

Acknowledgements

We wish to express our appreciation to the people of St Kitts and Nevis for the warm welcome which they extended to us during our mission. Without their assistance and many kindnesses we could not have accomplished our work.

We would also like to acknowledge our gratitude to the Chairman of the Electoral Commission, Charles Wilkin, and his colleagues and to the Supervisor of Elections, Eugene Petty, and his colleagues for their ready assistance and co-operation.

Our warm thanks also go collectively to all the political leaders in St Kitts and Nevis, to leaders of the church councils and the Chamber of Industry and Commerce whose meetings with us greatly assisted our work. We also wish to thank the General Manager of ZIZ Radio and Television, and representatives of the media.

We would like to express our particular thanks and warm appreciation to Max Gaylard and his team from the Commonwealth Secretariat for the magnificent support given by them to our Group in carrying out our mission. They worked for very long hours every day with exemplary dedication and their unfailing support has been crucial to the fulfilment of our task.

Our special thanks go to Chief Emeka Anyaoku, the Commonwealth Secretary-General, for giving us this opportunity to serve the people of St Kitts and Nevis and their beautiful country.

Annexes

ANNEX I

Composition of the Commonwealth Observer Group

The Hon Justice Prafulla N Bhagwati (India – Chairman)

The Hon Justice Bhagwati's distinguished legal career and many contributions to law led to his appointment as Chief Justice in 1985. In 1960 he was appointed Judge of Gujarat High Court and in 1967 became Chief Justice of the High Court. In 1973 he was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of India. He retired in 1986. Justice Bhagwati is a member of numerous national and international committees and organisations including the Experts Committee of the ILO and the Executive Committee of the International Society for Labour Law and Social Security. He is also a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague. In September 1994, he was elected a member of the United Nations Human Rights Committee (UNHRC) for a four-year term. In March 1995 he was elected Vice-Chairman of UNHRC.

Mr Roger Barltrop, CMG, CVO (Britain)

Mr Roger Barltrop was a member of the British Diplomatic Service from 1954 until his retirement in 1990. He served in India, Nigeria, Zimbabwe (then Rhodesia), Ethiopia, Turkey, the West Indies and the South Pacific. His last overseas posting was as High Commissioner and later Ambassador to Fiji from 1982-1989, concurrently accredited as High Commissioner to Nauru and Tuvalu. Mr Barltrop was Head of the Commonwealth Co-ordination Department at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office from 1978-1982, and a member of British delegations to the 1979 Lusaka and 1981 Melbourne Commonwealth Heads of Government Meetings. In 1991 he participated in the Commonwealth Observer Group for the Bangladesh General Election.

Mr Jean-Claude Dansereau (Canada)

Mr Jean-Claude Dansereau, a former petroleum executive, served between 1979 and 1983 as President of the Liberal Party of Canada (Quebec) and between 1984 and 1986 as President of the Liberal Party of Canada Organisation Committee. He has considerable experience in both provincial and federal elections and has been head of various Committees for Leadership at both provincial and federal levels.

Mr Anthony Frederick Dingle (Australia)

A former diplomat, Mr Anthony Dingle spent 15 years of his 36 years in the Australian Foreign Service at posts in Commonwealth countries. He served in both Malaysia and Tanzania during their period of transition from colonial status to independence. After serving in India and Pakistan, he became High Commissioner to Ghana, concurrently serving as Australia's first High Commissioner to Sierra Leone and The Gambia. He has also served as Ambassador to Denmark, Iceland, Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador and Panama. He was a member of the 1992 Commonwealth Observer Group for the Guyana elections and for the referendum on the draft constitution in Seychelles.

HE Mr Alfred Uyapo Majaye Dube (Botswana)

HE Mr Alfred Majaye Dube joined the Botswana Civil Service in 1967 and the Foreign Service in 1977 with special responsibility for liaison with the EU, SADCC, OAU, ACP/EEC. In 1978 he co-ordinated the Botswana Government's participation in Lomé I Convention Renegotiation. In 1980-81 he was posted as Counsellor to the High Commission in London. From 1981-83 he was Under-Secretary, Ministry of Mineral Resources and Water Affairs, in

charge of the diamond mining and marketing sector. He rejoined the Foreign Service in 1983 and was posted as Counsellor to the Botswana Mission to the EEC in Brussels also covering the Benelux countries, France, Germany and Italy. From 1987-88 he was Under-Secretary, Department of External Affairs and 1988-89 Director for Political and Economic Affairs. In 1989 Mr Dube was appointed Ambassador to Sweden with concurrent accreditation to Denmark, Norway, Finland, Iceland and the USSR. He is presently Botswana's High Commissioner to Britain.

Mr Mishake Muyongo, MP (Namibia)

Mr Mishake Muyongo is Leader of the Democratic Turnhalle Alliance (DTA). In 1964 he became full-time organiser for CANU as a founding member and First Vice-President and consummated the alliance between CANU and SWAPO later that year. He later became responsible for the SWAPO Education Department and organised the International Conference on Namibia in Brussels. In 1978 he assisted in the drafting of UN Resolution 435 on Namibia and before Namibian independence was continually involved in talks with the Western Group of Five. He returned to Namibia from exile in Zambia in 1985 under the general amnesty and was elected Vice-President of the Democratic Turnhalle Alliance (DTA) in 1987. He became President of DTA in 1989. He has been a member of the Namibian Parliament since its creation in 1990.

Mr Frank Portelli, FRCS (Malta)

Mr Frank Portelli was President of the Executive of the Nationalist Party between 1985 and 1992 and a member of Parliament between 1987 and 1992. In October 1987 he became the Head of the Maltese Delegation to the Council of Europe and later represented the organisation as official observer for the first democratic election in Yugoslavia. He is currently Lecturer in Clinical Anatomy at the University of Malta and Director of Air Malta.

Ms Elizabeth Solomon (Ghana)

A former nursing tutor, Ms Elizabeth Solomon went on to study law and then practice as a legal adviser at the State Insurance Corporation between 1973 and 1982. Between 1983 and 1993 she worked as a private legal practitioner. Since July 1993 she has been a member of the National Seven Member Commission which is responsible, among other things, for the supervision of all public elections and referenda and the education of the people on the electoral process and its purposes. Ms Solomon represents the International Federation of Women Lawyers on the National Council of Women and Development and is a Senior Executive of FIDA. In 1994 she participated in the UN observer mission for the general election in South Africa.

