



*Ministry of Justice
Forensic Science Services Unit*

Post of Director

APPPLICATIONS are invited from suitably qualified persons for appointment to the post of Director, Forensic Science Services Unit, Ministry of Justice.

Qualifications:

Applicants should possess:

Masters degree in Forensic Science or in a related field plus three (3) years experience in a post at Grade 15 and above; or four (4) years post qualifying experience.

OR

Bachelors Degree in Forensic Science plus Post Graduate Diploma in a related field and three (3) years experience in a post at Grade 15 and above; or six (6) years post qualifying experience.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The successful applicant will be required to report to the Permanent Secretary. He/she will also be required to direct and coordinate the activities of the department in accordance with Governmental policies to obtain optimum efficiency and quality service.

He/she will also be regarded as Accounting Officer for the Department and will be required to manage the annual allocations in accordance with the Government Financial Rules.

All administrative exercises and scientific analyses are conducted in accordance with department's Standard

Operating Procedures and Quality Manual, which outlines the protocols and sets the standards for evaluating work criteria.

Administrative:

The applicant will be required to:

Develop a strategic plan for Unit.

Devise and implement policies in accordance with the objectives as set out in the Unit's strategic plan.

Manage annual financial allocation in accordance with Government Financial Rules and proper accounting principles, viz budget preparation.

Identify staffing positions and training requirements.

Develop administrative and technical protocols in pursuit of international accreditation of the laboratory.

Develop policies and procedures for the effective management of the Center's Laboratory Information Management Systems (BEAST).

Develop the security protocols for the department in conjunction with the Department of Defense and Security.

Develop and coordinate the Centre's educational programme.

Provide technical specification on scientific and administrative equipment.

Liaise with the Office of the Attorney General on relevant matters.

Technical:

Administer the case management of the centre.

Convene and chair the technical committee that oversees the implantation of scientific protocols, quality assurance and quality control procedures and in-house training of staff.

Convene and chair the research and development committee.

Supervise staff in enacting their duties for example court reporting and preparation of case reports.

Supervisory:

Direct management of the Administration and the Performance

Review and Development System (PRDS) exercise.

Direct management of Accounts.

Direct management of Security and the Electronic Security Systems.

Direct management of Informations Systems.

Direct management of Evidence Section.

Direct management of Laboratory Information Management Systems (BEAST).

Knowledge Requirement:

The applicant will also be required:

In addition to keeping abreast of technological changes within the discipline through research and reading there should be an in-depth knowledge of:

The departmental technical procedural manuals (Standard Operating Procedure manual SOPs);

Quality Assurance manual;

Pertinent Laws viz Drugs of Abuse and Prevention Act, Evidence Act;

Government Procedures;

Financial and Audit Rules;

General Orders;

Structure and functioning of the Public Service of Saint Lucia;

Relevant Labour and Employment regulations and legislation;

Knowledge of supervisory management principles and practices.

Skills:

The successful candidate will be required to:

Be highly proficient in written and oral communication.

Be familiar with the use of computer software applications and databases, that is, use a variety of computer databases and programmes in support of scientific activities such as computer software packages to write scientific reports and email to communicate with colleagues and Internet for research purposes.

Be able to demonstrate the capacity for quick, clear and analytical thinking.

Have good time management.

Work accurately under pressure.

Demonstrate a high level of professionalism and confidentiality.

Be innovative and capable of working without direct supervision.

Delegate tasks.

General:

May be required to occasionally work outside of regular working hours.

May be required to work off site if the scientific analyses require and therefore be exposed to varying work environments and conditions.

Conditions:

The successful applicant will be provided with accommodation in the Forensic Science Services Unit.

Performance will be evaluated twice yearly.

Opportunities exist for personal development and career advancement through general and specialized training.

Salary is in accordance with the terms stipulated by the Government in the Estimates of Expenditure.

The post is non-pensionable.

Salary:

Salary is at the rate \$65,170.94 (Grade 18) per annum.

Applications on the prescribed form along with Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of documents pertaining to qualifications plus two (2) recent testimonials should be addressed to:

The Secretary
Public Service Commission
Block 'A'
Waterfront
CASTRIES

To reach her no later than July 4, 2008.

Inland Revenue Department

**Post of
Senior Tax Inspector II, I**

Classification : 12 & 14

Reports To : Tax Audit Supervisor

Supervises : Nil

Objectives:

Tax Auditors are responsible for examining accounting books and records of business firms to determine the tax liability. Work requires considerable skill in meeting the public and involves interpreting laws and regulations relating to the administration and enforcement of The Tax Act.

Relationships and responsibilities:

The Tax Auditor works under the general supervision of a Tax Audit Supervisor.

Duties and Tasks:

Independently applies the Law in the analysis of taxpayer records;

Independently conducts and completes audit work in compliance with the Tax Laws of St. Lucia;

Compiles spreadsheets, audit notes and analyses which meet established standard policy requirements and procedures;

Attends meetings or works at the taxpayer's business location, or the taxpayer's appointed representatives location, to compile financial information from the taxpayers records;

Follows and documents the audit trail in the audit file and on SIGTAS for each assigned audit;

Writes audit findings and conclusion.

Examines and verifies accuracy of bookkeeping records such as invoices sales journals, general ledgers, bank statements and inventory entries to determine tax liability and procedural propriety in accordance with the Tax Laws;

Educates business managers in computing and reporting taxes due by explaining legal requirements, rules, regulations, procedures;

Demonstrates continuous effort to improve operations, decrease turnaround times streamline work

processes, and work individually and jointly to provide quality seamless customer service;

Knowledge of:

Office Procedures

Micro computers, electronic worksheets

Common business practices relating to the keeping of accounting books and other financial record.

Generally Accepted Auditing and Accounting Principles, Standards and Procedures

Ability to:

Apply Generally Accepted Procedures in the conduct and completion of Audit work.

Learn job-related material primarily through oral instruction and observation to effectively perform job duties. This learning takes place mainly in an on-the-job setting.

Communicate orally with taxpayers, co-workers, and the public in face-to-face one-on-one settings, using a telephone, or in group settings.

Produce written documents with clearly organized thoughts using proper sentence construction, punctuation and grammar in written letters and notes for audit files.

Comprehend and make inferences from written material such as taxpayer records, hearing rulings, tax laws, and policy statements.

Enter data or information into various databases used by the Department, and to prepare spreadsheets and analyses for use by the Department.

Skills:

Strong analytical skills

Ability to interpret figures and analyze financial data

Communications Skill

Ability to work independently

Aptitude in problem solving

Time management and organizational skills

Efficiency, honesty, accuracy and discretion

Ability to work with other professionally

Other:

Versed in the use of Excel and Word

Exposure to an Accounting package such as Peachtree, AcPac

Ownership of and a valid driver's license.

Qualifications & Experience:

Level 2 – ACCA plus 4 years experience

Level 3 – CGA plus 4 years experience

BSc Accounting and 6 years experience

Conditions:

Congenial office accommodation is provided.

