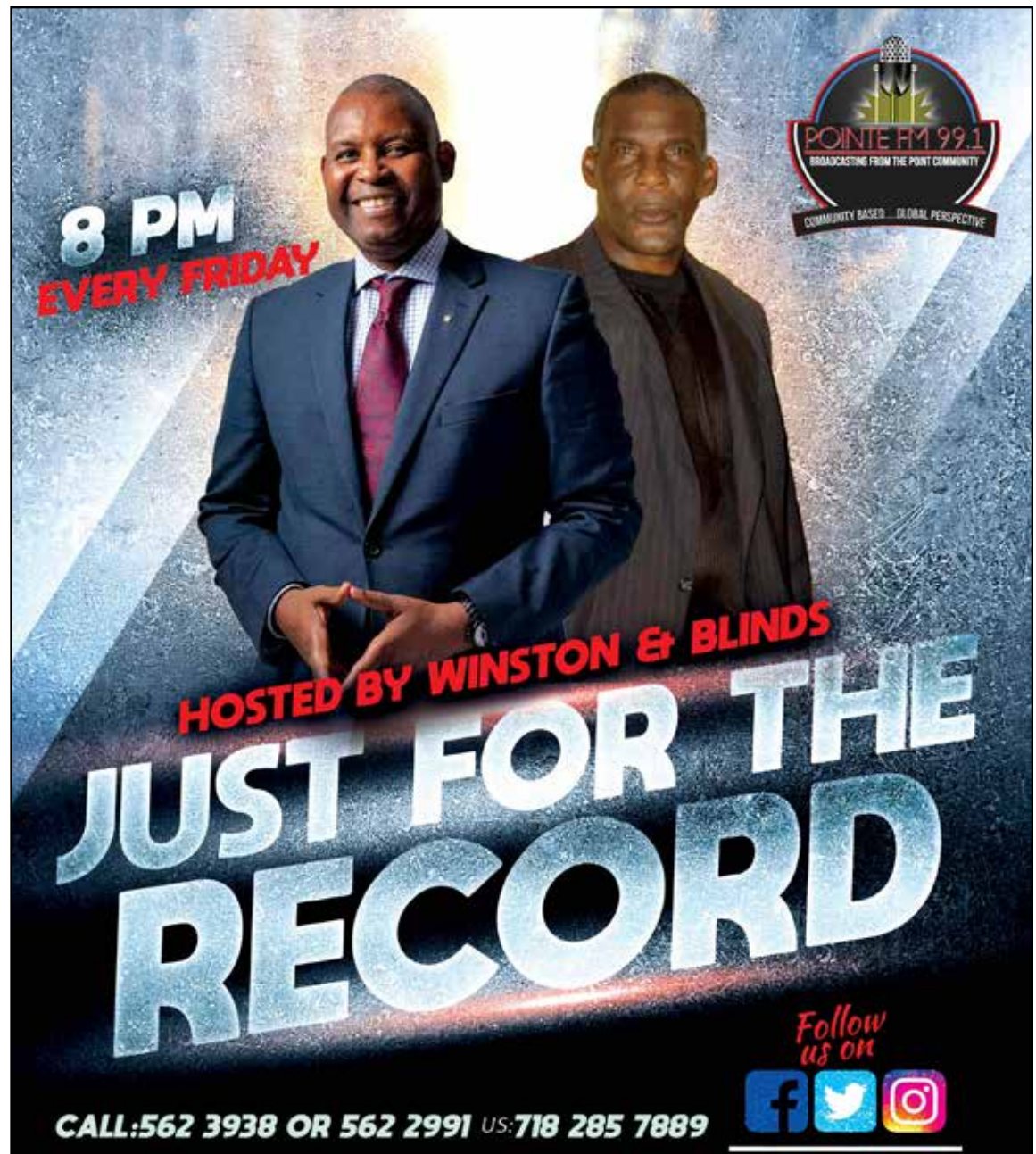
He was right and I told him so. My view was that the T&T government after seven years in power is still blam-

ing the Opposition it replaced in office and the Opposition is still not on the wavelength of the population.

My friend had the last word. "You see they saying that crime, especially murder, is a public health issue? Where the health they get that from? What they want to do? Instead of building a jail they will build a hospital? Instead of putting the police criminals and murderers in a cell they will put them in the Mad House?" Before I could reply and tell him that it is not

the criminals who have the health problems but the people who suffer at their hands, he added, "Look. I knew that the whole thing was a smoke-screen. Even the newspapers see it because they said that the two Prime Ministers had a joint press conference."

**Tony Deyal was last seen looking at the two very smug, swanky and well-dressed big-guns of Caribbean politics at a news conference and thinking that crime does not pay...as well as politics.*






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Business



CIBC First Caribbean announces new CEO

The Board of FirstCaribbean International Bank Limited (CIBC FirstCaribbean) has announced the appointment of Mark St. Hill as the next Chief Executive Officer, subject to regulatory approval. Mr. St. Hill assumes the post on 1st November 2022, with the retirement of the bank's current CEO, Ms. Colette Delaney.

In making the announcement, Chair of the Board of Directors, Mr. David Ritch, noted: "We are proud to appoint the first Caribbean national to hold the post of CIBC FirstCaribbean's Chief Executive Officer. With Mark taking the CEO's chair it marks the 4th consecutive appointment of a regional person to an executive role, which is a reflection of our focus on recognizing and developing regional talent."

He added: "Mark brings to the post 32 years of practi-

cal and technical experience in banking having worked his way through the bank from the post of "teller". Most recently he has driven the execution of our bank's digitalization strategy. He is perfectly positioned to lead the bank at this time of transformation within the financial services industry. Like his predecessor, Colette Delaney, he is an expert in one of the key pillars of our strategy – developing relationships, whether it be with our clients, our employees, or our suppliers."