SECRETARIAT SUPPORT STAFF

Mr Max Gaylard, Team Leader

Mr Richard Nzerem, Assistant to Observers

Mrs A Missouri Sherman-Peter, Assistant to Observers

Mr Dominic Sankey, Assistant to Observers

Ms Lorna McLaren, Administrative Officer

ANNEX II

Press Release of 22 June 1995

**Commonwealth
News Release**

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22 June 1995

**Commonwealth to Observe General Election
in St Kitts and Nevis**

A team of eight Commonwealth Observers, together with support staff from the Commonwealth Secretariat, will be present in St Kitts and Nevis for the forthcoming general election scheduled for 3 July 1995.

In making the announcement today, Commonwealth Secretary-General Emeka Anyaoku recalled that in February this year the Government of St Kitts and Nevis had issued an invitation for a Commonwealth Observer Group to observe the general election. A Planning Mission, which subsequently visited St Kitts and Nevis, established that there was broad support across the political spectrum for a Commonwealth presence at the election.

The Commonwealth Observer Group for St Kitts and Nevis will be led by **The Hon Justice P N Bhagwati**, former Chief Justice of India. The other members of the Group are:

Mr Roger A R Barltrop
Former Diplomat
Britain

Mr Jean-Claude Dansereau
Former President of the Liberal Party
Canada

Mr Anthony Dingle
Former Diplomat
Australia

H E Mr Alfred Dube
High Commissioner for Botswana to Britain

Mr Mishake Muyongo MP
Member of Parliament, Leader of Opposition
Namibia

Mr Frank Portelli
Former Member of Parliament
Malta

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Ms Elizabeth Solomon
Electoral Commissioner
Ghana

The Group will be supported by a five-member team from the Commonwealth Secretariat led by Mr Max Gaylard, Director of the Political Affairs Division.

Note to Editors:

The mission to St Kitts and Nevis will represent the fifteenth election observed by the Commonwealth since October 1990. These include elections in Malaysia, Bangladesh, Zambia, Seychelles, (in July and November 1992, and July 1993), Guyana, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Pakistan, South Africa, Malawi and Namibia. These are to be seen in the context of a decision taken by Commonwealth Heads of Government to support the promotion of democracy in a number of ways, including through observation, on request, of elections in member states.

ANNEX III

Arrival Statement of 27 June 1995



St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group*News Release*

We are here in response to a request from the Government of St Kitts and Nevis to the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Chief Emeka Anyaoku, for the Commonwealth to observe the General Elections scheduled for 3 July 1995. A Commonwealth Secretariat Planning Mission has confirmed that the parties involved in the election welcome our presence here.

Our broad objective is to observe the organisation and conduct of the elections in accordance with the law of St Kitts and Nevis. We come from many parts of the Commonwealth but not as representatives of governments or organisations to which we belong. Rather, we will serve the Commonwealth as Observers in our individual capacities.

We have no executive role, our function is to observe the process and form an impartial judgment on its credibility. On completion of our mission, we will present a report to the Commonwealth Secretary-General who will make it available to the Government of St Kitts and Nevis, the political parties taking part in the elections, and thereafter to all Commonwealth governments.

We look forward to our mission with keen anticipation. As part of our work we will be in touch with the Electoral Commission, the political parties and other interested groups before and on polling day. We will be visiting all eleven constituencies. We feel honoured to be here to observe the forthcoming national elections.

Basseterre
27 June 1995

ANNEX IV**Schedule of Engagements****COMMONWEALTH OBSERVER GROUP TO THE GENERAL ELECTION
IN ST KITTS AND NEVIS
3 July 1995****Schedule of Engagements****ANTIGUA****Monday 26 June**

1900 Briefing by Commonwealth Secretariat

Tuesday 27 June

0800 Telephone Conference Briefing by the Secretary-General

ST KITTS**Tuesday 27 June**

am Arrival of Commonwealth Observer Group

1200 Arrival Statement by the Hon Justice P N Bhagwati

1400 Briefing by Commonwealth Secretariat

1500 Electoral Commission and Supervisor of Elections

1700 Briefing by Commonwealth Media Adviser to the St Kitts and Nevis
Electoral Commission

1830 Press Conference

2000 Political Party Rallies

Wednesday 28 June

0930 People's Action Movement

1130 St Kitts and Nevis Labour Party

- 1500 St Kitts and Nevis Trades and Labour Union
1700 United People's Party
1830 Chairman's Reception for Observers and Invited Guests

Thursday 29 June

- 0900 Meeting of the Group
0930 Group Photograph
1000 St Kitts Christian Council
1130 St Kitts Evangelical Association
1400 Police Commissioner Thompson
1400 Electoral Commission
1500 Chamber of Commerce and Industry
1800 Briefing by Commonwealth Secretariat
2000 Political Party Rallies

NEVIS**Friday 30 June**

- 0800 Depart Hotel: Ferry to Nevis
0915 Arrival at Charlestown, Nevis
1000 Concerned Citizens Movement
1130 Nevis Reformation Party
1500 Nevis Evangelical Association
1600 Electoral Officials
1800 Chairman's Reception

Saturday 1 July

- 1500 Nevis Christian Council

ANNEX V

Deployment of Commonwealth Observers



St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group

DEPLOYMENT OF COMMONWEALTH OBSERVERS

TEAM	NAMES	CONSTITUENCIES
One	The Hon Justice P N Bhagwati (Chairman) Mr Max Gaylard Mr Dominic Sankey	1&2: Basseterre East Basseterre Central
Two	Mr Jean-Claude Dansereau Mr Mishake Muyongo	3&4: Basseterre West Challengers to Half-Way-Tree
Three	Mr Roger Bartrop Ms Elizabeth Solomon	5&6: Sandy Point Newton Ground to Harris'
Four	H E Mr Alfred Dube Mr Frank Portelli Mrs Missouri Sherman-Peter	7&8 Belle Vue to Ottleys Ottleys to Kittstoddarts and St Peter's
Five	Mr Anthony Dingle Mr Richard Nzerem	9-11 Nevis: St John, Fig Tree and St Paul, Charlestown; St George, Gingerland; St James, Windward & St Thomas, Lowland

ANNEX VI**Eve-of-Poll Statement of 29 June 1995**

St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group*News Release*

The Chairman of the Commonwealth Observer Group to the General Election in St Kitts and Nevis said today that the Group has now completed its first round of consultations on St Kitts and will visit Nevis tomorrow Friday 30 June 1995.

