

**CABINET OFFICE**

**CONSTITUTION OF THE BAHAMAS**  
**ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS**

It is announced for general information that His Excellency The Governor-General, acting under the provision of Article 77 of the Constitution, has charged the Ministers whose names appear in the first column of the Schedule hereto and who are being designated with the responsibility for matters or groups of matters set out against their names in the second column of the Schedule and for the Department of Government set out in the third column.

The Charges take effect on 14 May, 2012.

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1. The Rt. Hon. Perry G. Christie, MP Prime Minister and Minister of Finance	Coordination of Ministries, Government and Parliamentary Business  Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management  Official Gazette  Hansard  Government Publications  Printing and Stationery	Office of the Prime Minister           Government Printing Department

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<b>1. The Rt. Hon. Perry G. Christie, M.P. Prime Minister and Minister of Finance</b>	Relations with the Clifton Heritage Authority  Relations with the Public Utilities Commission  Bahamas Information Services	<b>The Office of the Prime Minister</b>
<b>The Hon. Khaalis Rolle, M.P. Minister of State For Investments In the Office of the Prime Minister</b>	Promotion, Facilitation and Administrative Processing of Investments  Economic Development and Planning  Hotels Encouragement  National Economic Council  Bahamas Investment Authority  Lands and Surveys  Acquisition of Lands	<b>Department of Lands and Surveys</b>

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<b>1. The Rt. Hon. Perry G. Christie, M.P. Prime Minister and Minister of Finance</b>	Relations with the Bahamas Telecommunications Company  Relations with Multi-lateral Financial Institutions  Administration of Tax Information Exchange Agreements  National Statistics	<b>The Office of the Prime Minister</b>         <b>Department of Statistics</b>

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<b>1. The Rt. Hon. Perry G. Christie, M.P. Prime Minister and Minister of Finance</b>		<b>Ministry of Finance</b>
<b>The Hon. Michael Halkitis, M.P. Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance</b>	Government Finance and Borrowings  Revenue  Treasury Department  Customs Department  Budgetary Planning and  Central Bank of The Bahamas  Bahamas Development Bank  Mortgage Relief Programme  Banks and Trust Companies  Insurance  Relations with the Securities Commission  Relations with the Insurance Commission  Post Office Savings Bank  Spirits and Beer Manufacturing  Auctions  Treasure Trove  Wrecks  Business Licences and Valuations  Guarantee Loans (Tourism Development)  Regulations of Financial Services  First Time Homeowners Tax Exemption Programme	

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<p><b>2. The Hon. Philip E. Brave Davis, M.P.</b>  <b>Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Urban Development</b></p>	<p>Construction, Maintenance And Upkeep of Public Infrastructure including Government Buildings, Roads, Roadsides, Verges, Parks, Docks, Bridges and Cemeteries</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Works and Urban Development</b></p>
<p><b>Mr. Renward Wells, M.P.</b>  <b>Parliamentary Secretary</b></p>	<p>Urban development, Town and Country Planning</p> <p>Urban Renewal Programme</p> <p>Downtown Nassau Re-Development Scheme</p> <p>Montague Beach Foreshore</p> <p>Western Esplanade</p> <p>Private Roads and Subdivisions</p> <p>Land Use Plan for New Providence and Family Islands</p> <p>Physical Planning and Land Use</p> <p>Drainage</p> <p>Explosive and Volatile Substances</p> <p>Straw Markets</p> <p>Relations with The Bahamas Electricity Corporation</p> <p>Relations with The Bahamas Water And Sewerage Corporation</p> <p>Relations with Bahamasair</p>	<p><b>Department of Physical Planning</b></p>

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<b>3. The Hon. Bernard J. Nottage, M.P. Minister of National Security</b>	Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly	<b>Ministry of National Security</b>
<b>Sen. the Hon. Keith Bell Minister of State in the Ministry of National Security</b>	Flags and Coats of Arms	
	Cinemas and Films	
	Radio and Television Broadcasting	
	Relations with Broadcasting Corporation of The Bahamas	
	Cable Television	
	Police	Royal Bahamas Police Force
	Defence	Royal Bahamas Defence Force
	Prisons	Prisons Department
	Prisoners	
	Prerogative of Mercy	
	Relations with the Parliamentary Commissioner	Parliamentary Registration Department
	Elections and Referenda	