Mark St. Hill has served the bank in various positions spanning Insurance Brokerage, Retail Banking, Corporate Banking, Credit Risk, International Banking and Wealth Management, Mark has also held senior management positions in several countries in the Caribbean such as Grenada, British Virgin Islands and Barbados. In addition, he sits on



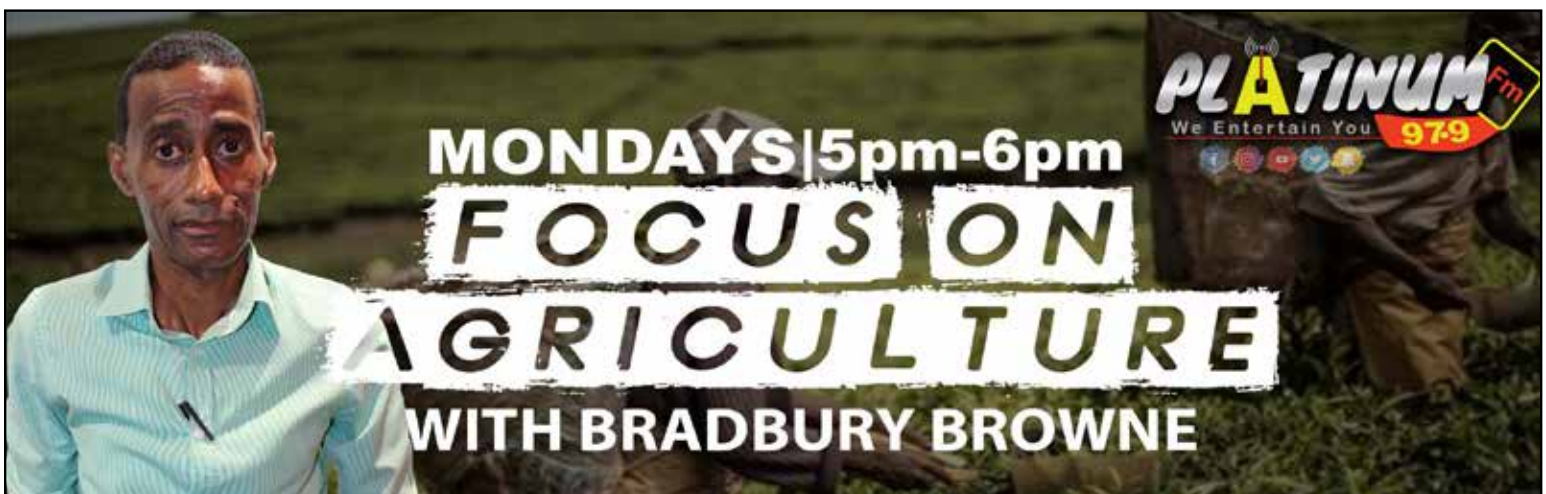
Colette Delaney

a number of the boards of the bank's operating companies and is a trustee of the FirstCaribbean International ComTrust Foundation, the bank's charitable foundation.

Mark is a Fellow of the British Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Adminis-

trators, a graduate of the FirstCaribbean Executive Leadership Program with Wharton Business School and has recently completed the Masters Certificate Program in Financial Services Leadership in conjunction with Schulich School of

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Business and CIBC. He is also the President of the Barbados Hockey Federation. Mark is married to Simone and is the proud father of three children.

Mark's appointment comes as the bank prepares to say farewell to its CEO of the past four years, Colette Delaney, who assumed the role on 1st November 2018.

Ms. Delaney joined CIBC FirstCaribbean in 2013, and amongst other roles she has served as the Bank's Chief Risk and Administrative Officer. She was appointed Chief Operating Officer with effect from 8th December 2017 and is a member of the board of CIBC FirstCaribbean International Bank. She also served as Chair of the bank's charitable organisation, FirstCaribbean International ComTrust Foundation.

"Colette's appointment as Chief Executive Officer, the first woman to be appointed to the role, was a landmark in the bank's history.

"She brought to her tenure as CEO the steady hand that the bank needed during the past two years as we struggled with the COVID-19 pandemic and its effect on our region. Her ability to reassure both employees and clients of the bank's stability and support helped to assuage the concerns of our various stakeholders during a testing period."

The Bank also announced today the retirement of Mr. Dan Wright, Managing Director of Wealth Management, effective 28th February 2023. Mr. Wright joined CIBC FirstCaribbean in December 2012, as Director, Private Wealth Management. In October 2013, he assumed the position of Managing Director, Wealth Management to reflect his additional regional responsibilities for our International Corporate Banking business and our two trust companies, FirstCaribbean International Bank & Trust Company (Cayman) Limited and FirstCaribbean International Trust Company (Bahamas) Limited.

Mr. Pim van der Burg, FCIB's Managing Director, Corporate and Investment Banking, will assume responsibility for the Wealth portfolio effective September 5th, 2022. The two executives will work together on transition activities until Mr. Wright's retirement.

The Bank's subsidiary, FirstCaribbean International Bank (Barbados) Limited, has also stated that it will cease operations in Dominica on 31st January 2023.

The Bank will start contacting its clients in Dominica within the coming days, to advise of timelines for its withdrawal from Dominica and what clients need to do ahead of the closure date. Ms. Delaney thanked the Bank's staff and clients in Dominica for their years of loyalty to the Bank.

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The Mighty Sparrow baptised in New York

By Micaiah

Mighty Sparrow, the undisputed Calypso King of the World, was baptised on Saturday at Far Rockaway Beach in Queens, New York.