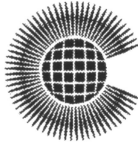
On St Kitts, the Group has met with leaders of the three political parties, with representatives of the churches and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and with the Commissioner of Police. The Group has also had extensive consultations with the Chairman of the Electoral Commission and his colleagues and with the Supervisor of Elections. Members of the Group have also had the opportunity to be present at major rallies of the three political parties on St Kitts and have thus been able to gain an appreciation of the issues involved in the campaign.

During its discussions with the Electoral Commission and the Supervisor of Elections, the Group was able to raise various matters which had been drawn to their attention by the political parties and others with whom they met.

During its forthcoming visit to Nevis on Friday, 30 June, the Group will meet with representatives of the political parties on Nevis, representatives of the churches, and other interested parties. They will also be meeting with electoral officials on Nevis.

Two members of the Commonwealth Group will remain in Nevis to continue the work of the mission and specifically to observe the poll and the count on Nevis on 3 July 1995.

Basseterre
29 June 1995

ANNEX VII**Interim Statement of 3 July 1995**

St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group*News Release***INTERIM STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN
JUSTICE P N BHAGWATI**

Our broad task as a Commonwealth Observer Group has been to observe the organisation and conduct of this General Election in accordance with the law of St Kitts and Nevis, and to determine whether conditions existed for the free expression of the will of the electors.

Our interim assessment up to the close of the poll is that the voters of St Kitts and Nevis have been able to cast their ballots in an environment free from intimidation or harassment and in a manner which provided the people of St Kitts and Nevis with the opportunity to vote freely for the candidates of their choice. There was transparency of procedures, and the secrecy of the ballot was assured.

In reaching this interim assessment, the members of the Group have had ample opportunity to study carefully the electoral arrangements and today they visited all polling stations in all the eleven constituencies of St Kitts and Nevis. Most polling stations were visited more than once, and many of them several times, throughout the course of the day. We were all individually present at randomly-selected polling stations for the opening of the poll at 7:00 am this morning, and also observed the closure of the poll in a similar fashion.

We found that voting procedures were properly followed in all polling stations. There were some minor variations which will be reflected in our report to be published. During the early part of the poll, the prescribed process appeared to be a little slow; but by the close of polling all those wanting to vote appeared to have done so, and without having to wait for any inordinate length of time.

We were generally impressed with the professionalism, efficiency and courtesy of Presiding Officers and other polling staff, who appeared to go out of their way to ensure that the voter could cast a valid ballot for the candidate of his or her choice. A particular feature was the practice of explaining to each voter the format of the ballot paper and the method of marking the paper. Special efforts were made by polling staff to assist the elderly and infirm, again consistent with the laid-down procedures.

We could not help but note the spirit of co-operation and even conviviality among the agents of the various political parties, both with each other and towards the polling officials with whom they worked in close tandem. All party agents with whom we spoke expressed full satisfaction with the way that voting was being conducted by electoral officers.

Police personnel on duty at polling stations were both friendly and helpful, assisting with the organisation of queues and generally ensuring the integrity of the polling stations.

The voters themselves queued from early morning and waited with patience and good humour for the opportunity to exercise their fundamental right to vote. The overall turnout of voters was good, underscoring a firm commitment by the people of St Kitts and Nevis to the democratic process.

Our full report will be finalised in the next few days. Thereafter it will be submitted to the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Chief Emeka Anyaoku, who will forward it to the Government of St Kitts and Nevis, to the leaders of the political parties and to Commonwealth governments.

Basseterre
3 July 1995

ANNEX VIII

Joint Statement Resulting from the Forum for National Unity

JOINT STATEMENT RESULTING FROM THE FORUM FOR NATIONAL UNITY

A Forum for National Unity was held at the Four Seasons Resort on Nevis on Tuesday, November 22, 1994.

The Forum was convened by the St Kitts & Nevis Chamber of Industry and Commerce and was attended by representatives of the ruling PAM/NRP Coalition government, the St Kitts - Nevis Labour Party, and the Concerned Citizens Movement of Nevis. Also in attendance were representatives of the Chamber, the Christian Councils of St Kitts and Nevis, the Evangelical Associations of St Kitts and Nevis, the St Kitts-Nevis Hotel and Tourism Association, the St Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union, and the St Kitts and Nevis Bar Association.

After extensive discussions lasting the entire day and covering all matters relevant to the present crisis facing our country the Forum for National Unity agreed that recent drug-related crime and the increase in crimes involving the use of guns pose a serious threat to the peace and security of all citizens and residents of St Kitts and Nevis and its economy. It was particularly agreed that continued adverse publicity would erode the confidence of both local and foreign investors and could easily leave a disastrous impact on the tourism industry.

It was agreed that the following action should be taken to address these problems:

1. Unequivocal condemnation of all drug-related criminal activity by all political parties and a joint declaration of party leaders to attack this scourge of our society. This declaration must include a public call for full co-operation with Scotland Yard's investigations and the re-assurance of the Police Force that its members will receive full support in clamping down on gun and drug-related crime in particular.
2. Immediate review of the operations of the Police Force to improve its morale, strengthen its crime fighting capacity and to redress the current political polarisation of its Officers and ranks.
3. Strengthening security and drug interdiction efforts at ports of entry and exit.
4. Immediate review of Governmental and community programmes and the development of new programmes to restore lost family, moral and civic values.

5. Complete review of the system of appointments to Government Commissions, Boards, Corporations, Authorities and other agencies with a view to establishing greater independence and efficiency in the operation of those bodies.
6. Strengthening the education system to counter the negative influences of the media and the drug culture.
7. Improving local programming on the Government broadcasting service to help counter the negative influences of Cable television.
8. General monitoring of ZIZ Radio and Television to establish a professional institution and protect its abuse for political purposes.
9. Elimination of the use of the political party newspapers and platforms to 'demonise' political opponents. The local media should be monitored by a committee comprising one nominee each of the Chamber, Christian Council, Evangelical Association, Business and Professional Women's Club, and youth groups in order to ensure compliance.
10. Introduction of a Code of Ethics for political activity.
11. Strengthening Government's Legal Department and the office of the Director of Public Prosecution.

