

1 300 respond to Sandals recruitment drive in St. Vincent

SAINT VINCENT and the Grenadines was abuzz with excitement last week as over 1 300 Vincentians responded to the recruitment call by Sandals Resorts International (SRI), as the company begins preparations to bring its Beaches resort brand to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

The decision to fast track recruitment efforts ahead of the establishment of the first Beaches resort in the Eastern Caribbean at the former Buccament Bay site, is in an effort to buffer the displacement caused from the recent volcanic eruption and the continued economic fallout due to the pandemic.

Sandals Executive Chairman Adam Stewart said this recruitment drive will provide direct employment for nationals even ahead of the resort's opening, "We remain committed to supporting the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines by providing opportunities through immediate

employment and the long-term linkages that will flow once Beaches Saint Vincent gets underway. For now, I am excited at the feedback from this first phase of the recruitment process which identified some amazing candidates, and we look forward to phase two as we aim to provide employment opportunities for some 500 Vincentians in the first instance."

The first phase of the recruitment drive took place on the island of Saint Vincent from May 26 to 28 with 462 in person interviews conducted. The Sandals team, led by Winston Anderson, Managing Director for Sandals Resorts in Saint Lucia, was impressed with the interactions throughout.

Anderson shared, "There was a remarkable response from the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and we were pleased that in the limited period we had on the ground we were able to accommodate over 460

SVG Finance Minister lauds company's efforts

persons. These will be further shortlisted and successful candidates will be placed at various resorts throughout the region."

Saint Vincent's Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology Camillo Gonsalves said the recruitment drive was timely, and described it as a massive gesture of Caribbean solidarity. "We were thrilled to welcome the Sandals team to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Sandals is a

quintessentially Caribbean company and Adam Stewart has leveraged his company's regional presence to provide meaningful assistance to Vincentians in the wake of our recent volcanic eruptions."

Minister Gonsalves added, "In addition to humanitarian support through the Sandals Foundation, Mr. Stewart recognises that the best way to help affected citizens is to offer hope and opportunity through

meaningful employment. I am grateful to Sandals and Beaches resorts for their demonstrated commitment to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines – as both a place to do business and as a member of our Caribbean family. Sandals has established unambiguously that they are an integral part of our present recovery and our future development in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. We thank them sincerely for their timely response."

The recruitment drive is a manifestation of Sandals'

continued commitment to provide Caribbean nationals with training and employment opportunities across the region under its Team Member Exchange Programme.

Beaches Saint Vincent is just one of several exciting new projects announced by Sandals Resorts in 2021. The resort-chain recently broke ground for three new resorts in Jamaica with plans to follow for Curacao and St. Vincent, all of which are expected to create some 5 000 new jobs over the next five years.



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SUPREME COURT OF BARBADOS
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CLAIM NO. 708 of 2020

BETWEEN

DAVID DEGG

CLAIMANT

AND

LEMAR JORDAN

DEFENDANT

NOTICE

TO: **Mr. Lemar Jordan**
whose last known address was
Block 1B, St. Barnabas
Saint Michael

TAKE NOTICE that an action has commenced against you in the High Court of Justice of this Island entitled **CV 708 of 2020** by Mr. David Degg in which the Claimant's claim is for the sum of **\$109,585.50** inclusive of interest and costs owed to him by you.

AND THAT it has been ordered by the High Court that service of the Claim Form and Statement of Claim in the said action on you be effected by this advertisement.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that you must within 28 days from the publication of this advertisement file a **DEFENCE** to the claim set out in the Claim Form and Statement of Claim, a certified copy of which may be obtained from the Registration Office of the Supreme Court of Barbados Whitepark Road, St. Michael, failing which, the Court may proceed with the action in your absence.

Dated the 2nd day of June 2021.

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C&W Communications confirms its state of readiness for the 2021 Hurricane Season

EVEN as Caribbean countries continue to actively work towards bringing the COVID-19 pandemic under control through aggressive vaccination and public education campaigns, residents must also keep a watchful eye on the start of the Atlantic hurricane season on June 1, 2021.

C&W Communications, part of Liberty Latin America, and operator of the Flow and BTC brands in the Caribbean, is reconfirming to the customers and communities it serves of the comprehensive preparation measures being put in place for the 2021 Atlantic Hurricane Season.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) has predicted a more active than normal season in their latest update on May 20th, with the prediction of 13 to 20 named storms and six to ten of those attaining hurricane status.

Inge Smidts, CEO, C&W Communications, said, "Connectivity continues to be a vital lifeline for this region. Our networks are enabling millions of customers to stay connected, and to continue to safely work and learn remotely in markets where face-to-face activities are still restricted. Our regional governments, healthcare systems and educational

facilities are relying on our services to manage their operations in a new world of e-government, telemedicine, virtual meetings, and online learning. As a result, we rigorously test our networks to ensure that we have deployed the best technology and processes to face natural disasters, like hurricanes, across the region."

Smidts continued, "Our teams are in their final stages of preparation for the 2021 Hurricane season and have conducted a number of simulation exercises incorporating learnings from past seasons to improve upon our already hurricane-tested network. We are keenly aware of

the reliance our customers and corporate clients have placed on the ability of our networks to keep them connected during previous devastating Atlantic hurricanes. We continue to be proud to play such a vital role across the region. We have invested in important redundancy capabilities across our vast sub-sea network and in our data centres located outside of the 'hurricane belt', which provide an additional layer of protection for connectivity in the region."

C&W Communications will also launch local awareness campaigns encouraging customers to be vigilant and begin their preparations for the 2021 season.