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<b>4. The Hon. Obediah H. Wilchcombe, M.P. Minister of Tourism</b>	<p>Promotion and Development of Tourism</p> <p>Tourism Product Improvement</p> <p>Relations with Nassau Tourism and Development Association</p> <p>Tourism Publicity and Advertisement</p> <p>Relations with the Hotel Corporation of The Bahamas</p> <p>Relations with Tourism Promotions Boards</p> <p>Welcome Centre, Prince George Dock</p> <p>Relations with the Gaming Board</p> <p>Lotteries and Gaming</p>	<b>Ministry of Tourism</b>



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<b>5. The Hon. Frederick A. Mitchell, M.P. Minister of Foreign Affairs and Immigration</b>	Foreign Affairs	<b>Ministry of Foreign and Immigration</b>
	Foreign Missions	
	Protocol Matters	
	Extradition	
	Treaty Succession	
	Coordination of Applications for International Technical Assistance	
	Law of the Sea	
	UN, OAS and CARICOM Affairs	
	Passports	
	Visas	
<b>Mrs. Cleola Hamilton, M.P. Parliamentary Secretary</b>	Immigration	<b>Department of Immigration</b>
	Emigration	
	Naturalization	
	Citizenship	
	Work and Residency Permits	

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<p>6. The Hon. V. Alfred Gray, M.P. Minister of Agriculture, Marine Resources and Local Government</p>	<p>Agriculture Food Production</p> <p>Agricultural Marketing</p> <p>Horticulture</p>	<p>Ministry of Agriculture Marine Resources and Local Government</p>
<p>Mr. Anthony Moss, M.P. Parliamentary Secretary</p>	<p>Quality Control of Food and Beverage</p> <p>Potters Cay Dock</p> <p>Veterinary Services and Animal Disease</p> <p>Public Markets</p> <p>Public Markets</p> <p>Down Home Fish Fry</p> <p>Regattas</p> <p>Homecomings and Festivals</p> <p>Slaughter Houses</p> <p>Agricultural Lands</p> <p>Craft Markets</p> <p>Cooperatives</p> <p>Credit Union</p> <p>Small Business Development</p> <p>Relations with The Bahamas Agricultural and Industrial Corporation</p> <p>Fisheries</p> <p>Relations with Local Government Authorities</p> <p>Local Improvement Associations</p>	<p>Department of Local Government</p>

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<b>7. The Hon. Glenys Hanna-Martin, M.P. Minister of Transport and Aviation</b>  <b>The Hon. Hope Strachan, M.P. Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport</b>		<b>Ministry of Transport and Aviation</b>
	Ground Transportation	Department of Road Traffic
	Road Traffic Management	
	Motor Vehicles Registration and Licensing	
	Drays and Surreys	
	Postal Service	Post Office Department
	Inter-Island Passengers Freight and Mail Service	
	Air Transport Licensing	Department of Civil Aviation
	Nassau Flight Services	
	Relations with the Airport Authority	
	Meteorology	Department of Meteorology
	Relations with The Bahamas Maritime Authority	
	Ship Registration	
	Maritime Affairs	
	Port	Port Department

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<b>8. The Hon. Melanie Griffin, M.P. Minister of Social Services</b>		<b>Ministry of Social Services</b>
	Social Development	
	Social Services	Department of Social Services
	Public Assistance	
	Social Welfare	
	Old Age Pensions	
	Care of Indigent and Aged Persons	
	Care Facilities	
	Child Protection	
	Disabled Persons	
	The Williamae Pratt Centre for Girls	
	The Simpson Penn Centre for Boys	
	Rehabilitative Services	Department of Rehabilitative Services
	Community Development	
Women's Affairs	Bureau of Women's Affairs	

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<b>9. The Hon. D. Shane Gibson, M.P. Minister of Labour and National Insurance</b>	Labour Relations	<b>Ministry of Labour and National Insurance</b>	
	Manpower and Employment		
	Employment Agencies		
	Trade Unions		
	Trade Disputes		
	Wage Councils		
	Labour Education		
	Inspection and Safety		
	Workman's Compensation		
	Consumer Welfare		
	Consumer Education		
	Weights and Measures		
	Standards		
	Relations with the National Insurance Board		
	Relations with Paradise Island Bridge Authority		
	The Public Service		<b>Department of Public Service</b>
	Pensions and Gratuities		
	Other Accommodations		
	Public Sector Reform		