In recognition of the urgent national need for political stability while the above measures are addressed and to restore the traditional peace and stability of our islands it was agreed that this agreement should include a decision on the date for the next General Elections. It was accordingly agreed that the next General Elections be held not later than November 15, 1995. In the interim period negotiations between all political parties represented in the National Assembly will be undertaken with the view of achieving participation by all such parties in decision-making of Government relating to:

- a. all major capital projects
- b. all major foreign investments
- c. land distribution
- d. Civil Service review
- e. Police Force improvement
- f. Code of Conduct for political activity

The need was stressed for a 'cooling off period' in which current tensions can be allowed to dissipate. All political parties pledged to work towards this end. Specifically, there will be no public political meetings during the month of December, 1994.

The meeting was conducted in an atmosphere of utmost cordiality and mutual respect in full recognition of the importance of these deliberations to the future of our country.

SIGNED AT FOUR SEASONS RESORT, NEVIS THIS 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1994

Right Honourable Dr Kennedy A Simmonds
Prime Minister & Leader of the People's
Action Movement

Honourable Dr Denzil Douglas
Leader of the St Kitts-Nevis Labour Party

Honourable Vance Amory
Premier of Nevis & Leader of the Concerned
Citizens Movement

Honourable Joseph W Parry
Leader of the Nevis Reformation Party

Richard O Skerritt
President, St Kitts & Nevis Chamber of
Industry and Commerce

Archdeacon Rudolph Smithen
President, St Kitts Christian Council

Pastor Leroy Benjamin
President, St Kitts Evangelical Association

Reverend Joyce Rohan
for Nevis Christian Council

Pastor Eric Maynard
for Nevis Evangelical Association

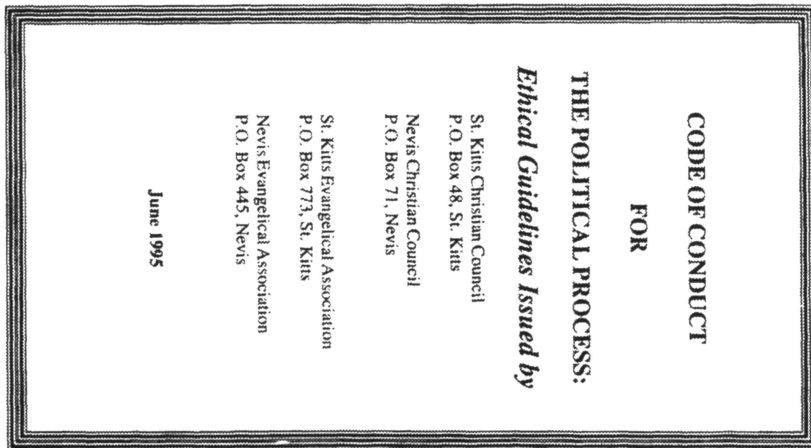
Lea L Moore, Q.C.
President, St Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union

Charles Wilkin
President, St Kitts-Nevis Bar Association

Glen Knorr
President, St Kitts-Nevis
Hotel and Tourism Association

ANNEX IX

Code of Conduct for the Political Process



GENERAL ELECTIONS

ETHICAL GUIDELINES

Pursuant to the Code of Conduct for the Political Process which was issued in 1993, The St. Kitts Christian Council, the St. Kitts Evangelical Association, the Nevis Christian Council and the Nevis Evangelical Association now issue Guidelines for Elections in St. Kitts and Nevis.

In our democracy, different strategies for social and economic development will be presented by the various political parties, and it is the people's right to make a choice through the process of General Elections. It is therefore the responsibility of all political leaders to propose the best way forward for all, especially for the poor or oppressed or marginalised.

However, electioneering is potentially divisive, and in the heat of campaigning it may be forgotten that we are one people. The following guidelines are being proposed in the interest of mature campaigning and fair and free elections. We therefore call on all concerned to accept and adhere to them:

A. TO THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- * The Electoral Commission should continue to be transparent and impartial.
- * Ensure that any person who is eligible to vote and does so apply is properly registered.
- * Any person who is eligible and properly registered to vote should not be denied the right to vote.

B. TO CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION, THEIR ASSOCIATES AND SUPPORTERS

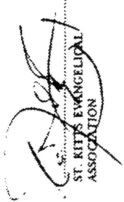
- * Candidates in any General Election need to justify their suitability by presenting proposals for the betterment of St. Kitts and Nevis, its people and land, and its interaction with the Caribbean region and the world.

- * The emphasis must be on issues rather than personalities.
- * No abusive attacks or innuendos may be directed to campaigners or their family members for reason of their race, social origins and background, education, gender, religion, or any other reason.
- * Candidates must seek to be truthful about the past and present socio-economic state of St. Kitts and Nevis.
- * Candidates must avoid raising unfulfillable expectations and making unrealistic promises.
- * Care must be taken not to incite sectional hostility or violence.
- * To further demonstrate political maturity and foster unity among the people, Parties not forming the Government should appeal to the Nation via the media to respect and acknowledge the Government formed by the due process of the Constitution of the Federation.
- * Campaign slogans and the like, affixed to walls, poles etcetera, should be such as are easily removable when campaigning ends. Special care should be taken to avoid defacing historic sites.
- * Electoral regulations should be observed and not circumvented.
- * Every person entitled to vote must be able to do so freely. Victimization of persons, interference with employment rights, intimidation, and the enticement with favours are gravely wrong.
- * Avoid language that is abusive, indecent or inflammatory.
- * When the election results have been finalised, unsuccessful candidates should accept defeat in the true spirit of sportsmanship and successful

Christian Council and the Nevis Evangelical Association, and pledge that I will put unreservedly into effect the guidelines provided for candidates, their associates and supporters.

Signature
Name (Please Print).....
Signature
Name (Please Print).....
Signature
Name (Please Print).....

DOCUMENT SIGNED AT A SERVICE HELD AT ST. GEORGES ANGLICAN CHURCH ON 16th JUNE 1995.....
IN THE PRESENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ST. KITTS CHRISTIAN COUNCIL, THE NEVIS CHRISTIAN COUNCIL, THE ST. KITTS EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION AND THE NEVIS EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION. THE SIGNATURES OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SAID ORGANISATIONS HAVE APPEARED THEIR SIGNATURES BELOW.