Institutional support is provided through appropriate Civil Service Regulations, Statutory Instruments, Collective Agreements and Departmental guidelines.

Contractual appointment.

Salary is in accordance with Classification Scale of the St. Lucia Public Service. Performance will be evaluated bi-annually.

Evaluation Method:

Work performance will be evaluated on the basis of the following:

Timely completion of tasks.

Ability to meet task deadlines.

Quality of reports and presentation.

Compliance with Departmental guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures.

Effective implementation of duties, responsibilities and assignment as defined in the job description.

Applications should be submitted to:

Comptroller
Inland Revenue Department
Heraldine Rock Building
Waterfront
CASTRIES

Deadline For Submission Is July 24, 2008.

Inland Revenue Department

**Post of
Senior Tax Inspector III**

Classification : 16

Reports To : Assistant Comptroller

Supervises : Tax Auditors

Objectives:

The objective of this classification is to examine highly complex accounting and related records of business firms to determine tax liability. A Senior Tax Inspector III, acts as lead auditor on assignments utilizing other auditors as needed and providing guidance and reinforcing training in a field environment to these auditors. Work requires a high degree of tact, diplomacy, courtesy in working with the business community. Assignment of the more complex audits, greater latitude to exercise independent judgment, and lead responsibilities distinguish this classification from the Tax Auditor. The Senior Tax Auditor works under the general supervision of the Assistant Comptroller- Audit.

Duties and tasks:

Acts as a lead auditor, supervising junior auditors in the performance of work assignments where joint effort is utilized;

Independently conducts large scale, highly complex audits of a special or difficult nature;

Analyzes and evaluates accounting and auditing problems, develops and recommends effective auditing procedures and programs;

Trains junior auditors in audit procedures;

Compiles spreadsheets, audit notes, and analyses which meet established

standards policy requirements and procedures.

Determines Tax Liability from taxpayer records or other available information;

Examines, compares, reviews financial records of businesses to determine tax liability, propriety and general compliance with Tax Laws;

Attends meetings or works at the taxpayer's business location, or the taxpayer's appointed representative's location, to compile financial information from the taxpayers records;

Follows and documents the audit trail in the audit file and on SIGTAS for each assigned audit;

Writes audit findings and conclusion summaries;

Educates business managers in computing and reporting taxes due by explaining legal requirements, rules, regulations, procedures.

Demonstrates continuous effort to improve operations, decrease turnaround times, streamline work processes, and work co-operatively and jointly to provide quality seamless customer service.

Knowledge of:

Office Procedures

Micro computers, electronic worksheets.

Common business practices relating to the keeping of accounting books and other financial record.

Generally Accepted Auditing and Accounting Principles, Standards and Procedures

Ability to:

Perform lead responsibilities over junior auditors.

Learn job-related material primarily through oral instruction and observation to effectively perform job duties. This learning takes place mainly in an on-the-job setting.

Communicate orally with taxpayers, co-workers, and the public in face-to-face one-on-one settings, using a telephone, or in group settings.

Produce written documents with clearly organized thoughts using proper sentence construction, punctuation and grammar to write letters and notes for audit files.

Comprehend and make inferences from written material such as taxpayer records, hearing rulings, tax codes, and policy statements.

Enter data or information into various databases to prepare spreadsheets and analyses for Departmental use.

Qualifications & Experience:

Qualified ACCA plus 4 years experience

Qualified CGA plus 4 years experience

Qualified CPA plus 4 years experience

Qualified CA plus 4 years experience

Skills:

- Strong analytical skills
- Ability to interpret figures and analyze financial data
- Communications Skill
- Ability to work independently
- Aptitude in problem solving
- Time management and organizational skills
- Efficiency, honesty, accuracy and discretion

Ability to work with other professionally

Ability to supervise.

Other:

Versed in the use of Excel and Word

Exposure to an Accounting package such as Peachtree, AcPac

Ownership of a Personal vehicle and a valid driver's license.

Conditions:

Congenial office accommodation is provided.

Institutional support is provided through appropriate Civil Service Regulations, Statutory Instruments, Collective Agreements and Departmental guidelines.

Contractual appointment.

Salary is in accordance with Classification Scale of the St. Lucia Public Service. Performance will be evaluated bi-annually.

Evaluation Method:

Work performance will be evaluated on the basis of the following:

Timely completion of tasks.

Ability to meet task deadlines.

Quality of reports and presentation.

Compliance with Departmental guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures.

Effective implementation of duties, responsibilities and assignment as defined in the job description.

Applications should be submitted to:

Comptroller
Inland Revenue Department
Heraldine Rock Building
Waterfront
CASTRIES

Deadline For Submission is July 24, 2008.

*Ministry of Social Transformation,
Youth and Sports*

Post of Instructor (Building Trades)

APPLICATIONS are invited from suitably qualified persons for appointment to the post of Instructor (Building Trades) Ministry of Social Transformation, Youth and Sports (Boys Training Centre).

Qualifications:

Applicants should possess:

A Bachelor's Degree in Construction Management, Building Technology or a related field of studies plus two (2) years experience in a post at grade 8

OR

Diploma in Construction Management, Building Technology or a related field, plus three (3) years experience in a post at grade 10 and above;

OR

Associate Degree in Building Technology from Sir Arthur Lewis Community College or a recognized University/College plus 9 years experience in a post at grade 10 or above.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The successful applicant will be required to work under the direction of and reports to the Manager Boys Training Centre. He/she will also be required to respond whenever necessary to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Social Transformation, Youth and Sports on matters related to work in progress.

The applicant will be required to:

Provide practical experience in the manufacturing of furniture as required by the Centre;

Provide practical experience involving routine repairs and maintenance work on all buildings and furniture of the centre;

Maintain, purchase, store and keep inventory of materials of shop and adjacent areas;

Participate in field trips and assemblies upon request of the Manager;

Attend case conferences and contribute to the deliberation on the academic, social and vocational adjustment of each individual;

Prepare evaluation on each individual when required by the Manager;

Supervise boys individually or in groups as specific assignments may require.

Perform any other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Manager of the Centre.

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities:

The successful applicant should:

Demonstrate a level of maturity to cope adequately with the varied problems and challenges encountered in the line of duty;

Demonstrate leadership qualities and have the capacity to guide and facilitate the region assigned to:

Decisiveness, soundness of judgment and clarity in issuing directives.

A working knowledge of and ability to interpret Civil Service Rules and Regulations and operating Procedures, Staff Order, Financial and Store Rules, Collective Agreements, etc.

Knowledge of the standard operating procedures contained in the Ministry's operations Manual

Conditions:

Accommodation provided in general office.

Institutional support will be provided through appropriate Civil Service Regulations and departmental guidelines.

Opportunities exist for personal development and career advancement through orientation and general specialized in-service training.

Salary will be in accordance with the terms and conditions stipulated by Government in the Estimates of expenditure/Collective Agreements.

