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His Excellency the Governor Daniel Pruce chaired the meeting held on 14th October, 2026.

All Members were present with the exception of Minister for Communications and Works, Minister for Health and Social Development, and Attorney General who were overseas on official duty. Solicitor General Mrs. Jo-Ann Williams-Roberts attended as the acting Attorney General.

Cabinet:

1. Decided:

a. in accordance with Section 2(b) of the Public Holidays (Amendment) Act, 2000, that the Governor issue a proclamation that:

i. the day Monday, 8th March, 2027 be appointed as the public holiday commemorating the anniversary of the birth of Hamilton Lavity Stoutt; and

ii. the day Friday, 11th June, 2027 be appointed to be observed as the Sovereign's birthday; and noted:

1. the following list of public and common law holidays to be celebrated in the year 2027:

a. Friday, 1st January - New Year's Day;

b. Monday, 8th March - The Anniversary of the Birth of Hamilton Lavity Stoutt (Inlieu of Sunday, 7thMarch);

c. Friday, 26th March - Good Friday;

d. Monday, 29th March - Easter Monday;

e. Monday, 17th May - Whit Monday;

f. Friday, 11th June - Sovereign's Birthday (to be confirmed);

g. Monday, 5th July - Virgin Islands Day;

h. Monday, 2nd August - Emancipation Monday;

i. Tuesday, 3rd August - Emancipation Tuesday;

j. Wednesday, 4th August - Emancipation Wednesday;
k. Monday, 18th October - Heroes and Foreparents Day;
l. Monday, 22nd November - Commemoration of the Great March of 1949 and the Restoration of the
Legislative Council;
m. Monday, 27th December - Christmas Day (In lieu of Saturday, 25th December;
n. Tuesday, 28th December- Boxing Day (In lieu of Sunday, 26th December);
b. that the final and full list of public and common law holidays for 2027 listed above be published, once the Governor makes the aforementioned proclamations.

2. Reviewed and accepted the 2024 Department of Information and Public Relations' Annual Report; and agreed that the report be laid on the table in the House of Assembly at the next convenient sitting.

3. Noted the Eighth Update on the Implementation of the Governance Reform Transition Plan and Governance Reform Implementation Action Plan.

4. Considered and approved the:
a. Financial Services (Trade Marks Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2026;
b. BVI Business Companies and Limited Partnerships (Beneficial Ownership) (Amendment) Regulations, 2026;
c. BVI Business Companies (Amendment) Regulations, 2026;
d. Financial Services (Limited Partnership Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2026; and decided that the Regulations be published in the Virgin Islands Official Gazette; and laid on the table of the House of Assembly, subjected to a negative resolution.

5. Considered and approved the:
a. Limited Partnership (Amendment) Bill, 2026;
b. BVI Business Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2026 and
c. agreed that the Bills be introduced for their first readings in the House of Assembly at the next convenient sitting.

6. Noted the re-appointments of members to the Prison Visiting Committee for a period of three (3) years effective 1st August 2026 until 31st July, 2029 in accordance with Section 41 of the Prison Rules, 1999:
i. Mrs. Nolma Chalwell as Chairperson;
ii. Mr. Gregory Smith;
iii. Mr. Sendrick Chinnery;
iv. Mr. Kenrico Wheatley; and
v. Mrs. Sarah L. Potter Washington;

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Additional Documents or Media

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