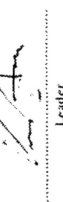
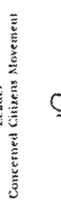
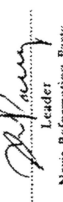

ST. KITTS CHRISTIAN COUNCIL


NEVIS EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION

- * Ensure that news stories are accurate.
- * Avoid the temptation to sensational reporting.
- * Independent Candidates and Political Parties should be given equal time on the National Broadcasting Service.

TO BE SIGNED BY LEADERS OF PARTIES

We the undersigned candidates, who in the forthcoming elections will be leading other candidates seeking seats in the National Assembly of St. Kitts and Nevis, approve of the ethical guidelines issued by the St. Kitts Christian Council, the St. Kitts Evangelical Association, the Nevis Christian Council and the Nevis Evangelical Association, and pledge that we will put unreservedly into effect the guidelines provided for candidates, their associates and supporters, and request those whom we lead to do so.

 Leader
People's Action Movement
 Leader
Concerned Citizens Movement
 Leader
Nevis Reformation Party
..... Leader
United People's Party

TO BE SIGNED BY INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

I the undersigned candidate, who will be seeking a seat in the National Assembly of St. Kitts and Nevis, approve of the Ethical Guidelines issued by the St. Kitts Christian Council, The St. Kitts Evangelical Association, The Nevis

candidates should celebrate victory gracefully and humbly.

C. TO VOTERS

- * It is the individual's fundamental right to vote. A voter should not abstain from voting without good reason.
- * All persons eligible to register should seek at all times to be honest with the information they impart.
- * Do not sell your vote. You thereby forfeit your freedom of choice and devalue your worth as a person.
- * Exercise your responsibility for the well-being of St. Kitts and Nevis by voting for a candidate of ability and integrity. Integrity would include adherence to the ethical guidelines herein.
- * Integrity, good character, and sound judgement as manifested in your behaviour as a Voter is important to the Political Process, and those whom you seek to elect.
- * Vote after serious consideration of all candidates' policies.

- * Each person has a right to his or her views and to support the candidate he or she prefers. Respect must be maintained for the opinion of others.
- * Each voter has a responsibility to obey the law and to promote the maintenance of law and order throughout the Federation.

D. TO THE MEDIA

- * Report the campaigning honestly and impartially.

ANNEX X

Letter to Chairman of the Electoral Commission – 29 June 1995



St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995
Commonwealth Observer Group

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Basseterre

29 June 1995

Dear Mr. Wilkin,

In the light of the extensive discussions we have had since our arrival with the Electoral Commission and political parties, I am prompted to write to you with a view that you would urgently consider several suggestions which have arisen in the course of these discussions. We believe that improvements could be effected which would enhance public perception of the integrity and impartiality of the electoral process and bolster confidence in its transparency.

During the course of our discussions on 28 June 1995 with you and your colleagues on the Commission, at which the Supervisor of Elections was also present, our attention was drawn to the possibility that the final voters' roll published for use at the 3 July 1995 elections might have inadvertently excluded some eligible voters. We understood that even at this late stage the Supervisor of Elections could allow the voters' roll to be corrected, even up to the eve of the elections, so as to enable an affected voter, who would otherwise be disenfranchised, to vote. Mindful of the importance of every qualified voter being able to exercise the franchise, we would welcome every effort to review the cases in which eligible voters have been erroneously excluded.

Concern has been expressed by political parties that the practice of delivering to Presiding Officers the election materials, including the ballot papers, and permitting these to be stored overnight in the private homes of the Presiding Officers, runs an unnecessary risk of jeopardising the carefully prescribed procedures for safeguarding the security of the process. All the political parties we have spoken to have expressed to us the view that they would have no objection to the polling materials being delivered to appropriately located police stations where they could be stored overnight under strict security guard. The political parties could then have their

Mr Charles Wilkin
Chairman
Electoral Commission

agents present throughout until the materials are delivered to the Presiding Officers on election morning. We would recommend this as an eminently desirable procedure to follow so as to remove any doubts about the transparency of the process, particularly on the eve of the poll.

Another concern that has been articulated relates to the actual process of voting. It would seem that although the relevant rule of CAP 162 appears to suggest by way of a procedural provision that the Presiding Officer should place the marked ballot paper in the ballot box, this practice has not been uniform in all cases. We understand that in some instances in the past, the voter himself or herself has been allowed to place the ballot paper in the ballot box.

In any case we would suggest that it would be desirable for Presiding Officers to adopt a flexible approach by allowing the voter wherever possible to personally place the ballot paper in the ballot box. In making this recommendation we have in mind that the wide discretionary powers which both the Supervisor of Elections and the Electoral Commission have in terms of sub-sections 34(4) and (7) of the Constitution, would permit both authorities to implement our suggestion.

Naturally, we raise these matters in the full knowledge that they fall entirely within your jurisdiction and are for the Commission alone to decide. We do so in the belief that they can be dealt with expeditiously and in a manner that could facilitate greater confidence in the transparency and integrity of the electoral process.

We would welcome an opportunity to meet with you and your colleagues again when you have had the opportunity to consider these suggestions.

Yours Sincerely,

P N Bhagwati

Justice P N Bhagwati
Chairman
Commonwealth Observer Group

Mr Charles Wilkin
Chairman
Electoral Commission
Basseterre
St Kitts

ANNEX XI

Correspondence from Chairman of the Electoral Commission



ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

Electoral Office,
East Independence Square Street,
Basseterre,
St. Kitts, W. I.

Tel: 2873

30th June 1995

Justice P N Bhagwati
Chairman
Commonwealth Observer Group
Fort Thomas Hotel
Basseterre

Dear Justice Bhagwati,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29th June 1995 which was followed by your meeting with this Commission. I enclose copies of the following documents which indicate that we have not obtained unanimous consent to the proposals made by your Group, viz:

1. Agreement signed by all candidates of St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party.
2. Agreement signed by all candidates of United Peoples Party.
3. Mr Petty's letter to me of even date.
4. Letter from People's Action Movement.
5. My reply to the Labour Party.
6. My reply to U.P.P.

The Commission is most appreciative of your Group's suggestions and looks forward to continued close co-operation.