This post is non pensionable.

Salary:

Salary is at the rate of \$38,499.31 (Grade 10) per annum.

Applications on the prescribed form along with the Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of documents pertaining to qualifications plus two (2) recent testimonials should be addressed to:

The Secretary
Public Service Commission
Sir Stanislaus James Bunding
The Waterfront
Castries
St. Lucia

To reach her no later than, July 11, 2008.



Notice of Dissolution

SCHRADER CAMARGO SAINT LUCIA LIMITED

IBC No.: 2002 - 00317
("the Company")

THE undersigned as Liquidator of the above named Company does hereby give notice under Section 94(8) of the International Business Companies Act Cap. 12.14 of the Revised Laws, 2001, that the Company has been dissolved, that a Certificate of Dissolution has been issued, and the Company has been struck-off the Register.

Dated this 27th June, 2008

Roberto Schrader
Liquidator

*Ministry of Physical Development,
The Environment, Housing, Urban
Renewal and Local Government*

Tender for Surveyors

THE Government of Saint Lucia through the Ministry of Physical Development, The Environment, Housing, Urban Renewal and Local Government invites qualified surveyors to tender for the surveying of the following parcels of land.

Lot 1: Castries/Gros Islet / Road Widening - various parcels

Lot 2: Bella Rosa Road Link to the Beausejour Cricket Ground- various parcels

Interested parties may wish to tender for only one lot, all the lots or a combination of lots.

The 'Terms of Reference' for the services to be done can be collected from the Office of the Deputy Chief Surveyor.

For each lot selected the tenderer must provide a schedule and a cost. All proposals must be addressed to:

The Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Physical Development,
The Environment, Housing Urban
Renewal and Local Government
3rd Floor, Graeham Louisy
Administrative Building
Waterfront, Castries

Below the address on the envelope should be written:

Surveying Services - Confidential

Proposals in carefully sealed envelopes should reach the Office of the Permanent Secretary no later than 12 noon Friday 1st August, 2008.

Permanent Secretary

**Customs Exchange Rates
Effective Monday,
30th June, 2008**

\$ \$ \$ \$

IT is notified for general information that under the provisions of section 78 (2) of the Customs (Control and Management) Act No. 23 of 1990 as amended that the under-mentioned rates of exchange shall be used for determining their equivalent in E.C. dollars.

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| U. K. Pound | 5.3291 |
| U.S.A | 2.7169 |
| Canadian Dollar | 2.6669 |
| D.Krs. (Danish Kroners) | 0.5656 |
| NZ (New Zealand Dollar) | 1.7085 |
| Australian Dollar | 2.5821 |
| Jamaican Dollar | 0.0377 |
| Japanese Yen | 0.0251 |

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|--------------------------|--------|
| Guyanese Dollar | 0.0135 |
| Swedish Kroners | 0.4487 |
| Venezuelan Bolivars | 0.0013 |
| Barbados Dollar | 1.3542 |
| Euro | 4.2187 |
| Swiss Franc | 2.6080 |
| Trinidad & Tobago Dollar | 0.4545 |

TERENCE LEONARD,
Comptroller of Customs & Excise.

First District Court

ALL persons who are qualified or claim to be qualified to serve as Jurors are to submit to the District Court Offices by July 31st, 2008, the following information:

Names, places of abode, and descriptions and the nature and amount of their property and qualification.

Persons may also forward their names and accompanying information to the following e-mail address: fdc@eccourts.org

For additional information, kindly contact the following persons:

Court Administrator
1st and 2nd District Courts
Telephone: 453-0944/452-2520

Senior Executive Officer
1st and 2nd District Courts
Telephone: 453-2657/452-2520

Executive Officer
2nd District Court
Vieux Fort
Telephone: 454-3314/454-6225

The Public is also referred to the St. Lucia Gazette publications for the month of July 2008 for further information.

Your Justice System Jury Duty Part I

The Criminal Code mandates that the Magistrate shall compile a list of persons qualified to serve as jurors.

Jury Duty Is Civic Duty

When you assume the responsibility of being a juror, you are taking on the

responsibility of directly participating in the Justice System to ensure that justice is done.

The word responsibility is important to note for, as a juror, you will be making important and sometimes difficult decisions that may affect the lives of freedom of other people.

When you perform jury duty, you also reap rewards of learning about aspects of justice and the Justice System.

Qualification For Jury Service

A person is qualified to serve as a Juror if he or she can speak, read and Write English; has not been convicted of any infamous offence, but if so convicted has received a full pardon; is a citizen of Saint Lucia; or is a citizen of a CARICOM Member State ordinarily resident of St. Lucia for two years; or is a Commonwealth citizen ordinarily resident in St. Lucia for not less than two years.

Exemption From Jury Service

The following persons are exempted from serving on juries: Members of Parliament; Offices of the Courts of Justice; Members of the Royal St. Lucia Police Force; Practising Attorneys at Law and their Clerks; Priests and Ministers of Religion; Registered Medical Practitioners.

Note: Public Servants are NO longer exempted from jury service

Part II Who Is A Juror?

A Juror is a person sworn to deliver a verdict upon evidence delivered to him/her touching on an issue.

What Is The Function Of A Juror?

As a Juror you will sit on a panel with other persons and you will listen to the testimony of the witnesses.

In The High Court

After hearing all witnesses, you will then meet in private with the other Jurors and decide upon the guilt or innocence of the Accused person.

In The Coroner's Court

After hearing all witnesses, you will then meet in private with the other Jurors

to decide on the following persons:

Who is the Deceased?

What age was the Deceased at the time of death?

When did the Deceased die?

Where did the Deceased die?

How and after what manner did the Deceased die?

Location of High Court and Coroner's Court

The High Court:

The High Court is located in Castries in the Court House, Peynier Street and the Building on the Corner of Micoud and Manoel Streets (known as the Old Peter and Company Building)

Coroner's Court

The Magistrate's Court in each District is also the Coroner's Court.

Summons

If you are summoned to appear as a Juror in a Court, please read your summons carefully to see in which Court you are to appear.

Presiding Officer

In the High Court, the Judge and in the Coroner's Court, the Coroner will record or cause the evidence to be recorded; her she will give directions to the Jury.

The Coroner is a Magistrate or other duly appointed persons.

