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60 Persons Registered as British Citizens

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60 persons were registered as British citizens following a ceremony held at Government House on Tuesday, 23 June 2026.

During the ceremony, the newly registered British citizens received congratulatory remarks from the Governor of the Virgin Islands, His Excellency Mr. Daniel Pruce, and Registrar General, Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro.

In his remarks, Governor Pruce congratulated the new British citizens, stating, "I congratulate you on having persevered with the process, and for having demonstrated your allegiance to the United Kingdom as well as to The Virgin Islands. The British Citizen's passport, to which you will now be entitled, enables you to enjoy rights of residence and employment in the United Kingdom. This opens up new opportunities for study and professional development which I hope you will grasp."

The Governor also reminded the new citizens that their citizenship carries new moral and legal responsibilities, he also encouraged them to remain supportive of persons who are new to the Territory. The Governor said, "I ask you in particular to be always supportive of others who are newcomers to this Territory, just as you are now newcomers as British citizens. As The Good book reminds us 'You shall love the stranger, for you were once strangers in the land'"

Registrar General, Mrs. Tashi O'Flaherty-Maduro, said, "Citizenship carries rights and privileges, but it also reflects commitment, commitment to shared values, civic responsibility, respect for others, and active participation in community life. It connects us not only to a legal status, but to a wider story and a shared future."

She continued, "To those being registered today, this ceremony marks the beginning of a new chapter. It recognizes your individual journeys, each one unique and shaped by perseverance, hope, dedication, and aspirations for the future. Whether your path began here or led you here through life's many experiences, today affirms your place within the British family and the enduring values of respect, democracy, service, and mutual responsibility."

The 60 newly Registered British Citizens are:

1. Jean Delice Avril
2. Ashley Alexis Browne
3. Andrew Claxton Campbell
4. Gail Patricia Carrington
5. John Eric Ian Carrington
6. Cassandra Charles
7. Yijun Chen
8. Jaleel Nathan Jevon Croal
9. Keslar Dawson
10. Jacqueline Petula Donovan
11. Hylford Emanuel Duhaney
12. Walter Andrew Ells Jr
13. Jershell Janica Esprit
14. Rennicks Claudius Etienne
15. Valda John Baptiste Etienne
16. Jose Alejandro Alcala Faulkner
17. Adenike Marie Flax
18. Darnell Antonio Gerard Flax
19. Jo-Anne Catherine Neale-France
20. Marie Therese Annie George
21. Eloy Emanuel Gibbs
22. Orland Rosco Glasgow
23. Molisia Elenor Haywood
24. Fernanda Magaly Mason Henley
25. Sharon Claudine Henry
26. Chandrawattie Persaud Hinds
27. Annalisa Bride Hippolyte
28. Christopher Diego Holder
29. Samantha Dahlia Jeffers
30. Kiara Lareisha Johnney
31. Thile Douchel Joseph
32. Shayvanie Kumarie Karran
33. Francess Veronica La Touche
34. Nicolas Crenele Laurac

35. Niesha Lettisha Maduro
36. Cedric Matthew Junior Mars
37. Joel Randalph Mars
38. Duklin George McDonald
39. Mildred Santana Pacheco
40. Tieanna Ashanti Parillon
41. Ra-Shaun Jalen Penn
42. Jaadon Isaiah Quashie
43. Glory Ramjawan
44. Khemragie Ramotar
45. Sylvia Lenora Richards
46. Charles Elsworth Jr Rochester
47. Gail Aloma Scotland
48. Anelia Ancelia Sharpe
49. Evanette Caron Shipley
50. Erica Adella Ollivierre Simmons
51. Cislyn Carmen Stevens
52. Pearla Sylvester-Thomas
53. Rahim Abdullah Thomas
54. Vielka Del Carmen Soto Thomas
55. Nurys Iris Vanterpool Welch
56. Irene Minerva McPherson Williams
57. Shane Kevin Williams
58. Shanique Angelica Williams
59. Cecelia Jasmine Winchester
60. Huifang Wu

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About:

Section 2 of the British Nationality Act 1981 provides that a person born outside the United Kingdom and the qualifying territories after commencement of that Act will be a British citizen in certain circumstances, including where at the time of birth his father or mother is a British citizen and is serving outside the United

Kingdom and the qualifying territories in service designated by the Secretary of State, recruitment for that service having taken place in the United Kingdom or a qualifying territory. Various types of service are designated for the purposes of this provision by the British Citizenship (Designated Service) Order 2006.

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