Yours Sincerely,

Leon Wilson

*Chairman
Electoral Commission*

LABOUR

ST. KITTS, NEVIS & ANTIGUA

POLITICAL LEADER: Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas, M.P.
SECRETARY: Herbert Wycliffe-Morton LLB (LOND)

We the undersigned Candidates for the respective constituencies noted below against our names agree to the following procedures to be implemented in the conduct of the General Elections on Monday 3rd July 1995.

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2. Each Returning Officer will collect the Ballot Papers, Ballot Boxes and Ink for his/her constituency from the Supervisor of Elections at the Basseterre Senior High School between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday 2nd July 1995 (in Nevis on Saturday 1st July, 1995 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.) and will immediately take same to the designated Police Station in his constituency and leave same with the Officer on duty. A list of designated Police Stations is attached.
3. Each Political Party will be entitled to station an Agent at each designated Police Station while the Ballot Papers, Ballot Boxes and Ink are kept there. Agents may be used in shifts for this purpose. Names of agents must be given to Supervisor of Elections by 4 p.m. on Saturday 1st July, 1995.
4. The Ballot Papers, Ballot Boxes and Ink will be collected from the designated Police Station by Presiding Officers not later than 6 a.m. on the morning of the Election and will be taken by each Presiding Officer directly to his/her Polling Station. Agents of the Parties may follow the Presiding Officers.

B. VOTING PROCEDURE

1. Voters will be allowed to cast their ballots as follows:
 - (a) Presiding Officer initials ballot paper and delivers same to Voter.

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- (b) Voter proceeds to polling compartment marks and folds ballot in prescribed manner.
- (c) Voter returns to Presiding Officer and displays to Presiding Officer the officer's initials in the space provided on the ballot paper.
- (d) Voter removes counterfoil from ballot paper and delivers same to Presiding Officer or at Voter's option requests Presiding Officer do so.
- (e) Voter immerses right index finger in electoral ink.
- (f) Voter deposits ballot in ballot box or at Voter's option requests Presiding Officer to do so.

All other procedures set out in the National Assembly Elections Act Cap.162 shall be strictly followed.

NAME OF CANDIDATE	CONSTITUENCY	SIGNATURE	DATE	WITNESS
EARL 'ASIM' MARTIN	1	<i>Earl Martin</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
G. A. DWYER ASTAPHAN	2	<i>G. A. Dwyer</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
SAM CONDOR	3	<i>Sam Condor</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
RUPERT E HERBERT	4	<i>Rupert E Herbert</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
BERTRAM L CHARLES	5	<i>Bertram L Charles</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
DENZIL L DOUGLAS	6	<i>Denzil L Douglas</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
TIMOTHY HARRIS	7	<i>Timothy Harris</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>
CEDRIC R LIBURD	8	<i>Cedric R Liburd</i>	June 29/95	<i>Col. Kelly</i>

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FIRST AND
COUNTRY
ABOVE SELF.



ECONOMIC
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JUSTICE FOR
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30 June 1995

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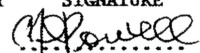
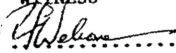
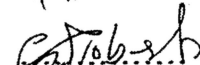
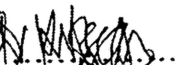
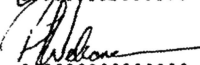
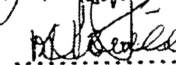
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NAME OF CANDIDATE	CONSTITUENCY	SIGNATURE	DATE	WITNESS
Michael O Powell	# 1		30/6/1995	
Cecil Roberts	# 2		30/6/1995	
Patrick F. Welcome	# 8		30/6/1995	

PEOPLE'S ACTION MOVEMENT

President: Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Dr K A Simmons
 General Secretary: Deputy Prime Minister, Hon Hugh Heytger

Rec'd
 4:55 P.M.
 1995-06-30

To Clean Hands And Shave For Progress

June 30, 1995

The Chairman
 Electoral Commission
 Basseterre

Dear Sir,

We acknowledge receipt of the "Draft Agreement" in respect of procedures to be implemented in the conduct of the General Elections.

Whereas the People's Action Movement has no objection in principle to the recommendations put forward by the Commonwealth Observers, we feel obliged to decline signing any such agreement.

The proposals put forward clearly contradict the regulations stipulated under our Constitution and Election Laws, and such an agreement would be of no effect if challenged in our court system.

If changes are to be made, they can only be made through the medium of the National Assembly.

Yours faithfully,

Vincent Byron, Jr
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

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St. Kitts, W. I.

Tel: 2873

June 30, 1995

Mr. Charles Wilkin,
Chairman,
Electoral Commission,
BASSETERRE.

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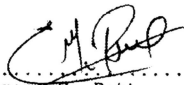
Re: Draft Document on Ballot Papers
Ballot Boxes and Electoral Ink;
and Voting Procedure

We are submitting for your information copies of signed agreement by the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and the United Peoples Party, in relation to the above-captioned issues.

At the time of writing (3:30 p.m.), no reply to the Draft document has been received from the People's Action Movement, The Concerned Citizen Movement and the Nevis Reformation Party. However, Mr. Eugene Hamilton, Member of the Commission, has advised me by telephone that the People's Action Movement opposes the Agreement, particularly Section B on voting procedure. So, at this point in time, we do not have full agreement.

I should also point out that the Draft agreement was discussed with the eight (8) Returning Officers in St. Kitts. The Returning Officers have advised me that they would not be party to the Agreement, in terms of implementing it. It is felt that the suggested changes, coming at this late hour, could create tremendous confusion. I have therefore been instructed by the Returning Officers to advise that they are prepared to resign, with immediate effect, if the Agreement is enforced.

Yours sincerely,


.....
Eugene G. Petty
Supervisor of Elections

cc Mr. Eugene Hamilton
Member
Electoral Commission

Mr. Edmund Lawrence
Member
Electoral Commission



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30th June 1995

Hon Dr Denzil L Douglas
Leader of St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party
Church Street
Basseterre

Dear Sir

I acknowledge receipt of a document indicating acceptance by the candidates of your Party of the proposed procedures relating to storage of ballot papers, ballot boxes and electoral ink overnight Sunday 2nd July 1995 and relating to voting procedures. These procedures were recommended by the Commonwealth Observer Mission and approved by the Electoral Commission subject to the written approval of all candidates in the General Election.