According to the Searchlight newspaper in St Vincent and the Grenadines, Sparrow, 87, whose real name is Slinger Francisco, was “taken into the water of Holy Baptism by Vincentian Seventh Day Adventist Pastor, Claudius Morgan.” Morgan, a former calypsonian, carried the sobriquet “Samaritan Singer”.

The paper said that Sparrow, who now resides in Queens, was “dressed in all white” for his water baptism.

“He is now known as Brother Francisco (and is) a member of the Linden Seventh Day Adventist Church in New York,” the Searchlight said.

While celebrating his 87th birthday in July, the legendary Mighty Sparrow told the Trinidad Express newspaper that he felt “wonderful”.

The publication said that Sparrow, who was born on July 9, 1935, was expected to spend his special day listening to a radio i95.5 FM tribute, dubbed “Sparrow Day”.

The Express said the

musical buffet, hosted by presenters John Gill and John Wayne, featured “a slew of (Sparrow) classics”, like ‘Jean and Dinah’, ‘Sa Sa Yea’, ‘Both of Them’, ‘Drunk and Disorderly’, ‘Survival’, ‘Capitalism Gone Mad’ and ‘Education’.

Sparrow, who grew up in Port-of-Spain, the Trinidad capital, was born in the fishing village of Grand Roy, Grenada.

He moved to Trinidad and Tobago as a one-year-old with his mother. His father had relocated there in 1937.

Sparrow, who is also a songwriter and guitarist, is regarded as one of the most renowned and most successful calypsonians.

He has won Trinidad and Tobago’s Carnival Road March competition eight times, Calypso King/Monarch eight times, and has twice won the Calypso King of Kings title.

In reflecting on his life and career, during his 87th birthday celebration in July, Sparrow told the Trinidad Express: “Everybody gone (passed on) and left me. Winsford Devine (celebrated songwriter who wrote some of his megahits).

“I was just looking at a video with Kitch (short for Kitchener, whose real name was Aldwyn Roberts) and I.



We were dancing and carrying on Alwyn stage,” Sparrow said. “Now he’s gone.

“I was looking at another video, ‘We Are the World’. It has a host of performers like Shadow (Winston Bailey). Now he’s gone,” Sparrow added. “Guitarist George Victory, and artistes like De Fosto, Rootsman, Brigo and Penguin passed on.

“Sugar Aloes and Cro Cro are in the video. They are still here,” Sparrow continued. “It was a beautiful experience to work with all of them.”

In July 2010, the United States Congress listed Sparrow in its Congressional Re-

cord.

As the Caribbean community in New York, on July 9, 2010 celebrated Sparrow’s 75th birthday, Caribbean American Congresswoman Yvette D Clarke said that she ensured that Sparrow was listed in the Record. In presenting a citation, then New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Sparrow “touched the lives of countless listeners.”

With his baptism Saturday as a Seventh Day Adventist, it’s uncertain if the legendary Mighty Sparrow will ever again sing calypsos to his legions of fans worldwide.

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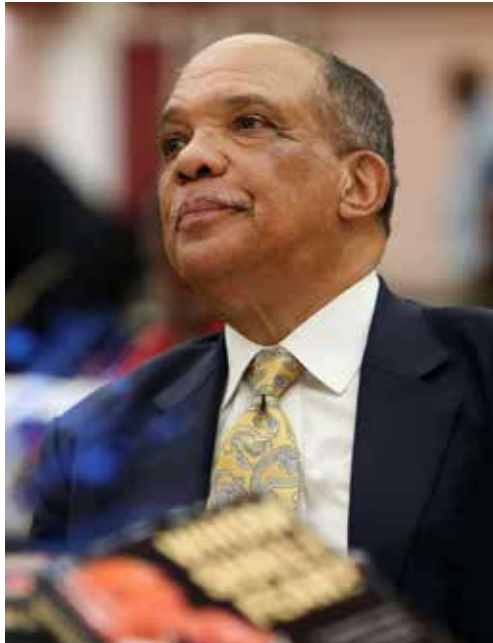
British lawyer to be judge in ex-premier Dr. Ewart Brown criminal case

CMC – A senior British lawyer with strong Caribbean roots has been assigned as the judge for a pending criminal case in Bermuda against former Progressive Labour Party (PLP) premier Dr. Ewart Brown.

Puisne Judge, Justice Shade Subair-Williams told the Supreme Court that Martin Forde QC had been appointed to hear the case.

Forde, son of a Barbadian father and St. Lucian mother who grew up in the UK, was previously appointed by the national executive committee of the Britain's Party to undertake an independent investigation into the circumstances and contents of a leaked report into antisemitism within the party.

He also served as an independent adviser to the Windrush compensation scheme between 2018 and 2021, intended to benefit those who emigrated to Britain from Commonwealth Caribbean islands, only for many to be illegally detained, deported and denied legal rights by measures intended to



Former Premier of Bermuda, Dr. Ewart Brown, is facing 13 corruption charges and accusations of antisemitism

crack down on illegal immigration.

Forde has been a Recorder of the Crown Court in the UK since 2009, meaning he has presided over the equivalent of Bermuda Supreme Court trials as a judge, legal sources said.

Brown, 75, a physician who was

premier between 2006 and 2010, faces 13 charges, including five related to agreements with America's Lahey Clinic, through which he allegedly received US\$4.01 million in monthly payments between 2001 and 2010.

The remaining eight charges relate to allegations of corruptly obtaining \$350,500 in donations to benefit the PLP and the Bermuda Health Foundation between 2007 and 2010.

