

GOVERNMENT OF ST LUCIA

NOTICE OF COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

(Issued under the Commission of Inquiry Act, Cap. 17.03)

TAKE NOTICE THAT BY INSTRUMENT ISSUED BY HER EXCELLENCY DAME CALLIOPA PEARLETTE LOUISY, G.C.S.L., G.C.M.G., D. St.J., Ph.D, LL.D (Hon), AND DULY GAZETTED ON THE 29TH JANUARY 2009, A COMMISSION OF INQUIRY HAS BEEN DULY ISSUED AND THREE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED.

SIR FENTON RAMSAHOYE

MUSTAPHA IBRAHIM Esquire

JOHN REGINAL PHELPS DUMAS, Esquire

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER:

- A. THE COMMISSION SHALL COMMENCE ITS INQUIRY FROM ITS FIRST SITTING TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2009, TO THE 12TH MARCH 2009** AT THE **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**, GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF CASTRIES FROM **9:30 A.M.**
- B. THE **TERMS OF REFERENCE** OF THE COMMISSION ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- (1) To investigate the execution and administration of Road Development Projects (RDP) 001 and 002 undertaken by and on behalf of the Government of St. Lucia;
 - (2) To investigate the administration of the affairs of the National Conservation Authority (NCA) pursuant to its statutory powers during the period April 2000 to December 2004;
 - (3) To investigate the financial involvement of the Government of Saint Lucia in relation to payment of US\$17,092,350 to the Royal Merchant Bank of Trinidad and Tobago to satisfy debts owed by Frenwell Limited;
 - (4) To investigate any losses suffered by the Government of Saint Lucia in relation to payments and/or expenditure concerning the matters specified and referred to at (1) and (3) above;

- (5) To inquire into any losses suffered by the National Conservation Authority as a result of faults in administration in the period referred to in respect of the matters specified at (2) above;
- (6) To investigate whether any losses identified were the result of breaches of the civil and/or criminal law;
- (7) To investigate whether any losses suffered may be recoverable in civil proceedings;
- (8) To investigate whether in relation to numbers (1), (2) and (3) above there is or may be criminal liability which may be the subject of prosecution in the criminal courts;
- (9) To consider the conduct of persons concerned in the above matters under reference to determine whether they performed their duties and fulfilled their obligations in a manner which was lawful and proper.

And to make recommendations.

C. PERSONS OR COMPANIES WITH INFORMATION OR KNOWLEDGE PERTINENT TO THE ABOVE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND IN PARTICULAR ,Nos. (1), (2) AND (3), INCLUDING PERSONS OR COMPANIES WISHING TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS DETAILING THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE SAME ARE DULY NOTIFIED TO SUBMIT ALL OR ANY INFORMATION OR STATEMENTS TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION, MS. LYNDEL GUSTAVE OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

D. THE **COMMISSION SECRETARIAT** IS LOCATED ON THE **6TH FLOOR, FRANCIS COMPTON BUILDING, WATERFRONT, CASTRIES**, WHICH IS OPEN BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 AM AND 4:30 PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY. TELEPHONE, FAX NUMBERS AND THE EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE SECRETARIAT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

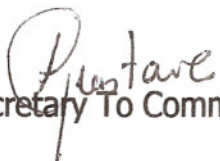
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Dated this 17th day of February 2009

Lyndel Gustave


Secretary To Commission