

The Grenada

NEWSLETTER

Volume 8 Number 11

For The Week Ending 30th August 1980

5th Year of Publication - - - - 244th Issue



GRENADA TO TRY TO REGAIN NORTH AMERICAN TOURIST TRADE

The Government of Grenada in cooperation with the Grenada Hotel Association (GHA) and the Caribbean Tourism Association (CTA) is to mount an "aggressive public relations campaign" in an attempt to regain the North American tourist trade the island has lost.

Mr. Royston Hopkin, GHA President, disclosed this to NEWSLETTER today (30th) and said this move is essential because "there is little or nothing left of the trade we enjoyed from the United States and Canada".

"The North American is misreading Grenada's association with Cuba" Mr. Hopkin said. "We certainly have Cubans in the island assisting with our agriculture, fisheries and medical services, and we are getting massive assistance from them with our international airport. However, when the media reports these things, the average North American incorrectly visualises Cuban troops and a military atmosphere and decides to spend his vacation elsewhere".

The GHA President said a promotional tour has been arranged to give the true picture to the North American public generally and the North American travel trade specifically. A team leaves here on September 20th and seminars have been arranged for Toronto on September 21st, Chicago on 22nd and Los Angeles on 25th.

- continued -

Produced & Printed by Alister & Cynthia Hughes
P O Box 55, St. Georges, Grenada, Westindies

Provisionally, the team is expected to comprise Dr. John Watts, Chairman of the Grenada Tourist Board, Mrs. Angela Bishop, Deputy Secretary for Tourism, Mr. Royston Hopkin, President of the Grenada Hotel Association and Mrs Gillian Thompson, Executive Director of the Grenada Hotel Association.

Opportunity

Mr. Hopkin said that, in October, Grenada will have another opportunity for promotion in North America when CTA launches its first ever travel trade show under the name of "The Fall Caribbean Travel Trade Exposition - The Caribbean, a World of its own".

"In the past", Mr. Hopkin said, "the Caribbean has been one of the participants in travel trade shows put on by other people, but we feel now that the Caribbean is important enough as an area to attract to our show all the people who are interested in this region.

The GHA President said Grenada will take a booth in the CTA Travel Trade Exposition which show, he said, will concentrate on cities on the north eastern seaboard of North America.

Mr. Hopkin said a continuing problem for the Grenada Tourist Trade is the lack of adequate airline seats on Liat. During August, he said, it was "difficult if not impossible" to get out or into Grenada from Trinidad or Barbados and he believed the island lost thousands of dollars from potential visitors who were unable to get to the island. He hoped the airline would make proper provision for the coming Winter Season.

Commenting on the cruise liner tourist trade to Grenada, Mr. Hopkin noted that, for the first six months of 1980, a record number of ships and passengers visited the island. "In spite of misconceptions about Grenada", he said, "the North American traveller has no objections to visiting the island in the course of his Caribbean cruise and our scenic beauty, friendliness and easily accessible, beautiful beaches are drawing more and more people every year".

-continued-

Concerning the coming Winter Season, Mr. Hopkin said the number of visitors from Europe, particularly West Germany and the United Kingdom, will be much greater this year than last. "Our bookings from that area have increased very satisfactorily", he said, "but the flow is still not enough to offset the loss from North America. This is why the promotion to be taken on by Government, GHA and CTA is so important, and I am confident that it will be successful".

(584 words)

NO CUBAN VISAS: TRIP POSTPONED

In the last issue of NEWSLETTER (Volume 8 Number 10 for the week ending 16th August) it was advised that the Editors had accepted an invitation to spend two weeks in Cuba as part of a Christian Church Group.

Departure for Cuba was scheduled for Friday August 22nd, but did not take place because visas were not obtained.

To date, these visas have not been obtained and the Editors have been advised that the visit to Cuba has been postponed.