All persons who are qualified or claim to be qualified to Serve as jurors are to report or forward their relevant Information to the district court offices as follows:

Location date

First District Court Office
Cnr. of Peynier & St. louis Streets
Castries
Thursday July 31st, 2008

Second District Court Office
Cnr. Church &: Theodore Streets
Vieux Fort
Thursday July 31st 2008

E-Mail

Persons may also forward their names and accompanying information

to the following e-mail address of the District Court: fdc@eccourts.org

For additional information, kindly contact the following persons:

Court Administrator
1st & 2nd District Courts
Telephone # 453-0944/452-2520

Senior Executive Officer
1st & 2nd District Courts
Telephone #453-2657/452-2520

Executive Officer
2nd District Court
Vieux Fort
Telephone #454-3314/454-6225

**Play A Part In Your Justice System
And Become A Juror**

*Special Development Areas Act,
Cap. 15.29*

**MONZUR SALOUM AND
CURTRISSE SALOUM**

IN exercise of the power conferred by section 4 of the Special Development Areas Act, Cap. 15.29, the Minister responsible for Finance designates Monzur Saloum and Curtrisse Saloum as an approved developer to facilitate the expansion of commercial or industrial building including office complexes to the Vieux Fort South area for a period of three months commencing from May 16th, 2008 subject to the condition that a waiver of 50% shall apply to the \$10,800.00 in stamp duty payable on the purchase of land registered as Block No. 1217C, Parcel No. 512 together with appurtenances or dependencies thereon, from Valmont Development Company Limited.

STEPHENSON KING
Minister responsible for Finance

*Special Development Areas Act,
Cap. 15.29*

**PACKAGING SOLUTIONS
LTD.**

IN exercise of the power conferred by section 4 of the Special Development Areas Act, Cap.15.29, the Minister

responsible for Finance designates Packaging Solutions Ltd. as an approved developer for a period of three months commencing from May 16th, 2008 subject to the condition that a waiver of 30% shall apply to the \$60,750.00 in Vendor's Tax payable on the sale of land registered as Block No. 1018B, Parcel No. 603 to New Frontier Industries Limited.

STEPHENSON KING,
Minister responsible for Finance.

Judicial Sales

NOTICE is hereby given that the immovable property hereinafter described will be put up for Sale and Adjudication by the Sheriff, or her Officer, at the Court House or at the Registrar's Office in the City of Castries, on the day of Sale hereinafter stated for each property between the hours of ten and eleven o'clock in the forenoon by the Court House clock.

The purchase money shall be payable as follows:

1. The Officer conducting the sale shall require from the Bidder a deposit or a certified banker's cheque in the sum of NINE HUNDRED AND SEVEN DOLLARS AND SEVEN CENTS (\$907.07) paid to Accountant General equal to one tenth of the debt (in principal, interest and costs) due to the seizing party.
2. The Purchaser shall pay the Sheriff the Purchase price less the deposit within six months of the date of sale with interest thereon at the rate of six percent per annum. In default of such payment the deposit paid by the Purchaser shall be forfeited and shall be applied towards the Judgement Debt.

SAINT LUCIA
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
(CIVIL)

Claim No. SLUHCV 2005/0053

Between :

LINMORE INTERNATIONAL
HOUSE LIMITED

Claimant

and

(1) HYACINTHA LEWIS a.k.a.
LYDIA LEWIS

Defendant

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of Judgement of the High Court dated 25th day of April, 2005 against the Defendant herein and Writ of Execution Returnable on the 18th day of September, 2008, there will be put up for Sale and Adjudication by the Sheriff or her Officer to the highest bidder in the High Court House, on Peynier Street, in the City of Castries on Tuesday the 26th day of August, 2008 at ten o'clock in the forenoon the following immovable property of the Defendant to wit:

SCHEDULE

BLOCK 1048 B PARCEL 412

All that piece or parcel of land measuring FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY FOUR SQUARE FEET (5,344 Sq. Ft.) situate at Morne Dudon, in the Registration Quarter of Castries in the State of Saint Lucia and registered in the Land Registry of Saint Lucia as Block 1048B Parcel 412, and bounded as follows:

On the NORTH by a Drain Reserve; On the SOUTH a Road, On the EAST by Lot No. 56 and on the WEST by a Road, or howsoever otherwise the same may be bounded or contained. Together with all appurtenances and dependencies thereof, including the Building erected thereon.

TITLE: Deed of Sale by The Roman Catholic Bishop in Saint Lucia to Lydia Lewis executed before Andre Thomas Maurice Arthur, Notary Royal on the 4th day of September 1998 and registered in the Land Registry in the State of Saint Lucia on the 22nd day of September 1998 as Instrument No. 3813/98.

Upset Price: \$281,432.00

Sheriff's Office
Peynier Street, Castries

[First Publication]

ECCB'S APRIL UNAUDITED BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

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| Demand liabilities - domestic | 2,166,927,255 |
| Demand liabilities - foreign | 8,146,030 |
| IMF government general resource accounts | 875,938 |
| Other liabilities and payables | <u>947,895</u> |

Total liabilities **2,176,897,118**

EQUITY

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| General reserve | 120,921,510 |
| Other reserves | <u>101,389,290</u> |

222,310,800

TOTAL **2,399,207,918**

ASSETS:

FOREIGN ASSETS

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|--|----------------------|
| Regional and foreign currencies | 94,778,276 |
| Balances with other central banks | 8,056,674 |
| Balances with foreign banks | 112,289 |
| Money market instruments and money at call | 995,663,804 |
| Foreign investment securities | <u>1,094,352,386</u> |

2,192,963,429

DOMESTIC ASSETS:

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|--|-------------------|
| Balances with local banks | 219,846 |
| Term deposits | 9,887,150 |
| Domestic investment securities | 270,000 |
| Participating government securities | 23,583,242 |
| Due from participating governments | 7,499,792 |
| Accounts receivable and prepaid expenses | 35,449,970 |
| Investments in associated undertakings | 4,870,282 |
| Investment in subsidiary | 20 |
| Intangible Assets | 163,852 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 109,287,335 |
| Pension asset | <u>15,013,000</u> |

206,244,489

TOTAL **2,399,207,918**

Proportion of Foreign Reserve Assets held under Article 24 (2) of the ECCB Agreement as a Percentage of Demand Liabilities is: 100.85%


DEPUTY GOVERNOR

NOTICE

SAINT LUCIA

DECLARATION OF ACQUISITION PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 OF THE LAND ACQUISITION ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 5.04)

And

IN THE MATTER of a Declaration by the Governor General acting on the advice of Cabinet that a Parcel of land situate at Belle Vue, Quarter of Choiseul in the island of Saint Lucia is likely to be acquired for a public purpose.

DECLARATION OF ACQUISITION OF LAND

WHEREAS, it is enacted by Section 3 of the Land Acquisition Ordinance Chapter 5.04 that if the Governor General acting on the advice of Cabinet considers that any land should be acquired for a public purpose, she may cause a Declaration to that effect to be made;

AND WHEREAS, it is considered by the Governor General acting on the advice of Cabinet that the lands mentioned and described in the Schedule hereto should be acquired for a public purpose to wit: **Road Improvements.**

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby declared by the Governor General acting in accordance with the advice of Cabinet, that upon the Second Publication of this Declaration in the Gazette, the lands mentioned in the schedule hereto shall be vested absolutely for public purpose to wit: **Road Improvements.**

SCHEDULE 1

All that piece of land being part of Parcel 0426B 28 (Lot 1) situate at Belle Vue, in the Quarter of Choiseul belonging to Ismelda Maruis and Clive Hippolyte is bounded as follows:

- North** : By remainder of Parcel 0426B 28
- South** : By Parcel 0426B 119
- East** : By remainder of Parcel 0426B 28
- West** : By the public road

The whole containing (Lot 1) measuring 8,577 square feet or 796.9 square meters as shown on Plan of Survey by Andre St. Rose, Staff Surveyor dated May 26th, 2008 and lodged in the Survey Office on June 13th, 2008 as Drawing No. Ch 847 K and recorded a.s SM 274/2008.

