



Press Release

Pre-election Meetings with Political Party Leaders and Independent Candidates.

As part of its commitment to support and guide the Political Parties and Independent Candidates in their preparations for the upcoming General Elections and thereafter, especially in relation to their obligations under the Political Activities Ordinance, the Integrity Commission has completed arrangements to meet with the Leaders and Executive of the Political Parties as well as the prospective Independent Candidates for briefing sessions during the week commencing 15 August, 2016.

These meetings will provide opportunity for the Commission to engage closely with the political party officials and the independent candidates separately, in an informal and interactive setting, at which the Commission will explain and provide guidance to the parties and independent candidates as to their respective obligations under the Political Activities Ordinance. These briefing sessions will cover important areas such as registration, recording of donations and campaign expenditure, guidance notes on loans, dormant companies, notice of contracts with TCIG and filing of returns. Packages containing information brochures and relevant forms will also be provided at these meetings.

The Meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Meeting with Independent Candidates is on **Wednesday 17 August, 2016 at 5pm;**
- Meeting with Political Party Leaders and Executives is on **Friday 19 August, 2016 at 5pm.**

The venue for these meetings will be the **Blue Haven Resort Conference Room, Providenciales**

The Commission is therefore inviting the political party Leaders and their Executives as well as prospective Independent Candidates to these meetings on their respective dates. In preparation for these meetings, the Commission is also requesting all potential Independent Candidates to contact the Commission latest by 4 pm on Friday 12 August 2016 to confirm their attendance at the briefing sessions.

Contact can be made by telephone at 946-1941; 338-3335; 338-3334; 338-3340 or via e-mail at: deputydirector@integritycommission.tc or publicedu@integritycommission.tc or secretary@integritycommission.tc

Contact persons are Mr. Richard Been (Deputy Director) or Mrs. Wanda Ariza (Secretary) or Interniza McCartney (Public Education Officer).

The Director of the Commission, Eugene Otuonye, Q.C. commented:

“These meetings are part of the ongoing public education engagements with the political parties and candidates in the run up to and after the general elections. The meetings are crucial to fostering understanding and to secure the commitment of the Parties and Candidates to transparency and integrity in the electoral process”



Eugene Otuonye, Q.C.
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