NOEL ATTACKS PASSPORT LAW

The Peoples Revolutionary Government (PRG) has branded former Acting Attorney General Lloyd Noel an "opportunist", and said he continually displayed personal and party indiscipline. The PRG says also that Mr. Noel has been guilty of "serious lapses bordering on corruption".

These charges are part of an official statement issued by the PRG on August 29th in reply to criticisms made on August 27th by Mr. Noel of People's Law No. 40 enacted by the PRG on August 5th, and published in the Government Gazette of August 8th. continued -

This Law, Passport Law 1980, states, among other things, that "Grenadian passports remain the property of the Government of Grenada and may be withdrawn at any time by the Minister . . ."

It states also that "the validity of any Grenadian passport may be restricted to any named country or countries as the Minister thinks fit".

Mr. Noel, 46, who since the revolution has held the post of Acting Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, resigned from the PRG on June 9th last because of unspecified "differences of opinion". "I have discussed the matter with Prime Minister Bishop" he told NEWSLETTER at the time, "and my resignation is by mutual agreement".

Speaking to NEWSLETTER on August 27th, the former Acting Attorney General called the Passport Law "repugnant, offensive and oppressive". According to him, there was no law governing the issue of Grenadian passports before the Passport Law was passed by the PRG. "Application for and grants of passports were made under what is known as Royal Prerogative", he said, "that is, at the discretion of the Crown, in our case the PRG and former Governments".

Fundamental

The former Acting Attorney General objected to the provisions of the Passport Law which state that Grenadian passports now remain the property of the PRG and may be withdrawn by the Minister at any time, and that the Minister may restrict the use of the passport to certain countries as he thinks fit. These provisions he said, make fundamental changes in the "unwritten rules and regulations" governing the issue of passports formerly.

Concerning the provision relative to the passport remaining the property of the Government and being subject to withdrawal by the Minister at any time, Mr. Noel cited the English Common Law case of Ghani vs Jones in 1970. In that case, he said, the Police seized the passports of three people who they felt might help in their inquiries into a murder case, but the Courts ordered the immediate return of the passports.

- continued -

Mr. Noel said the Courts ruled that passports belong to the Government but that the Plaintiffs, as possessors of those passports, have a right to them. The Courts said also that a man's liberty of movement is not to be hindered or prevented except on the surest of grounds, and it must not be taken away on suspicion which is not grave enough to warrant his arrest.

"These statements are equally applicable to our State and citizens", Mr. Noel said, "and the principles they lay down should be guarded jealously by all concerned, from the PRG down to the humblest member of our society".

Offensive

In connection with the power given the Minister to restrict the use of a Grenadian passport to certain countries, the former Acting Attorney General said he found this provision of the law "offensive and oppressive". "It is against every facet of freedom of the individual in any civilised society that any minister of any Government should have the power by law to restrict the movement of its citizens to only those countries of which he or his Government approves", he said.

Mr. Noel said that, viewed from the background that members of the PRG are free to travel to any and every country as often as they please without let or hindrance, and remembering the rumour in 1979 that the PRG would be stopping people over 19 from leaving the island, "Passport Law 1980 takes on very sinister proportions".

"As trustees and Executors of the Sovereign powers and rights of the people, with powers to issue such Laws, Orders, Rules and Regulations for the restoration and preservation of Peace, Order and Good Government of Grenada", Mr. Noel said, "the PRG, by the promulgation of Peoples Law No. 40 of 1980, the Passport Law, is in breach of that Trust and should after serious and meaningful re-consideration, remedy that breach".

The former Attorney General told NEWSLETTER that, under date of August 26th, he had sent a letter to the Editor of the Government owned "Free West Indian" expressing these views and he hoped his

- continued -

comments would provoke discussion " on this very important topic of Grenadians' freedom both inside and outside Grenada". He thought that to hide behind real or imaginary fears would be to give away one's rights or lose them by default".