Together with any other easements which may be necessary.

Dated this 25th day of June, 2008.

COSMOS RICHARDSON.
Secretary to the Cabinet

[First Publication]

NOTICE

SAINT LUCIA

IN THE MATTER of the Land Acquisition Ordinance Chapter 5.04.

And

IN THE MATTER of a Notification by the Governor General, acting on the advice of Cabinet that part of certain parcels of land situate at Savannah Haut, Quarter of Dauphin in the island of Saint Lucia are likely to be acquired for a public purpose.

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS it is enacted by section 4 of the Land Acquisition Ordinance Chapter 5.04 that if it appears to the Governor General acting on the advice of Cabinet that any land is likely to be required for a public purpose and it is necessary to make a preliminary surveyor or other investigation of the lands she may cause a Notification to that effect to be published in the Gazette.

AND WHEREAS it is considered by the Governor General acting on the advice of Cabinet, that part of certain parcels of land situate at Savannah Haut, in the Quarter of Dauphin is likely to be required for a public purpose to wit: **Access.**

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby notified by the Governor General acting in accordance with the advice of Cabinet, that part of certain parcels of land mentioned in the schedule hereto is likely to be required for a public purpose, to wit: **Access.**

SCHEDULE

The following are the names and parcel numbers of owners from whose land portions are likely to be required for Access

| Block and Parcel No. | Ownership |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Part of 1648B 42 | Augustin Demay as Executor of the Estate of Louis Louisy and Dorleans Benjamin |
| Part of 1649B 25 | Heirs of Charles Charlouis, Heirs of Agene Charlouis and Heirs of Elmire Charlouis |

Together with any other easements which may be necessary.

Dated this 25th day of June, 2008.

COSMOS RICHARDSON.
Secretary to the Cabinet

[First Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (CIVIL)

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2007/1109

BETWEEN:

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Claimant

and

(1) TACQUINN D. SOOCHAN

Defendant

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that a Claim has been filed in the High Court of Justice, Saint Lucia Claim Number SLUHCV2007/1109 against you by the Claimant, THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

SERVICE pursuant to Rule 5.13 CPR 2000 of the Claim Form and Statement of Claim and all other proceedings in this matter will be effected on you through advertisements in two consecutive issues of the Official Gazette and in two publications in a newspaper circulating in Saint Lucia.

IF YOUR DESIRE to defend this action or to be heard you must within twenty (28) days of the last publication file an Acknowledgement of Service at the Registry of the High Court of Justice, Peynier Street in the City of Castries in this Island.

THE Claim Form and Statement of Claim must be viewed at the High Court Office at Peynier Street, Castries, Saint Lucia, Telephone Number 1 (758) 453-1916, Facsimile Number 1 (758) 453-2071, e-mail address: stluhco@candw.lc. The office is open between 9:00a.m to 2:00p.m Monday to Thursday and 9:00am to 3:00pm on Fridays except public holidays.

Dated this 6th day of March, 2008.

THE LAW OFFICES OF WILLIAMS & FRASER

Per:
GERALD RUSSELL WILLIAMS Esq.
Legal Practitioner for the Claimant

The Court office is at Peynier Street, Castries telephone number 453-1916, FAX 453-2071 e-mail address: stluhco@candw.lc. The office is open between 9:00a.m to 2:00p.m Monday to Thursday and 9:00am to 3:00pm on Fridays except public holidays.

The Claimant's address for service is: THE LAW OFFICES OF WILLIAMS & FRASER # 35, Chisel Street, Top Floor, S & S Building, Castries, Saint Lucia. E-mail address: lawpillars@candw.lc Tel: 459-0226/7 Fax: 1 (758) 459-0229.

[First Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (CIVIL)

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0190

BETWEEN:

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Claimant

and

- (1) GREGORY CHESTER THOMAS
- (2) THERESA THOMAS

Defendants

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that a Claim has been filed in the High Court of Justice, Saint Lucia Claim Number SLUHCV2008/0190 against you by the Claimant, THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

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Dated this 6th day of March, 2008.

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Per:
GERALD RUSSELL WILLIAMS Esq.
Legal Practitioner for the Claimant

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[First Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0543

BETWEEN:

NATIONAL INSURANCE CORPORATION

Claimant

and

(1) SIMON STANISLAUS (also known as SIMON STANISLACES)

Defendants

TO: (1) SIMON STANISLAUS (also known as SIMON STANISLACES) whose last known address was Bonne Terre in the quarter of Gros Islet

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Claimant National Insurance Corporation has filed a claim against you in the High Court of Justice, St Lucia in Claim No. SLUHCY2008/0543.

AND IT HAS BEEN ORDERED that service of the Claim Form in this action be effected on you by advertisement in two (2) consecutive issues of the Official Gazette and in two (2) consecutive issues of a Newspaper circulating in Saint Lucia.

The Claim Form and Statement of Claim can be viewed at the High Court at Peynier Street, Castries, Saint Lucia or at the National Insurance Corporation Office 1st Floor, Francis Compton Building, John Compton Highway in the City of Castries in the State of Saint Lucia.

IF YOU DESIRE to defend this action or to be heard you must within twenty-eight (28) days of the last publication file an Acknowledgement of Service at the Registry of the High Court of Justice, Peynier Street in the City of Castries in this Island.

IN DEFAULT of filing such Acknowledgement of Service within the time stipulated, the Court may hear the case in your absence without further notice and judgment may be granted in favour of the Claimant.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2008.

RAQUEL WILLIE-TROTMAN
Legal Practitioner for the Claimant

The Court Office is at Peynier Street, telephone number 453-1916, Fax 453-2071; E-mail:stluhco@candw.lc. The office is open between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. from Monday to Thursday and on Friday from 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. except public holidays.

This Notice is filed on behalf of the National Insurance Corporation by Raquel Willie-Trotman, Legal Practitioner for the Claimant whose address is 1st Floor, Francis Compton Building, John Compton Highway in the City of Castries in the State of Saint Lucia, Telephone Number 452 2808, Fax Number 451-9882.

[First Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0609

BETWEEN:

FIRST CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK (BARBADOS) LIMITED
formerly BARCLAYS BANK PLC

Claimant

and

- (1) MEDIACRAFT PRODUCTIONS LTD.
 - (2) WILLIAM MORTLEY and
 - (3) JULIA MORTLEY
- Both formerly of Reduit Park, Gros Islet

Defendants

TO: (1) WILLIAM MORTLEY
(2) JULIA MORTLEY whose last known address was Reduit Park, Gros Islet
(3) MEDIACRAFT PRODUCTIONS LTD. with last known registered address as Jeremie Street, Castries

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that an action has been commenced against the above in the High Court of Justice Saint Lucia No. SLUHCV2008/0609 by FIRSTCARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK (BARBADOS) LIMITED formerly BARCLAYS BANK PLC in which the Claimant Claims liquidated damages.