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<b>10. Sen. the Hon. Z. C. Allyson Maynard Gibson, Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</b>	Legal Advisor to the Government  Drafting and preparation of Government legislation  Relations with the Judiciary and Bar  Notaries Public  Criminal Prosecutions  International Legal Co- Operation  Mutual Legal Assistance  Inquiries  Constitutional Commission	<b>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</b>           <b>Department of Public Prosecutions</b>
<b>The Hon. Damien Gomez, M.P. Minister of State in the Ministry of Legal Affairs</b>	Law Reform and Revision Legal Education  Coroners  Justices of the Peace  Law Reports  Legal Aid  Relations with the Industrial Relations Tribunal	<b>Ministry of Legal Affairs</b>

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10. Sen. the Hon. Z. C. Allyson Maynard Gibson, Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs	Registration of Documents	Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs
	Registration of Births, Marriages And Deaths	
	Companies	
	Registration of Documents	
The Hon. Damien Gomez, M.P. Minister of State in the Ministry of Legal Affairs	Registration of Commission Merchants	Registrar General's Department
	Intellectual Property Rights	

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<b>11. The Hon. Ryan Pinder, M.P. Minister of Financial Services</b>	<p>Promotion of Financial Services</p> <p>Relations with the Bahamas Financial Services Board</p> <p>Trade and Industry</p> <p>Manufacturing (except for Grand Bahama)</p> <p>Financial Services Product Innovation and Promotion in collaboration with the Private Sector</p> <p>Industries Encouragement</p> <p>International Trade (EU/ACP, WTO, FTAA CARIBCAN AND CBI)</p> <p>Development and Promotion of International Commercial Arbitration Centre</p>	<b>Ministry of Financial Services</b>



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<b>12. The Hon. Jerome Fitzgerald, M.P. Minister of Education, Science and Technology</b>	<p>Education Scholarships</p> <p>Education Loans</p> <p>Distance Learning</p> <p>Relations with the College of The Bahamas</p> <p>Bahamas Technical and Vocational Institute</p> <p>Relations with the University of the West Indies</p> <p>Relations with Church- Operated and other Private Schools</p> <p>Public Libraries and Reading Centres</p> <p>Retired Public Records and Historical Archives</p> <p>Relations with the Antiquities, Monuments And Museums</p> <p>Culinary and Hospitality Management Institute</p> <p>Technical Cadet Corps</p> <p>Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Education Pre-Schools</p> <p>Relations with School Boards</p> <p>Special Education</p> <p>Development and Promotion of Facilities for Scientific and Technological Education, research and innovation</p> <p>Promotion of Scientific Exhibitions</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Education, Science and Technology</b></p> <p>Department of Archives</p>

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<b>13. The Hon. Dr. Michael Darville, M.P. Minister for Grand Bahama</b>	<p>Relations with the Grand Bahama Port Authority</p> <p>Revitalization and promotion of Grand Bahama as a tourism and industrial centre</p> <p>Extension of duty concessions to East and West Grand Bahama</p> <p>Promotion of agricultural development in Grand Bahama</p> <p>Advancement of Health and Educational Infrastructure in liaison with the relevant Ministries</p> <p>Promotion of employment and Entrepreneurial opportunities in Grand Bahama</p> <p>Social Services for Grand Bahama</p> <p>Community Relocation and Rehabilitation in East and West Grand Bahama</p> <p>Environmental Protection For Grand Bahama</p>	<b>Ministry for Grand Bahama</b>

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<b>14. The Hon. Dr. M. Perry Gomez, M.P. Minister of Health</b>		<b>Ministry of Health</b>
	Public Health	Department of Health
	Vaccination	
	Poisons	
	Vector Control	
	Quarantine	
	Port Health	
	Medical, Nursing and Health Services	
	Regulation of Manufacturing of Drugs and Pharmaceuticals	
	Control of Dangerous Drugs	
	Public Analyst Laboratories	
	Relations with the Public Hospitals Authority	
	Relations with Hospitals and Health Care Facilities	
	Relations with Health Care Professionals Boards	



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<b>15. The Hon. Kendred Dorsett, M.P. Minister of the Environment and Housing</b>	Government Housing Scheme  Construction of medium and low-cost Housing  Relations with the Housing Commission  Bahamas Mortgage Corporation	<b>Ministry of the Environment and Housing</b>  Department of Housing

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<b>16. The Hon. Daniel Johnson, M.P. Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture</b>	Youth Development  Youth Service  Arts and Crafts Training  Apprenticeship  Athletic and Sporting Development  Relations with Sporting Organizations  Bahamas Games  Development of Playgrounds and Sporting  Queen Elizabeth Sports Centre (including National Stadium)  Cultural Development  Promotion of Art, Music and the Performing Arts  Junkanoo  Cultural Exchange Programmes  National Art Gallery  Historical Sites (including Forts)	<b>Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture</b>