



## SECTION 11(5) STATEMENT

Hon. Johany “Jay” Ebanks, JP, MP.

Minister for Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing & Infrastructure

For the

REALLOCATION OF ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 11(5) OF THE PUBLIC MANAGEMENT & FINANCE ACT (2026 REVISION) FROM EA 78 GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, EI 71 MINISTRY ASSETS, EI 57 NATIONAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TRUST, EA 146 LAND PURCHASE FOR CONSERVATION TO EA 148 MAJOR ROAD WORKS, EA 164 CENTRAL SCRANTON PARK ANDEA4 LAND PURCHASE

30 April, 2026

**Mr. Speaker,**

In accordance with Section 11(6) of the Public Management and Finance Act (2026 Revision), I rise to make a statement on behalf of Cabinet regarding a financial transaction approved under Section 11(5) of the Act.

Cabinet approved the reallocation of existing funds within the Ministry of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing & Infrastructure as follows:

Funding was **decreased** from:

- EA 78 – Government Administration Building: CI\$493,095
- EI 71 – Ministry Assets: CI\$1,300,000
- EI 57 – National Housing Development Trust: CI\$254,803
- EA 146 – Land Purchase for Conservation: CI\$20,674

Funding was **increased** to:

- EA 148 – Major Road Works: CI\$203,149
- EA 164 – Central Scranton Park: CI\$1,161,657
- EA 4 – Land Purchase: CI\$703,766

Mr. Speaker, this is a reallocation of existing funds. It does not increase the overall budget.

The reallocation addresses immediate funding requirements for priority road works, the Central Scranton Park project, and approved land acquisition.

Cabinet determined that the matter met the requirements of an exceptional circumstance under the Act, including the need to act within a timeframe that made the ordinary appropriation process impractical.

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Development will prepare a 2025 Supplementary Appropriation Bill to seek Parliament's approval for the appropriation changes.

Mr. Speaker, this action supports responsible financial management by applying existing funds to approved commitments and priority public works.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.