I attach copies of self explanatory letters received from the People's Action Movement and from the Supervisor of Elections.

As there is not unanimous consent I must indicate that the proposed procedures will not be implemented.

Yours faithfully

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CHARLES L WILKIN
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Electoral Commission

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Member
- c.c. Mr Eugene Hamilton
Member
- c.c. Mr Eugene Petty
Supervisor of Elections



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Cayon Street
Basseterre

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30th June 1995

Executive Director
People's Action Movement
Central Street
Basseterre

Dear Sir

RE: DRAFT DOCUMENT ON BALLOT PAPERS, BALLOT BOXES
AND ELECTORAL INK; AND VOTING PROCEDURE

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of even date and enclose copies of a letter received from the Supervisor of Elections and of my replies to the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and the United People's Party.

Yours faithfully

CHARLES L WILKIN
Chairman
Electoral Commission

c. c. Mr Edmund Lawrence
Member

Mr Eugene Hamilton
Member

Mr Eugene Petty
Supervisor of Elections

ANNEX XII**Observation Notes for Poll and Count and Check List for Polling Station Visits**

St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group

OBSERVATION NOTES FOR POLL AND COUNT**PART A**

The Observers may focus particular attention on the following aspects of the conduct of the election:

THE CAMPAIGN

1. The extent of access to the electronic media available to all parties.
2. The procedure for the allocation of time for political broadcasts and advertisements on radio and television.
3. The extent of access enjoyed by the political parties to the print media.
4. The tone and content of political broadcasts, advertisements and posters put out by the political parties.
5. The conduct of political meetings.
6. The conduct of house-to-house canvassing of voters.
7. The voter education programme on radio and television conducted by the Electoral Commission and others.
8. Permits for public meetings.
9. Access to printing facilities.
10. Access to funds and sources of funds.

THE POLL

1. The location of polling stations.
2. Distances travelled by voters to polling stations, particularly in rural areas.
3. The length of time voters wait to cast their votes.
4. The steps taken to ensure that the secrecy of the ballot is assured.
5. The performance of electoral officials at the polling stations visited.
6. The procedure followed at the opening of the poll.
7. The adequacy or otherwise of facilities at polling stations and their state of readiness.
8. The procedures in place to ensure proper security of ballot papers, ballot boxes and official seals.
9. The general atmosphere at the polling stations visited.
10. Availability of adequate supplies, eg, ballot papers, official stamps and stamp-pads, indelible ink, etc.
11. Security of ballot papers prior to election.
12. Access of party agents to polling stations.

THE COUNT

1. Inspection of seals.
2. The process of reconciling the number of people who voted with the number of ballots cast.
3. The determination of invalid ballots.
4. The conduct of electoral officers.
5. The facilities for candidates and their representatives to witness and verify the count.

PART B

Questions that may be put:

BEFORE POLLING DAY

1. Was the Voters' Register compiled in a satisfactory way? Were people missed out? Were the names of dead people included?
2. Who are the election officials? How were they chosen? Are voters confident that they will be impartial?
3. Is the person in the street satisfied with arrangements? Will he/she vote? If not, is he/she afraid to do so?
4. Have all parties been able to campaign freely? Has the campaign been free of intimidation, etc? Have all parties had full access to the mass media?
5. Is there freedom to advertise and distribute posters, leaflets, etc?

ON POLLING DAY

1. Before polling starts, are the ballot boxes empty? Are they properly sealed?
2. Are all procedures being adhered to?
3. Are all parties represented at polling stations? Are they satisfied with the process?
4. Are voters apparently voting freely? Are they enthusiastic? Do they talk freely? Do they exhibit signs of fear or intimidation?
5. Do voters understand the procedures properly? If not, are the procedures being explained fully and impartially? Are attempts being made to suggest how voters should vote?
6. Is only one person at a time being allowed into the voting booth?
7. How long are voters waiting to vote? If a long time, are some being put off?
8. Will all parties be represented at polling stations throughout voting and count? Are party polling agents adequately trained and vigilant?

9. Will foreign observers have free access to all stages of the process?
10. Is the security presence oppressive?

THE COUNT

1. Are the boxes kept safe until opened? Are all parties present at opening?
2. Does the number of used ballot papers tally with the record of those who voted?
3. Are the papers counted properly? Are counting agents present? Are they satisfied with the procedure of the count?



St Kitts & Nevis General Election, 1995

Commonwealth Observer Group

CHECKLIST FOR POLLING STATION VISITS

Name of Observer(s):.....

Constituency:

Polling Station:

Time of Arrival:

Voters in Queue: Rate of Processing:

1. **Opening of Poll:** On time? Procedures followed?
 No/Yes No/Yes
 Details:
2. **Layout and Facilities:** Good? Adequate? Poor?
3. **Polling Staff:** Efficient? Satisfactory? Poor?
4. **Security Presence:** Discreet? Intrusive? Oppressive?
5. **Complaints by Party Polling Agents:** No/Yes Details:
6. **Complaints by Voters:** No/Yes Details:
7. **Mood at Station?** Orderly? Tense? Chaotic?
8. **Secrecy of Ballot:** Assured? Poor? Uncertain

9. **Voting:**
- (a) Personation attempts alleged: No/Yes
Details:
- (b) Multiple voting attempts alleged: No/Yes
Details:
10. **Closing of Poll:** On time? Numbers still in queue?
Procedure followed? No/Yes
11. **The Count:** Are procedures being observed? No/Yes
12. **Apparent fairness overall:** Good? Acceptable?
Questionable?
13. **Other Comments:**

ANNEX XIII**Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Committee to Promote Compliance with the Code of Conduct**

**MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

Held on June 26, 1995

PRESENT: Representatives from the St. Kitts Christian Council, the St. Kitts Evangelical Association, and the Chamber of Industry and Commerce.