"If Grenadians should ignore these inroads into our democratic rights and freedoms, or sit by the wayside and pretend otherwise", he said, " then I predict that 'too late shall be our cry'".

Surprise

In Government's published reply, it expressed surprise that Mr. Noel, "who is a practising lawyer should appear to be unaware that, in all independent countries of the world, passports are and always have been the property of the Government and may be withdrawn at any time by the Government or its use restricted to certain countries".

The PRG statement says that, because the passport can be withdrawn or its use restricted does not mean the Minister responsible can act in an arbitrary and irresponsible manner. "The Minister must act in accordance with established principles", the statement says" and, where there is a lawful reason for so acting. If it is considered that the Minister acted in an unlawful manner, it is then open to the party to seek a declaration from the Court as to his or her legal rights".

"What Mr. Noel has done", the statement says, "was to suggest the PRG had deviously concocted a sinister plan which was aimed at reducing the rights of citizens, but the PRG believes those provisions have always been part of English Common Law which forms the basis of all laws of Commonwealth Countries".

The statement said that, since Mr. Noel's association with the New Jewel Movement in 1973, "he has proved himself to be a highly opportunistic person and has continually displayed personal and party indiscipline and has even been guilty of serious lapses bordering on corruption". These facts were exposed within the Party during 1976, the statement says, and Mr. Noel "quietly withdrew much to the relief of the Party".

- continued -

The statement says that, at the time of the revolution, the decision was taken "to give Mr. Noel another chance to prove himself and to serve his country, and he was appointed to the PRG". "However", the statement says, "notwithstanding the serious objections, Mr. Noel insisted on keeping his private practice open while acting as the country's Attorney General".

Discouraged

In addition, the statement says, Mr. Noel constantly refused to attend meetings and actively discouraged people from purchasing International Airport Bonds, "the single most important project of the PRG". "These facts and other factors were taken into account", the statement says, "and the PRG then asked for his resignation in June last".

The statement said that, with "this kind of history", it did not surprise the PRG that Mr. Noel "opportunistically launched this attack", but what was less easy to understand was the prominence given Mr. Noel's statement by the regional media. "Any professional journalist who took pride in his work should at least look into his own passport before rushing into print", the statement concluded.

The "Free West Indian" has not published Mr. Noel's letter but, in a front page newsstory/editorial of August 30th under the caption "Passport Tempest In a Teapot", attacks Mr. Noel as "a disgruntled former Acting Attorney General with a history of opportunism". Referring to Mr. Noel's criticisms of Passport Law 1980 as "confused and dubious logic", the paper said his attack on the Law was "local reaction" which had "tried again to discredit the Grenada Revolution but failed embarrassingly".

(1348 words)

GES DENIES SECOND-HAND PARTS CHARGE

Rodney George, Manager of Grenada Electricity Services Ltd (GES) has denied that his Company is repairing its generating equipment with secondhand spares obtained from other islands.

The denial came at a press conference called by Mr. George on August 27th in the wake of attacks on the Company which have appeared in the Government owned "Free West Indian" newspaper in its issues

- continued -

of 16th and 23rd August.

According to the newspaper, "workers and householders are threatening to picket the Company" if recent power outages continue.

"They feel the Company has done little to replace parts for these machines" the paper said, "and in some cases, instead of new parts, old parts are taken from countries close to Grenada".

"That report is totally false", Mr. George said, "and is nowhere near the truth".

The Manager pointed out that GES is jointly owned by the Government of Grenada and the Commonwealth Development Corporation (CDC), the latter having a similar ownership arrangement with the other Windward Island Governments with respect to their electric utilities. Mr. George said the other Windward Islands use, to a large extent, the same make of diesel generating equipment as is used in Grenada, and so stock similar spares.

"Consequently, on occasions when we may not have an item in stock, it can be obtained easily from one of the neighbouring Companies", he said, "and there is no question of old or second-hand parts being used".