Meanwhile, Brown, who has not yet been required to enter a plea, has launched a civil court matter against the director of public prosecutions, the attorney-general and the deputy governor.

Mrs. Justice Subair-Williams had been set to hear both matters but announced in March that she would step away from the cases.

Bermuda-born Brown was forced to give up his US citizenship when he won a seat in the House of Assembly in 1993 after he returned to the island. He retired from politics after stepping down as premier.

Barbadians urged to adopt zero tolerance for guns

CMC – Attorney General Dale Marshall has called on Barbadians to adopt a “zero tolerance” for guns and anyone dealing with these illegal firearms.

Speaking during a press conference on Friday, Marshall urged citizens to take a tough stance particularly in the aftermath of four shooting deaths in three days, taking the number of homicides for the year to 28.

“If your son or daughter, your boyfriend or girlfriend

is involved in that way of life, bringing guns in the house, hiding them under the mattress, tell them not with you.... If you, your partner, your mother, your father, your brother, your sister, whoever it is, is involved in that way of life, zero tolerance means that we have a vested interest in telling them to ... get out of that way of life....

“I understand this is a difficult conversation; it

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Attorney General of Barbados, Dale Marshall QC

Dominican police praised after major firearms bust

CMC – Dominica's National Security Minister, Rayburn Blackmoore, has praised law enforcement officials "for their outstanding work," after 28 illegal firearms were seized and two persons detained for questioning during an operation on Tuesday.

Police said they had intercepted a vehicle at Loubiere, on Tuesday evening and seized the illegal weapons as well as a quantity of marijuana.

"A search of the vehicle was conducted by the police. Twenty-seven 9MM pistols, one Glock 40 pistol, 108 rounds of 9mm ammunition, and in excess of 40 pounds of cured cannabis were found in and seized from the vehicle. Two persons are presently in police custody assisting with the investigations in this mat-



ter," acting inspector of police, Fixton Henderson, said in a statement.

Blackmoore said the actions of the police "truly exemplify the highest qualities and ideals that we hope for in all police officers."

"Policing is a very challenging job. It, therefore, entails striking a balance between being a guardian and a warrior all in an effort to protect and serve. We now have 28 fewer illegal

firearms off the streets. Let me also add that the efforts of the police are just one aspect of the overall fight of ridding our streets of illegal firearms," Blackmoore said.

He said the courts, the family setting, and society as a whole, "must be active participants of that fight."

He said the government is committed to making the necessary investments to strengthen Dominica's borders noting that five addi-

tional machines are being bought at a cost of EC\$2.5 million (One EC dollar=US\$0.37 cents) for the various ports of entry.

"Later this year a new police vessel with improved capabilities and capacity will be added to the Coast Guard Unit," he said, adding that the investments are being made "in an effort to strengthen our borders against firearms smuggling and other illicit activities."

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will be hard for some because some of the members of the public may rely on these individuals for support. They may say, well I can't do this to my child's father.... But the fact is that if you don't, you have to accept that you may well become a casualty because you support that particular way of life."

Marshall expressed the view that a whole country approach must be adopted to deal with the crime situation.

"The statistics in relation to the other crimes are down. So, if we've been able to quell the other kinds of criminal activity using particular in-

terventions and methods, there's no reason why we should not be able to succeed in firearm crimes by using the same approach....

"It will require steady, diligent work on the part of the police service, on the part of the government and equally important, on the part of the people of Barbados," he stressed.

Stating that the recent homicides were not random shootings, the attorney general said this spate of instability is being caused by two or three groups that are engaging in feuding and recriminations.

He gave the assurance that the island remains a safe place, with citizens

being safe in their homes and communities.

He said the country had not descended into any state of anarchy. However, he acknowledged that the current spike could have a severe effect on the country and the way of life of its people.

Stressing that "this gun play must stop," he asserted that "we have it within our power to stop it." He noted that law and order is a priority for government, and this was evident by the fact that every time the Barbados Police Service asked for resources or equipment, the administration had tried to put them in place.

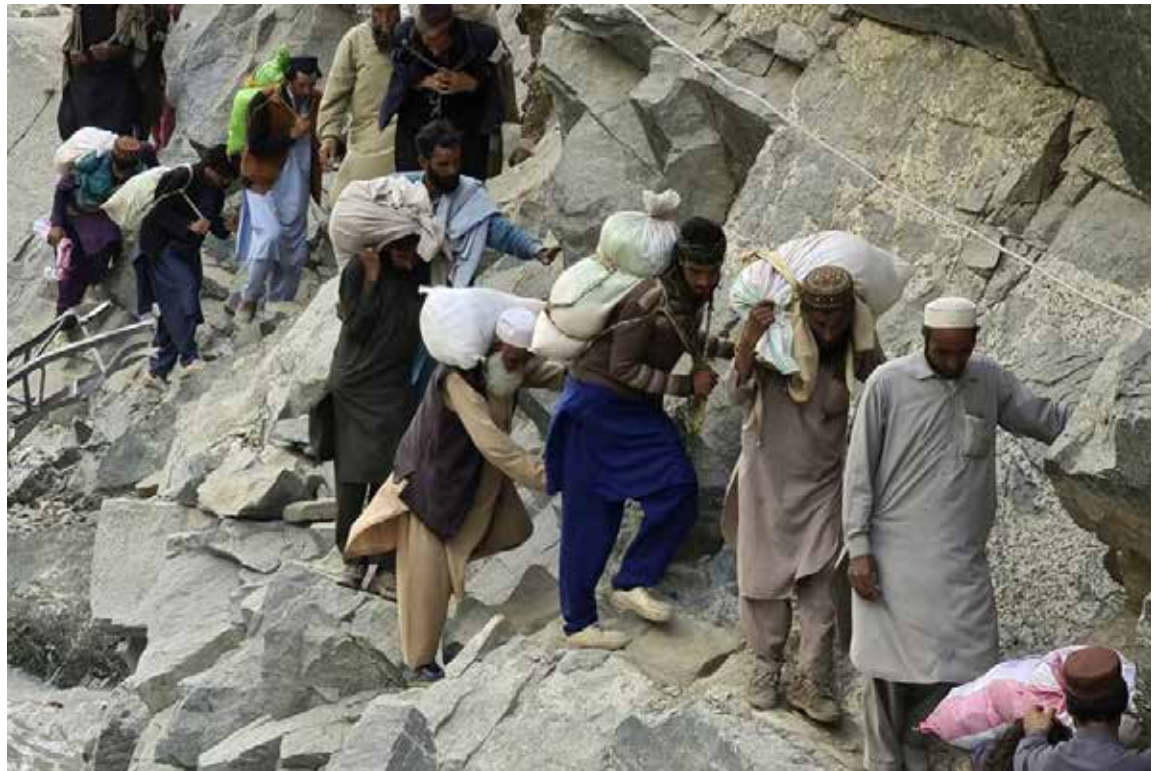
Pakistan's hope as lake fills: Flood villages to save a city