AND service of the Notice of the Claim Form in this action on you is being effected by this advertisement in two consecutive issues of the local Newspaper circulating in St. Lucia and two consecutive issues of the *Official Gazette*.

The Claim and Statement of Claim can be viewed at the High Court Office at Peynier Street, Castries, Saint Lucia or at the Chambers of McNamara & Co., 20 Micoud Street, Castries, Saint Lucia.

If you desire to defend the said action you must within 28 days of the last publication of this advertisement enter an acknowledgement of service, and within 42 days of the last publication of this advertisement enter a Defence, at the Registry of the High Court of Justice in the City of Castries, and serve the Defence on the Claimant.

In default of such acknowledgement and/or Defence the Claimant will be entitled to apply to have judgment entered against you. If the Claimant does so, you will have no right to be heard by the Court except as to costs or the method of paying any judgment unless you apply to set judgment aside.

Dated this 26th day of June, 2008.

McNAMARA & CO.
Legal Practitioner for the Claimant

Per:
ZINAIDA C. McNAMARA

This Court Office is at fernier Street, Castries, Saint Lucia, Telephone No. (758) 453-1916, Fax No.(758) 453-1917. The Office is open between 9:00am and 2:00pm Monday to Friday except public holidays. This Notice is being filed by : McNamara & Co., Chambers, 20 Micoud Street, Castries, Saint Lucia, Telephone: (758) 452-2662, Fax: (758) 452-3885, email: mcnamara.co@candw.lc

[First Publication]

IN THE LAND REGISTRY

IN THE MATTER of an application under Section 94 and 95 of the Land Registration Act Ch. 5:01 of the Revised Laws of Saint Lucia 2001

and

IN THE MATTER of the West Indies Associated States Supreme Court Prescription by Thirty years (Declaration of Title) Saint Lucia Rules Cap. 2.01 of the Revised Laws of Saint Lucia 2001

SUMMONS

WHEREAS JULIAN SYLVESTER and BARTHOLOMEW SYLVESTER both of Malgretoute in the quarter of Soufriere, by Their Petition filed in the Land Registry on the 11th day of June 2008 claim to have acquired title by thirty (30) years prescription to the property described in the schedule hereto and has applied to the Registrar of Lands for a declaration of title.

ALL PERSONS claiming an interest in the said property are hereby required to enter an appearance in person or by Attorney-at-Law and submit such claims to the Registrar of Lands, Land Registry, Ground Floor Graeham Louisy Administrative Building, Waterfront, Castries within two months from the date of the last publication of this Summons which is being published twice in the Gazette and a newspaper circulating in Saint Lucia.

SCHEDULE

All that piece or parcel of Land situate at Malgretoute in the quarter of Soufriere comprising approximately 4.0 hectares and registered in the Land Registry as Block 0029B Parcel 19 and bounded as follows:

- North:** Partly by Block 0029B parcel 25 registered in the name of Anne Mary Cecile Beausoliel and partly by Block 0029B 18 registered in the names of Estephanie Michel & John Ubaldus Sylvester as trustees for sale.
- South:** Partly by Block 0029B parcel 21 registered in the name of Morrison Yarde and partly by Block 0029B parcel 24 registered in the Crown
- East:** Partly by Block 0029B parcel 18 registered in the name of Estephanie Michel & John Ubaldus Sylvester as trustees for sale and partly by block 0029B 21 registered in the name of Morrison Yarde
- West:** By block 0029B 24 registered in the Crown.

PAUL POPO,
Deputy Registrar of Lands (Ag)

[Second Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0447

BETWEEN:

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Claimant

and

(1) NATHALIE AURELIEN

Defendant

TO: (1) NATHALIE AURELIEN whose last known address was Corinth
in the quarter of Gros Islet in Saint Lucia

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that a Claim has been filed in the High Court of Justice, St. Lucia No. SLUHCV2008/0447 against you by the Claimant, Royal Bank of Canada.

SERVICE pursuant to Rule 5.13 CPR 2000 of the Claim Form and Statement of Claim and all other proceedings in this matter will be effected on you through advertisements in two issues of the Official Gazette and in two publications in a newspaper circulating in Saint Lucia.

IF YOU DESIRE to defend this action or to be heard you must within twenty eight (28) days of the last publication file an Acknowledgment of Service at the Registry of the High Court of Justice, Peynier Street in the city of Castries in this Island.

IN DEFAULT of filing Acknowledgment of Service within the time stipulated, the court may hear the case in your absence without further notice and Judgment may be granted in favour of the Claimant.

THE Claim Form and Statement of Claim and be viewed at the High Court Office at Peynier Street, Castries, Saint Lucia telephone number 453-1916, Fax 453-1917. The office is open between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Mondays to Thursdays and between 9:00a.m to 3:00p.m on Fridays expect public holidays.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2008.

FLOISSAC FLEMING & ASSOCIATES

Per:
CHERYL C. GODDARD-DORVILLE
Legal Practitioner for the Claimant

This Notice is filed by Floissac Fleming & Associates, Solicitors for the Claimant, Cnr. Brazil and Mongiraud Streets, Castries, Saint Lucia, Tel: 452-2887/452-3250, Fax 453-149.6, Email: ffa@candw.lc

[Second Publication]

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SAINT LUCIA

Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0391

BETWEEN:

FIRST CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK (BARBADOS) LIMITED

Claimant/Applicant

and

(1) CALLISTA MC LAWRENCE

(2) CRYSTAL MC LAWRENCE

Defendant

TO: CRYSTAL MC LAWRENCE Second Named Defendant whose last known address was Sunny Acres,
in the quarter of Castries of Saint Lucia

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Claimant FIRSTCARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK (BARBADOS) LIMITED has filed a Claim Form against you in the High Court of Justice, Saint Lucia, in Claim No. SLUHCV2008/0391 for which the Claimant claims sums due and owing by you pursuant to a loan agreement dated 10 November, 2005.

AND service of the Claim Form indorsed with the Statement of Claim in this action and other documents filed herein is effected on you by advertisement of this Notice in two (2) consecutive issues of a local Newspaper circulating in Saint Lucia and two (2) consecutive issues of the official Gazette of Saint Lucia.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that if you desire to defend this action, you must within twenty-eight (28) days of the last publication of this advertisement, file an Acknowledgment of Service at the Registry of the High Court of Justice, Peynier Street, Castries, St. Lucia.

IN DEFAULT of such Acknowledgment of Service, judgment may be entered against you.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2008.