Attack

Mr. George referred also to the attack in the "Free West Indian" on the Company's application to Government for a 4.5 cent per unit average tariff increase. According to the newspaper, this increase "is viewed with shock and anger" and it reported one Government official as saying that there is constant conflict between the objectives of the Company and the interests of the people.

The paper reported that this official said also that the law governing fuel surcharges is defined in such a way that the cost of fuel GES used is passed entirely on to consumers, and so the Company has no incentive to improve its efficiency because the public pays its entire fuel bill.

- continued -

The Manager denied that the entire cost of the Company's fuel bill is passed on to consumers. He said that, since 1973, GES has been allowed to pass on to consumers the additional cost of fuel above what was paid at that time. This arrangement, he said, was to overcome the problem of having the Company go to Government for a new tariff rate " which was necessary almost every week" with the rapidly rising cost of fuel after the fuel crisis in 1973.

Mr. George also denied that the Company's efficiency is low. "The optimum from a diesel generator is between 15 and 16 Kilowatt hours (units) for every gallon of fuel burned", he said, " and we are getting 14.77 from our generators which are not new machines".

There are three reasons, why the Company needs a revision of Tariff rates at this time, the Manager said, the first being that every item of goods and services has increased sharply in price and the wage bill has also since the last tariff revision in August 1978. Secondly, major equipment overhauls estimated at EC\$826,000 are required and thirdly, a new generator must be installed in 1981.

Loan

In connection with the last mentioned, Mr. George said GES hopes to raise a loan of EC\$5 million from the Caribbean Development Bank and, on the present tariff, the Company could not service this loan.

Questioned about the Company's profits, Mr. George disclosed that GES made EC\$297,579 after tax in 1979 and shareholders were paid a dividend of 8.5% on their shareholding. The division of shareholding between CDC and the Government of Grenada is respectively 59.3% and 40.7%. He disclosed also that Government's debt to the Company stands at about EC\$ $\frac{1}{2}$ million.

Referring to the recent power outages, the manager said these had^{been} caused by the failure of the sea-water pump used in the power station cooling system. "High tides associated with hurricane "Allen" did serious damage to the pump", he said, " and coupled with this we had mechanical problems which forced us into load-shedding".

Referring to the publications concerning GES which appeared recently in the "Free West Indian", Mr. George said he is "deeply disturbed" that his Company, which now has an entirely local management staff, has been so much under attack. "When I think we should be getting some sort of support", he said, "it appears that everyone is poking at the Company".

The Manager said the "Free West Indian" has made the unfounded charge that GES is operated on the basis of "profits above service to the people", and he thought this unfair to the staff which is extending itself to ensure that the public does get service.

(806 words)

SCIENCE CONFERENCE IN GRENADA

The first ever Grenada conference on science and technology was held at the Grand Anse Convention Centre on August 29th and 30th.

The Conference, which placed emphasis on planned acceleration of scientific and technological development for improving production was opened by Minister of Planning, Bernard Coard.

"This Conference brought together everyone in the fields of natural science, medicine, industry, agricultural science and social science to collectively map out and chart and plan for the development of science and technology in our country", Mr. Coard told NEWSLETTER, "and I think this is critical if we are to move forward and develop our country materially".

The Minister said it is significant that a number of highly qualified Grenadians in the field of science had returned from abroad at their own expense to take part in the conference.

Areas of discussion included microbiology and safeguards in food processing, harnessing of wind energy, biogas technology and marine pollution. There were also discussions on indigenous technology and science at the popular level.

(167 words)

EX DICTATOR VISITS GRENADA

Ex Venezuelan dictator, Marcos Perez Jimenez, 66, paid a brief visit to Grenada recently.

Jimenez, now in exile in Spain, was a passenger on the Italian tourist liner "Eugenio C" which called at Grenada for a one day stay on August 19th. He boarded the boat at Barcelona on August 11th for its Caribbean cruise but, when the ship sailed from Grenada, Jimenez was not on board.