AP- Pakistani engineers cut into an embankment for one of the country's largest lakes on Sunday to release rising waters in the hopes of saving a nearby city and town from flooding as officials predicted more monsoon rain was on the way for the country's already devastated south.

While officials hope the cut in the sides of Lake Manchar will protect about half a million people who live in the city of Sehwan and the town of Bhan Saeedabad, villages that are home to 150,000 people are in the path of the diverted waters. The hometown of Sindh province's chief minister was among the affected villages, whose residents were warned to evacuate ahead of time, according to the provincial information minister.

More than 1,300 people have died and millions have lost their homes in flooding caused by unusually heavy monsoon rains in Pakistan this year that many experts have blamed on climate change. In response to the unfolding disaster, U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres last week called on the world to stop "sleepwalking" through the crisis. He plans to visit flood-hit areas on Sept. 9.

Several countries have flown in supplies, but the Pakistani government has



Local residents cross a portion of road destroyed by floodwaters in Kalam Valley in northern Pakistan, Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022. Officials warned Sunday that more flooding was expected as Lake Manchar in southern Pakistan swelled from monsoon rains that began in mid-June and have killed nearly 1,300 people. (AP Photo/Sherin Zada)

pleaded for even more help, faced with the enormous task of feeding and housing those affected, as well as protecting them from water-borne diseases.

While floods have touched much of the country, Sindh province has been the most affected.

With meteorologists predicting more rain in the coming days, including around Sindh's Lake Manchar, and its level already rising, authorities ordered that water be released from it. Sindh's chief minister, Murad Ali Shah, made the call even though his own village could be flooded, said Sharjil Inam Memon,

the provincial information minister. The government helped residents of the villages in the waters' path to evacuate ahead of time, said Memon.

The hope was that the water, once released, would flow into the nearby Indus River, but the lake's level continued to rise even after the cut was made, according to Fariduddin Mustafa, administrator for Jamshoro district, where the affected villages are located. Authorities have also warned residents of neighbouring Dadu district that they might be at risk of more flooding in coming days.

While the release valve

was created in one area, army engineers worked elsewhere to reinforce the banks of Lake Manchar, which is the largest natural freshwater lake in Pakistan and one of the largest in Asia.

In its latest report, Pakistan's National Disaster Management Authority put the death toll since mid-June — when monsoon rains started weeks earlier than is typical — at 1,314, as more fatalities were reported from flood-affected areas of Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Baluchistan provinces. The report said 458 children were among the dead.

Chile votes on proposed constitution with big changes

AP – Chileans voted in a plebiscite Sunday on whether to adopt a far-reaching new constitution that would fundamentally change the South American country.

The proposed charter is intended to replace a constitution imposed by the military dictatorship of Gen. Augusto Pinochet 41 years ago.

For months, opinion polls have shown a clear advantage for the rejection camp, but the difference has been narrowing, giving hope to the charter's supporters that they can pull out a victory.



People line up to vote in a plebiscite on a new draft of the Constitution in Santiago, Chile, Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022. Chileans are deciding if they will replace the current Magna Carta imposed by a military dictatorship 41 years ago. (AP Photo/Matias Basualdo)

“We are clearly in a situation in which the result will be close,” said Marta Lagos, head of MORI, a local pollster. “The Chilean is a polit-

ical animal who decides at the last minute.”

The outcome will have a resounding impact on President Gabriel Boric,

36, who has been one of the main proponents of the new constitution. Analysts say voters also likely view *cont'd on pg 20*



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Deadly attack targets Somalia food convoy

BBC – At least 20 people, including women and children, have been killed and food aid destroyed after militants attacked several vehicles in Somalia's central Hiiraan region.

"They put a bomb while people were in the car and blew it up," the region's governor told the BBC Somali service.

Islamist militant group al-Shabab has said it was targeting a government-affiliated armed group.

Somalia is facing what experts call its worst drought in a decade.

Threat from al-Shabab militants, who want to overthrow the central government, also continues to grow.

The al-Qaeda-linked group controls much of southern and central Somalia, but has been able to ex-



Al-Shabab is fighting to overthrow Somalia's government

tend its influence into areas controlled by the government, which is based in the capital Mogadishu.

Two weeks ago, its fighters stormed a hotel in the city and killed more than 20 people.

The governor of Hiiraan, Ali Jeyte Osman, said the death toll from Friday's attack could rise amid reports that up to 27 people had been killed.