FLOISSAC FLEMING & ASSOCIATES

Per:

RENEE T. ST. ROSE

Legal Practitioners for the Claimant

Presented for filing by: Peter I. Foster & Associates, Legal Practitioners for the Claimant, whose address for service is: Chambers, Suite No.1, 151 Floor, 25 Brazil Street, Castries, St. Lucia. West Indies. Tel. No.: 758 453-1100, Fax No.: 758 452-4940, E-mail: contact@giflaw.com. The Court Office is at Peynier Street, Castries, Tel. No. 758 453-1916, Fax No. 758 453-1917. The Office is open between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Monday to Thursday and between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Friday except public holidays. Email stlhco@candw.lc

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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

THE public is hereby notified that, effective 5th June, 2008 and until further notice, I Hon. Stephenson King, Minister of Finance, acting in accordance with the Consumption Tax (Amendment) (No.92) Order 2000, approve the following rates of consumption tax as corresponding to the description of goods and HS Tariff Numbers specified:

| <i>HS Tariff Number</i> | <i>Description of Goods</i> | <i>Rate of Tax/Duty</i> |
|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 27.10.13.90 | Gasolene (Unleaded) | -91.41 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.22.10 | Illuminating Kerosene exported under processing agreement | -329.08 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.22.90 | Other Illuminating Kerosene | -329.08 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.31.10 | Diesel Oil exported under the processing agreement | -207.88 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.31.90 | Other Diesel oil | -207.88 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.39.10 | Other diesel oil exported under processing agreement | -207.88 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.10.39.90 | Other | -207.88 cents per imperial gallon |
| 27.11.12.00 | Liquid Propane - Bulk (More than 100 lbs) | -44.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified Propane - (100 lbs) | -87.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified propane - (20 lbs) | -132.05 cents per pound |
| 27.11.13.00 | Liquified Butane - Bulk (More than 100 lbs) | -44.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified Butane (100 lbs) | -87.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified Butane (20 lbs) | -132.05 cents per pound |
| 27.11.11.00 | Liquified Natural Gas - Bulk (More than 100 lbs) | -44.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified Natural Gas (100 lbs) | -87.05 cents per pound |
| | Liquified Natural Gas (20 lbs) | -132.05 cents per pound |
| 27.11.14.00 | Ethelyne, Propylene, Buthelyne Bulk (More than 100 lbs) | -44.05 cents per pound |
| | Ethelyne, Propylene, Buthelyne (100 lbs) | -87.05 cents per pound |
| | Ethelyne, Propylene, Buthelyne (20 lbs) | -132.05 cents per pound |

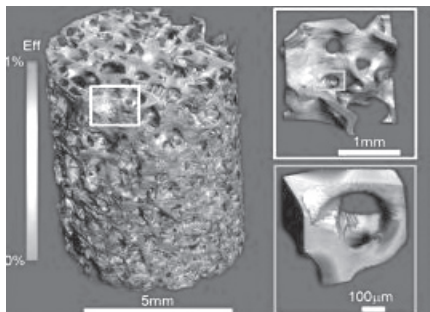
HON. STEPHENSON KING,
Minister of Finance.

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TECHNOLOGY

IBM supercomputer to aid osteoporosis treatment



This digital image produced by the Blue Gene Supercomputer shows the strain on a healthy 5x5x5 millimeter human vertebra. The areas in blue support a higher strain and weaker parts are shown in red.

IBM says it has developed a way to use one of its supercomputers to improve diagnosis and treatment of the widespread bone disease osteoporosis.

IBM Zurich Research Laboratory and the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (also known as ETH Zurich) utilized an IBM supercomputer to develop a method of early diagnosis

that they say trumps the current approach to measuring bone mass density, the computer company announced Monday.

According to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, the current most widely recognized bone mass density test is conducted by a dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry, or DXA. However, the test cannot measure the spongy inner microstructure of the bone.

IBM's new method will combine density measurements with a mechanical analysis of the inner-bone structure. By using large-scale parallel simulations and testing real bone, researchers created a heat map of bone strain that can show physicians the likely weight load that would cause a bone to break and where the fracture would occur.

The teams used an 8-rack Blue Gene/L Supercomputer to conduct the

simulations. IBM said the computer takes just 20 minutes to generate 90 gigabytes of output data. Currently, IBM dominates the supercomputer world, and makes 210 of the top 500 supercomputer systems.

While supercomputers aren't currently readily available to physicians, IBM's Zurich lab says that 10 years from now the performance of a supercomputer should be available on a desktop system, and the technology will become a staple in diagnosing the bone density-deteriorating disease.

IBM Zurich and ETH Zurich said the labs have future plans to use supercomputer technology to simulate the formation of fractures for individual patients with osteoporosis. The disease affects 75 million people around the world, according to the International Osteoporosis Foundation.



ECSE

Eastern Caribbean

CMMB Mild activity was recorded on the ECSE with Cable & Wireless St. Kitts & Nevis traded down 83 cents to close at \$6.50 and St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla National Bank traded firm at \$2.90.

In other news, on June 23rd, The Government of St. Vincent & the Grenadines auctioned EC\$16 million of 91 day Treasury Bills. The minimum investment for participation in this issue was EC\$5000.00

TRINIDAD

The volume leaders on the Trinidad Stock Exchange were Sagicor and Scotia DBG Investments. The advance decline ratio was 13 to 5 with Sagicor and Ansa Merchant Bank leading the advancers, gaining a dollar and 85 cents respectively, while Republic Bank and Grace Kennedy were among the decliners.

In news from Trinidad, bonds worth an initial value of \$1.2 billion are to be issued immediately by the T&T Government, as part of its plan

to "mop up" the excess liquidity that will be placed into the economy when RBTT shareholders receive \$4.7 billion in cash as part of the bank's acquisition by the Royal Bank of Canada.

JAMAICA

The Jamaican markets posted positive results as 12 stocks advanced and 20 declined. Jamaica Broilers Ltd, Cable & Wireless and NCB Jamaica were the more popular stocks accounting for over 68% of total volumes. Advancers were led by Carreras while First Caribbean, Sagicor and Grace Kennedy were among the decliners.

The Jamaican Government, last week raised US\$350 million on the international capital markets, through a 10-year placement that was fully subscribed. The 2019 notes were issued at a coupon rate of 8.0 per cent and priced to yield 8.375 per cent, which is about 400 basis points above comparable US treasuries.

BARBADOS

Sagicor led volumes on the BSE with over 470,000 shares changing ownership. Price increases for Neal &

Massy and Trinidad Cement pushed the cross list index up over 40 points while the local index increased by over 7 points after BNB, Cable & Wireless, Goddard Enterprises and Insurance Corporation of Barbados all recorded price increases.

Sagicor has recorded a steady increase in share price on the London Stock Exchange. Sagicor was the first Caribbean firm to break into the London equity market, on February 14 last year, with its stock trading at BDS\$3.88 per share. By the close of trading last week Sagicor's share price had reached BDS\$6.17, a 37% increase in 16 months.

