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21 CUBAN MIGRANTS REPATRIATED

Today, at approximately 2:29PM (18) eighteen Males and (3) three Females were repatriated from New Providence to Havana, Cuba. This group was escorted by a joint law enforcement team, comprising of Officers of the Royal Bahamas Defence Force and the Immigration Department.

This escort was led by Vonnetta Darling-Flowers, Senior Immigration Officer onboard a Bahamasair charter flight, with all Ministry of Health COVID-19 protocols strictly enforced. The health, welfare and safety of our officers, law enforcement counterparts, and migrants remain the highest priority in this COVID-19 environment. The Department of Immigration extends special thanks to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Health, and the Cuban Embassy for their usual and full cooperation.

The public is reminded that the Department is committed to executing the mandates of our agency by effectively coordinating efforts with other Law Enforcement agencies, and international stakeholders to ensure compliance with the Statute Laws of our country.

For more information please contact the Department of Immigration's Public Relations Unit or visit our website: www.immigration.gov.bs

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Mission Statement: *To regulate the movement of people across the borders of The Bahamas so as to ensure the security, facilitate economic advancement and promote the harmonious social development of The Bahamas through the collaborative efforts of responsible government and non-government agencies both nationally and internationally*