"Some are injured and

some ran away when the shooting started. The dead bodies are still being collected, including women and children," he said.

Mr Osman accused the militants of being at war with the civilian population in the region, accusing them of burning villages and destroying water wells.

Local clan leader Mohamed Abdirahman described the attack as horrible, adding that such an

atrocious had never happened in the region before.

"These were innocent civilians who did nothing to deserve this," he was quoted by AFP news agency as saying.

Somalia President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud vowed that his government would "leave no stone unturned" in the fight against "terrorism" in the country.

In a statement al-Shabab said the lorries it attacked were carrying food supplies for a group of local fighters who have been backing the government's offensive against them.

An ongoing drought in the Horn of Africa has displaced hundreds of thousands of people in Somalia with the UN warning recently that the worst was yet to come.

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the vote as a referendum on Chile's youngest-ever president, whose popularity has plunged since taking office in March.

Fifty-year-old Italo Hernández said he had backed the changes as he exited the polling station in the National Stadium in Chile's capital of Santiago on an unusually hot and sunny winter day. "We have to leave behind Pinochet's constitution that only favoured people with money."

Hernández said it was "very symbolic and very emotional" to be voting

at a stadium that had been used as a detention and torture site during the military dictatorship.

Others, however, remain deeply sceptical of the proposed charter.

"There are other ways and other paths to achieve what people are asking for or what we need as a nation that isn't simply to change the constitution," Mabel Castillo, 42, said. "We all need to evolve. I know it's an ancient constitution that needs changes, but not in the way that is being done today."

Voting is mandatory in the pleb-

iscite, which climaxes a three-year process that began when the country once seen as a paragon of stability in the region exploded in student-led street protests in 2019. The unrest was sparked by a hike in public transportation prices, but it quickly expanded into broader demands for greater equality and more social protections.

The following year, just under 80% of Chileans voted in favour of changing the country's constitution that dates from the country's 1973-1990 military dictatorship led by Augusto Pinochet.

PGMOL accepts VAR decisions at Chelsea & Newcastle were wrong

BBC – Referees' body PGMOL has effectively accepted controversial VAR decisions made at Chelsea and Newcastle were wrong and will fully cooperate with a Premier League review of the incidents.

The decisions denied Newcastle United and West Ham goals against Crystal Palace and Chelsea, respectively.

Both teams thought they had scored, with the goals confirmed by the on-pitch referee.

But in each instance the goals were disallowed after VAR.

The decisions have been heavily criticised, with many arguing that the role of VAR is not to reverse debatable calls that have already been made.

The Premier League is to now review the decisions with the PGMOL as a matter of priority.

The PGMOL (Professional Game Match Officials Limited) will fully cooperate and collaborate with the Premier League's request, using the outcome as part of an ongoing assessment of weekly performances and the development of its match officials going forward.

West Ham were denied a 90th-minute equaliser when Maxwell Cornet's effort was ruled out after

Jarrod Bowen was judged to have fouled Edouard Mendy in the build-up – a decision David Moyes called "scandalous".

"The goalkeeper comes to take it, and actually fumbles it out of his hands five or six yards, so he could never recover it," said Moyes, who added he was "embarrassed" for VAR official Jarrod Gillett.

"Then he acted as if he had a shoulder injury. I'm amazed that VAR sent the referee to see it.

"It was a ridiculously bad decision. I'd question VAR as much as the referee, but the referee should have stuck to his own guns – there is no excuse for that not to be a goal, none whatsoever.

"The sad thing is this is the level of the weak refereeing at the moment."

Meanwhile, Newcastle saw what manager Eddie Howe called a "perfectly good goal" chalked off against Palace.

Palace defender Tyrick Mitchell turned the ball into his own net and referee Michael Salisbury ruled it out for a foul by Joe Willock on goalkeeper Vicente Guaita, though Newcastle felt the midfielder was himself pushed by Mitchell.

BBC Sport pundit Alan Shearer said: "It is shock-

ing, abysmal, disgraceful – Willock is going to head that ball, so Mitchell shoves him. Michael Salisbury gets it right, it is Lee Mason [VAR official] who somehow bizarrely tells him 'you have made a howler'.

"Lee Mason is the one to blame because he is an inexperienced referee. At this level you have got to get that decision right, he has had no help from VAR.

"Far too many errors, VAR is not the problem, it is the people who are running it."

World Cup referee Michael Oliver ignored the advice of VAR in a game between Nottingham Forest and Bournemouth at the City Ground, despite being asked to review a penalty decision on the pitchside monitor.

Instead, Oliver opted to stick with his initial call and award Forest the spot-kick for handball.

Elsewhere, Leeds boss Jesse Marsch was sent off for his reaction to two penalty decisions that did not go his side's way in a defeat by Brentford.



Resurgent Man United beats Arsenal 3-1 for 4th straight win

AP – Marcus Rashford's double and a debut goal for Antony secured Manchester United a fourth successive victory as a 3-1 win ended Arsenal's perfect start to the Premier League on Sunday.

Deadline-day signing Antony was handed a start after only joining on Thursday and took just 35 minutes to score his first goal, the \$95 million arrival from Ajax coolly dispatching a left-footed effort.

By that time, Arsenal winger Gabriel Martinelli had had a goal ruled out after the VAR advised referee Paul Tierney to review Martin Odegaard's challenge on Christian Eriksen in the buildup.

Arsenal started the second half strongly and equalised through Bukayo Saka, only for United to strike back as Rashford was sent racing through to score by a brilliant through ball from Bruno Fernandes.

The 24-year-old Rashford grabbed his second after Eriksen teed him up in the 75th minute as United won four consecutive Premier League games for the first time since April 2021.