INTERNATIONAL

And finally on the international front, US stocks tumbled last week amidst widening credit market losses which are set to reach \$400 billion globally.

In commodities & currencies news, gold reached over \$910 as a weaker dollar - which was down 1.5% last week - and record commodity prices sparked demand for precious metals as a hedge against inflation.

SPORTS

Cricket

West Indies call up Miller and Findlay

Nikita Miller has been rewarded for a strong domestic season with a belated call-up to the West Indies squad for the remaining two one-day internationals against Australia. Miller was one of three uncapped players to be promoted to the 13-man group after the team made a disappointing start to the series, which they have already lost.

The left-arm spinner Miller was the leading wicket-taker during the first-class season with 42 victims and he has replaced Sulieman Benn, who struggled to have any impact in the opening ODIs. Kumar Roach,

the fast bowler who made his Twenty20 international debut last month, has also been included along with the Jamaica batsman Shawn Findlay.

Patrick Browne was left out of the squad after failing to impress during his solitary outing in Grenada, while Kieron Pollard lost his position following a terrible shot selection that brought his dismissal in the second game. Jerome Taylor was left out as he battles a shoulder injury but West Indies resisted the temptation to rest Chris Gayle and Ramnaresh Sarwan, who both have groin complaints, or Shivnarine Chanderpaul, who has a niggling calf injury.

Australia have already secured a 3-0 lead and will probably make changes to their side to give unused players such as David Hussey and Stuart Clark opportunities before the tour winds up. The final two games are to be played on Friday and Sunday in St Kitts

and John Dyson, the West Indies coach, expects a lift from his men.

"On Sunday I really noticed a drop-off," Dyson told AAP. "We've talked about it before, we've had a long string of injuries and that has taken its toll on us fairly badly."

"We've still got players playing with niggles. Sure, that impacts on the over all fielding effort. It was a disappointing result. It's been a disappointing one-day series. The Test series was really quite exciting and quite competitive. The Twenty20 was a one-off, and this series for us has been disappointing."

Squad Chris Gayle (capt), Xavier Marshall, Ramnaresh Sarwan, Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Andre Fletcher, Dwayne Bravo, Shawn Findlay, Denesh Ramdin (wk), Darren Sammy, Nikita Miller, Kumar Roach, Daren Powell, Fidel Edwards.

TENNIS

Venus, Serena roll into Wimbledon semis

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) - One prematch glance Tuesday at the data displayed on those fancy, new digital scoreboards at staid, old Wimbledon provided a pretty persuasive case for why Venus Williams might be considered the woman to beat.

The entry under career record at the grass-court Grand Slam: "55-7." The listing of her best result: "WINNER 2007, 2005, 2001, 2000." Yet another reason to like the American's chances: The way she served during the ensuing 6-4, 6-3 quarterfinal victory over Tamarine Tanasugarn — smacking eight aces, saving nine of the 10 break points, tying her Wimbledon record with a 127 mph delivery.

That extended Williams' winning streak at the All England Club to 12 matches, including 19 sets in a row. Nonetheless, at least one person who knows a thing or two about tennis and a thing or two about Venus Williams flatly rejected the notion that she's the favorite: Serena Williams.

Asked after her own impressive quarterfinal victory — 6-4, 6-0 against 11th-ranked Agnieszka Radwanska — whether her older sister should be considered the likeliest champion, Serena shot back: "I would never sit here and say she's the favorite when I'm still in the draw. What are you on?" Rather than a sibling rivalry, that response perhaps reflects nothing more than the sort of competitive drive that helped the younger Williams win eight Grand Slam singles titles. That haul includes the 2002 and 2003 Wimbledon championships, each time concluded by beating

her sister.

One more win apiece, and they'll reprise the all-in-the-family final tradition Saturday. In Thursday's semifinals, Serena will face 133rd-ranked Jie Zheng, who became the first Chinese player to reach the semifinals at a major tournament by upsetting 18th-seeded Nicole Pietrangeli 6-2, 5-7, 6-1.

Venus next plays the highest-seeded remaining woman, No. 5 Elena Dementieva, who beat No. 21 Nadia Petrova 6-1, 6-7 (6), 6-3.

Zheng is the first wild-card entrant to reach the women's semifinals at Wimbledon; only one woman ranked lower has made the semifinals at any Grand Slam.

"I just try my best to keep going," Zheng said.

"China has quite a lot of sports in which it is a world leader," she said through a translator. "Unfortunately, tennis is not one of them."

Like Zheng, Radwanska and Tanasugarn were playing in the Wimbledon quarterfinals for the first time. Unlike her, they were forced to deal with a Williams on Tuesday.

More specifically, they were forced to deal with those Williams serves, developed by Dad all those years ago on the courts in Compton, Calif.

"We're different," Venus said. "I serve big almost every time. She goes for a little more placement."

Against Radwanska, Serena hit 11 aces, including four in one game while pulling even at 3-3 in the first set. On the last of those, Radwanska lunged and whiffed, then grimaced at her racket.

"It's too much, you know," Radwanska said.

She isn't exactly a nobody, having won the Wimbledon junior title in 2005 and pulled off an upset of defending champion Maria Sharapova at last year's U.S. Open. But Serena made her look absolutely ordinary, if that, taking 28 of the last 37 points. While Serena mixed in flat 120 mph serves with spinning, kicking changeups, Venus

stuck with the hard stuff against Tanasugarn.

"I have a lot of power, so it helps," Venus said. "Definitely, the power helps."

She produced some of her best stuff when she needed to, particularly in the match's sixth game. Tanasugarn earned six break points, and the first five vanished thanks to, in order, a 107 mph service winner, a 102 mph service winner, a 115 mph service winner, a 94 mph service winner and a 122 mph ace.

"I'm really blessed to be able to have a serve to get me out of those issues," Venus said.

On break point No. 6, Tanasugarn managed to put her return in play but then slapped a forehand into the net.

That's when she turned her back to the court and motioned toward the players' guest box with her hand, raising one finger at a time to count out those missed opportunities: 1-2-3-4-5-6.

"She served very well during the break points," Tanasugarn said. "So what can I do?"

A few moments later, she did come up with a possible solution. A tad envious of her statuesque opponent — the 6-foot-1 Williams has 8 inches on her — Tanasugarn said, "Next life, I want to be tall as her. Please." Neither Williams has dropped a set during the tournament, and their seedings — Serena is No. 6, Venus No. 7 — certainly seem to have been miscalculated. It's the first time at any Grand Slam in the 40-year Open era that none of the four top-seeded women reached the quarterfinals, making the path even smoother for the siblings.

Hard to believe, but there hasn't been a Williams vs. Williams final at a tournament since 2003 at the All England Club.

And what if they do meet again for the title, in what would be their seventh matchup in a Grand Slam final? What would breakfast be like Saturday morning at the place they're sharing here?

"I'm going to sabotage her and eat all the breakfast," Serena said. "I'll eat all the Wheaties so she doesn't have any chance."