Statement in relation to the 2025 Supplementary Appropriations

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Statement in relation to the Exceptional Circumstance Appropriation changes resulting in the 2025 Supplementary Appropriations of the Ministry of District Administration & Lands

31st January 2025

Mister Speaker,

Section 11(5)

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to bring to the attention of this Honourable House, the exceptional circumstances appropriation changes which have resulted in the Supplementary Appropriations initiated by the Ministry of District Administration & Lands for 2025.

Mister Speaker, Cabinet considered and approved the following requests for Section 11(5) appropriations in accordance with the Public Management Finance Act (2020 Revision) by the Ministry of District Administration & Lands appropriation lines so as to satisfy the 2025 expenditure needs as follows:

Land Acquisition

Mister Speaker, Cabinet approved the increase of

EA 4 "Land acquisitions" in the Ministry of District Administration & Lands by Six Million Two Hundred & Fifty Thousand dollars (CI\$6,250,000) to facilitate the acquisition of properties for public use via Section 11(5) of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision). The aforementioned amount of Six Million Two Hundred & Fifty Thousand dollars (CI\$6,250,000) is comprised of:

a) Four Million Two Hundred & Fifty Thousand dollars (CI\$4,250,000) increase, as a result of a decrease of Four Million Two Hundred & Fifty Thousand dollars (CI\$4,250,000) in EA 168 Infrastructure & Development in the Ministry of Planning,

Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport & Development; and

b) Cabinet approval of a Two Million dollars increase (CI\$2,000,000) for Land Acquisitions (EA 4).

Mister Speaker for elucidation purposes I'm happy to advise that the two properties are:

- Block 111A Parcel 4 known as Long Beach in Cayman Brac. It's 33 acres and was purchased by the CIG urgently to prevent imminent development and thereby ensure future public use and benefit; and
- Block 33C Parcel 9 known as Old Cayman Kai resort which is 2.59 acres of pristine beach in Cayman Kai North Side for public use.

Conclusion

Mister Speaker, thank you for allowing me to explain the exceptional circumstances which have resulted in the Supplementary Appropriations initiated by the Ministry of District Administration & Lands under Sections 11(5) of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision) for the 2025 fiscal year.