Arsenal's run of five straight games to open the season came to an end but the visitors dominated large spells at Old Trafford, suggesting they can challenge for a top-four place this season.



Manchester United's Marcus Rashford, centre, celebrates after scoring his side's second goal during the English Premier League soccer match between Manchester United and Arsenal at Old Trafford stadium, in Manchester, England, Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022. (AP Photo/Dave Thompson)

The atmosphere was rocking at Old Trafford and play got off to a lively start to a backdrop of anti-Glazer ownership chants that persisted throughout.

Eriksen volleyed narrowly wide at the far post having met a deep cross from Diogo Dalot, while at the other end William Saliba wasted a good chance when the ball fell to him inside the box.

Jadon Sancho followed some quick footwork with

a low drive that Arsenal goalkeeper Aaron Ramsdale kept out and a frantic opening reached a crescendo in the 12th.

Odegaard dispossessed Eriksen before Saka put Martinelli through, with the in-form forward slotting past David de Gea.

But Arsenal's celebrations were brought to a halt by the VAR, with the referee ultimately ruling the goal out after going to the pitchside monitor and

deeming Odegaard to have fouled Eriksen.

Antony wastefully bent wide from distance as play became broken up by fouls and periods of treatment before Arsenal had some decent chances.

Martinelli got away a low attempt from an acute angle that De Gea stopped from creeping in at the near post, then soon after produced a superb save to prevent him heading home.

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Anisa Mohammed to take leave of absence from international cricket

West Indies Women's vice-captain Anisa Mohammed has decided to take a leave of absence from International Cricket for a period of six months.

Mohammed requested to take a break from the game with immediate effect, after a hectic year of cricket both home and away.

The 33-year old's decision to take time away from cricket comes with the full support of Cricket West Indies (CWI).

CWI's Director of Cricket Jimmy Adams said, "Anisa has been a true stalwart of West Indies Women's cricket for over a decade. We at CWI wish her well and will provide any support she may require during this period away from international cricket and look forward to wel-



West Indies Women's vice-captain Anisa Mohammed

coming her back in March." Mohammed said, "Cricket has given me all that I have, and I still love it as much as the first day I started playing, therefore this decision was not an easy one for me, especially with the T20 World Cup five months away. However, I must listen to my body and my mind that I need to take

time away from the game at this time. This is not a permanent goodbye but rather a see you soon. I wish the team all the best in all their forthcoming series, and I know Hayley will fulfil her role as captain, as I've seen her mature and grow as a person and cricketer."

Mohammed made her debut for the West Indies at

the age of 13 at the Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifiers in Holland in 2003. She established herself as the premier spin bowler for the West Indies Women, going on to become the first cricketer, male or female, to take 100 T20I wickets and ultimately the leading wicket-taker in the format with 125 scalps.

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Those stops provided United with the platform to take the lead.

Eriksen played through the lines to Fernandes and the referee played advantage as the Portuguese passed onto Sancho before being fouled by Gabriel.

The winger fed Rashford, whose delicate pass put Antony in to curl a left-footed strike past Ramsdale. The new boy made the most of the celebrations.

There were a few half-chances as halftime approached before Arsenal returned from the break with renewed intensity.

Gabriel Jesus found Odegaard with a cross from which he could not make

a clean connection and Saka rifled across the face of goal as the visitors worked another opening. Tyrell Malacia's attempt to stop the latter ended in penalty appeals that were ignored.

Saka's floated cross then landed on the crossbar as United remained under pressure.

Cristiano Ronaldo came on for Antony but in the 60th minute, Arsenal's pressure told.

Having intercepted the ball, the Gunners quickly launched an attack. Odegaard slipped in Jesus, with Dalot's tackle on him inadvertently putting the ball into Saka's path to strike.

It was no less than the league leaders deserved at that time but they were

only level for six minutes.

United picked up a loose pass and launched a break, with Fernandes' excellent ball putting Rashford through to hit a drive that beat Ramsdale and rippled the back of the net in front of the Stretford End.

The Arsenal goalkeeper batted away Fernandes' chip and, after Jesus went close at the other end, was picking the ball out of his net again in the 75th minute.

Fernandes superbly capitalised on the visitors' high line with a pass that put Eriksen free. The experienced midfielder squared the ball for Rashford to score his second.

United moved up to fifth place, three points behind Arsenal.

Sports News



Heavy rain disrupts ABFA's Knockout Cup competition

Heavy rain across the island forced the postponement of some matches in the Cool and Smooth Jomo Caribbean Antigua and Barbuda Football Association's (ABFA) Knockout Cup Competition last Friday and Saturday.

The showers, which were produced by rain-bands associated with the passage of Tropical Storm Earle to the north of Antigua and Barbuda on Saturday, caused the ABFA to postpone the matches at its Technical Training Centre at Paynters.

The ABFA's Knockout

Cup Competition was slated to resume last Friday with the start of the final group of first round matches between first and second division teams.

Senior Vice-President of the ABFA Gwen Salmon said the affected matches have been rescheduled to take place at the same venue this week.

Police will now face Sea View Farm at 5:30 pm and John Hughes will take on Glanvilles at 7:30 pm in a double-header today Monday, 5th September.

In another double-header

slated for tomorrow (Tuesday), 6th September, English Harbour will face Blackburn Palace at 5:30 pm and Bendals FC will oppose Pares FC at 7:30 pm.

Salmon said the ABFA was forced to cancel two of the matches after the association was informed that Herberts FC and HUFF Uprising have pulled out of the knockout competition.

Herberts FC was slated to face Road FC and HUFF Uprising was scheduled to tackle Master Ballers in their first-round encounters.