Below are the submissions received by the committee and the actions recommended:

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED	RECOMMENDED ACTION
<p>1. A press release from the Labour Party concerning incidents at Old Road was discussed. A press release from the Police Commissioner on the same matter was also discussed. Prior to the start of the meeting, an attempt was also made by Mr Oliver Spencer to make a verbal submission. Mr Spencer was requested to put his submission in writing as an official submission from the PAM party.</p> <p>The committee further discussed the overall state of tension and uncertainty surrounding the Old Road and other incidents of Sunday, June 25th.</p> <p>The committee is of the view that our biggest concern now is to ensure the following (a) Both the PAM party and the Labour Party need to take action to minimize the fall-out from these events. (b) The opportunity for further outbreaks of violence need to be minimized.</p> <p>2. The committee also identified the frequent gathering and unlawful action by a gang of youths at the junction of Carty Alley and Pond Road as a serious threat to public safety.</p>	<p>The committee recommends that no further motorcades be held prior to the election. The committee further recommends that both PAM and Labour withdraw their requests for such permission.</p> <p>The committee recommends that any further meetings in Old Road be held in a location such as to allow diversion of traffic around the north of Old Road.</p> <p>The committee recommends that there be greater police presence at political meetings, and that the police be instructed to take swift action against all acts of violence..</p> <p>The committee recommends greater police surveillance of areas such as this in order to minimize the likelihood of public danger.</p>



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Committee to Promote Compliance with the Code of Conduct is of the firm view that no more motorcades should be held on St. Kitts by any political party prior to the upcoming Federal election.

This is the recommendation which has been made following the outbreak of several acts of violence related to two recent motorcades which were held on Sunday 18th and Sunday 25th June. The committee is therefore appealing to the leaders of both the People's Action Movement and the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party to withdraw their respective requests for permission to hold motorcades over the coming weekend.

The committee is also appealing to supporters of both the PAM and Labour parties, and for public support in general, to put an abrupt end to all acts of political violence. The committee condemns all acts which may have been carried out by supporters of both sides and urges political leaders to work even harder to ensure that their supporters conduct themselves in a lawful and orderly manner. Disruption of campaign activity benefits no one party in particular and should be discouraged by all.

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The Committee to Promote Compliance with the Code of Conduct is comprised of representatives of the Christian Council, the Evangelical Association and the Chamber of Industry and Commerce. The committee meets daily to consider submissions from top political party officials and candidates regarding violations of the Code.

June 26, 1995

ANNEX XIV

Order of Service for National Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace and Reconciliation

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING
FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION**



ECUMENICAL SERVICE

MONDAY, JULY 28, 1995

AT

**ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
BASSETERRE**

5.00PM

**CONDUCTED BY
ST. KITTS CHRISTIAN COUNCIL
&
ST. KITTS EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION**



ORDER OF SERVICE

- Introductory Hymn - 'Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah'
- Welcome Remarks - Archdeacon Rudolph Smithen (Anglican Church)
- Hymn - 'Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us'
- Opening Prayer - Rev. Aldain Charles, SKEA
- 1st Lesson - Psalm 145 (Said by all)
- 2nd Lesson - Romans 15:1 - 7
Rev. Charles Seaton, SKCC
- Hymn - 'Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us'
- Meditation - Archdeacon Smithen, Ag. Chairman SKCC
Pastor Leroy Benjamin, Chairman SKEA
- Offertory Hymn - 'God Of Our Fathers'
- The Peace 'Let There Be Peace On Earth'
- Closing Prayer & - Pastor Leroy Benjamin, Chairman SKEA
Benediction
- Recessional Hymn - 'Who Can Sound The Depths Of Sorrow'

ANNEX XV

Sample Ballot Paper

SAMPLE BALLOT PAPER

FORM NO. 11.




Nº 6732

..... Electoral District.

Polling Day.....

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..... Do not fold beyond this line.....

1 JAMES, JOHN P. Cayon Street, Shopkeeper.		
2 ROBINSON, PETER F. Central Street, Carpenter.		X
3 SMITH, GEORGE R. Church Street, Mechanic.		

ANNEX XVI

Data on Votes Cast

GENERAL ELECTIONS 1995
VOTES CAST PER ELECTORAL DISTRICT IN ST. KITTS AND NEVIS

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	REGISTERED VOTERS	VOTES CAST	
		NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
St. Christopher (1)	4,195	2,974	70.9
St. Christopher (2)	5,291	3,699	69.9
St. Christopher (3)	2,576	1,728	67.1
St. Christopher (4)	2,240	1,720	76.8
St. Christopher (5)	2,260	1,626	71.9
St. Christopher (6)	2,499	1,769	70.9
St. Christopher (7)	2,657	1,927	72.5
St. Christopher (8)	4,001	2,934	73.3
Nevis (9)	2,520	1,352	53.6
Nevis (10)	1,416	788	55.6
Nevis (11)	2,071	1,173	56.6
TOTAL	31,726	21,690	68.4

GENERAL ELECTIONS 1995
VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH PARTY

PARTY	BALLOTS CAST		PERCENTAGE OF *REGISTERED VOTERS
	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE	
People's Action Movement	7,530	34.7	23.7
St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party	10,722	49.4	33.8
United People's Party	71	0.4	0.3
Nevis Reformation Party	1,521	7.0	4.8
Concerned Citizens Movement	1,777	8.2	5.6
Independent	3	0.0	0.0
Rejected Ballots	66	0.3	0.2
TOTAL	21,690	100.0	68.4

* (Total Registered voters = 31,726)

COMPARISON OF VOTES CAST IN 1980, 1984, 1989, 1993 AND 1995 GENERAL ELECTIONS

YEAR	TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	VOTES CAST	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST
1980	19,921	14,850	74.5
* 1984	23,328	18,135	77.7
1989	26,481	17,682	66.8
1993	28,987	19,256	66.4
1995	31,726	21,690	68.4

* The actual total number of Registered Voters in 1984 was 24,504. However, the voters for Electoral District of Nevis 10, (1,176 Voters) did not vote as the nominated candidate was unopposed and was duly declared the representative.

ANNEX XVII**Press Release from Chamber of Industry and Commerce of 5 July 1995****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The St. Kitts and Nevis Chamber of Industry and Commerce has written to newly-elected Prime Minister the Hon Dr Denzil Douglas to congratulate him and his colleagues on their recent victory in the general election of July 3.

In its letter to the newly-elected Prime Minister the Chamber also expressed a willingness to make available its resources to the new Labour Party administration, particularly in the area of developing and implementing economic policy.

The Chamber has also congratulated Dr Douglas on the statesmanlike approach which he has exhibited in the dawn of his victory. Chamber President Ricky Skerritt said that this approach is a requisite for the healing process which will be vital to building confidence throughout the nation, and particularly in the private sector.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

July 5, 1995

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