Salmon said by virtue of the two teams pulling out of the competition, their two first-round opponents, Fort Road FC and Master Ballers, have been given byes into

the second round.

They will join West Ham FC, Attacking Saints, Green City FC, Potters Tigers, Bolans FC, Garden Stars, Young Warriors FC and Mahico Stars, who got in courtesy of a first-round bye, into the second round of the competition. Following the completion of the remaining first-round matches, the draw for the second round is slated to be made shortly thereafter.

The draw will include all first-round qualifiers and the teams which are currently in the premier division.

The winners of the ABFA Knockout Cup, which is being sponsored by Joma Caribbean and Cool & Smooth, will receive a cash prize of EC\$50,000.



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Tough goings for Fly Ballers at Americas Netball Men's Championship

It has been rather tough goings for Fly Ballers Netball Club of Antigua and Barbuda at the inaugural Americas Netball Men's Championship at the Arnos Vale Sports Complex in St. Vincent & the Grenadines.

Fly Ballers, who are representing Antigua and Barbuda at the five-team tournament in Kingstown after winning the mixed division of the 2022 Antigua and Barbuda Netball Association's Kess Imports Community and Village League, have failed to win any of their first three matches at the tournament in St. Vincent.

Fly Ballers were beaten 65-32 by the Jamaica Suns in their third outing on Saturday, 3rd September. Goal Attack Akiel Hazelwood led Fly Ballers by sinking 31 of his 38 shots.

Goal Shoot Richard Hendricks converted 38 of his 45 attempts, while Goal Attack Kurt Dale scored 20 of his 21 shots for the Jamaicans.

Fly Ballers also came up short in their second encounter against the host nation as the Vincy Warriors ran away with a commanding 56-18 victory over the Antiguan and Barbudan side.

Hazelwood scored 16 of his 22 attempts for Fly Ballers, while Goal Shoot Dorian Layne sank 48 of his 54 shots and Goal At-

tack Roy Hamilton converted eight of his 11 tries for the Vincentians.

Fly Ballers had made a poor start to the tournament as they were on the receiving end of a 74-18 trashing at the hands of South Africa's Proteas Pumas in their opening encounter.

But the South Africans suffered their first loss of the competition, narrowly losing 36-38 against Jamaica Suns in their second game of the tournament.

Goal Attack Eugene Sinxezi scored 19 of his 25 attempts and Goal Shoot Lutendo Maiwashe converted 17 of his 21 shots for the South Africans.

For Jamaica, Goal Attack Kurt Dale netted 27 of his 33 tries and Goal Shoot Richard Hendricks sank 11 of his 14 attempts.

South Africa's Proteas Pumas rebounded by trouncing Grenada Spice Boys 58-28 in their third encounter on Saturday.

Sinxezi netted 22 of his 24 shots, Goal Shoot Luke Moolman converted 17 of his 20 attempts, Goal Attack and captain Shiko Mokaila scored 10 of his 11 tries and Maiwashe converted all of his eight shots for the South Africans.

The Grenadian Spice Boys challenge was led by Goal Attack Lebert Alexander who scored 15 of his 31 attempts and Goal



Fly Ballers Goal Shoot Akiel Hazelwood, second right, attempts a shot during his team's second encounter against Vincy Warriors at the inaugural Americas Netball Men's Championship at the Arnos Vale Sports Complex in St Vincent & the Grenadines on Friday, 2nd September, 2022. (Photo by Robertson S Henry)

Shoot Darron Oxford who converted 13 of his 18 shots.

In other encounters, Jamaica Suns defeated Grenada Spice Boys 45-24 and Vincy Warriors prevailed

33-26 over Grenada Spice Boys in the opening game of the inaugural tournament, which is being hosted by the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Netball Association.

Antigua & Barbuda win second game at CONCACAF Under-17 tournament

Antigua and Barbuda recorded their first win of the 2022 CONCACAF Men's Under-17 Championship Qualifiers on Friday evening.

Tejhano Jarvis scored his second goal in as many matches to give Antigua and Barbuda a 1-0 win against the Turks & Caicos Islands in their Group D Qualifier at the Estadio Nacional in Managua, Nicaragua.

After scoring Antigua and Barbuda's equalizer to salvage a 1-1 draw with Belize in their opening encounter last Wednesday, Jarvis scored in the first minute of added on time in the first half (45+1), which proved to be the winner in a keenly contested encounter against the Turks and Caicos Islands.

The win lifted Antigua and Barbuda to second place in the four-team group with four points after two matches.

Their second loss in as many matches ensured that the Turks and Caicos Islands remain at the bottom of the Group D qualifiers without a point, after losing 5-0 to host Nicaragua in their opening match last Wednesday.

Antigua and Barbuda must beat host and Group D Lead-

ers Nicaragua in their final encounter to advance to the next phase of the competition.

Nicaragua earned their second victory in as many matches of the qualifiers with a 3-0 win versus Belize on Friday night.

Felix Cano opened the scoring for Nicaragua in the 24th minute to give the home team a 1-0 half time lead.

Nicaragua sealed their second win with a pair of second half goals from Juban Uriarte, who scored in the 56th and 69th minute to ensure the Nicaraguans remain as Group D leaders with six points.

After round robin play, the team that finished at the top of Group D and the winners of Group A, B and C will advance to the 2023 Concacaf Under-17 Championship, joining the top 16 ranked nations that have been seeded directly into the group stage of the championship.

Guatemala will host the 2023 Concacaf Under-17 Championship. The qualifying competition for the FIFA U-17 World Cup will take place in Guatemala City and Antigua, Guatemala, from 11th to 26th February, 2023.



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