After Grenada, the next port of call for "Eugenio C" was La Guira, Venezuela, and it is believed Jimenez wished to avoid going there.

Jimenez, then a Major in the Venezuelan Army, executed a successful coup in 1948 and ruled as a dictator until 1958 when he was overthrown. Fleeing to the United States, reportedly taking with him US\$200 million, he was extradited in 1963 and, having been found guilty of embezzling Government funds, served 5 years in jail.

In exile since 1968, he was elected to the Venezuelan Senate in 1969 in absentia but the election was annulled, the Courts ruling that he was not a registered voter. His last known visit to Caracas was in 1972 when he announced his intention to contest the forthcoming elections. This generated protest riots in Caracas against him and, he returned to Madrid.

French Passport

The ex dictator travelled on "Eugenio C" under the name of "Marcos Perez" but gave his full name to immigration officials here when he showed his French passport issued to him in Paris in November 1978. Also landing with Jimenez was Fernando Asensio Novoa, 49, who gave his nationality as Spanish and told Immigration Officials he is Jimenez' son-in-law.

Perez gave his permanent address to officials as "Po. Conde Gielenes 84, La Moraleja, Madrid, Spain", and Asensio gave his as "C. Trevino No. 2, Madrid, Spain".

Five other persons with the surname "Jimenez" travelled on the "Eugenio C", two of them carrying the first name "Emilio". One is

- continued -

age 54 and the other 13. The other three are "Oly Beatrix", 16, "Sandra", 11, and Pablo, 63. In addition to Fernando Asensio Novoa, there was on board a nine year old, "Fernando Asensio", whose nationality is Spanish.

Immigration officials here confirm that, after disembarking from "Eugenio C" on August 19th, Jiminez and Asensio flew out to Trinidad on the same day.

(384 words)

CHRISTIAN RESIGNS

Guyanese born Mr. Desmond Christian, Director of Public Prosecutions, resigned with effect from August 31st. Mr. Christian, who took up his post in May 1979 under contract for two years left the island on August 18th.

This is the second appointment Mr. Christian has had with the Government of Grenada. In 1975, he held the post of Attorney General and Director of Public Prosecutions but was deported by the Government of Prime Minister Eric Gairy over a dispute as to whether fugitive from United States justice, Eugene Zeek (alias John Clancy) should be prosecuted.

Mr. Christian has taken up a teaching appointment with the University of the West Indies Hugh Wooding Law School at St. Augustine, Trinidad.

(119 words)

RETAIL PRICE INDEX UP

The interim Retail Price Index published by Government's Central Statistical Office shows an increase in August of 41.7% over the base established in January 1979. The increase in August over the previous month was 5.6%. The August figure represents, says the report, a general price rise of 4.11% since July and 17.79% since January 1980.

- continued -

According to the Statistical Office, the main reason for the overall price rise in July was increases in electricity, sugar, margarine, tomatoes, cabbage, carrots and chairs. These price rises, the report says, were only partially offset by falls in cooking oils, ladies leather shoes and matches.

Other items which showed price increases were men's shoes, "555" cigarettes, "Eno's" Fruit Salts, "Heinekin" Beer, "Dettol" disinfectant, "Limacol" lotion, oranges, bananas and pineapple juice.

Details of the interim Retail Price List published by the Statistical Office on August 29th are as follows:-

	<u>August</u> <u>1980</u>	<u>July</u> <u>1980</u>	<u>January</u> <u>1980</u>	<u>August</u> <u>1979</u>
Food	142.8	134.4	118.5	111.7
Alcohol & Tobacco	131.5	125.2	108.0	100.6
Clothing & Footwear	134.8	137.0	126.5	126.6
Housing	116.0	116.0	105.4	103.2
Fuel & Light	182.9	179.1	143.7	134.0
Furniture & Appliances	105.1	94.2	106.2	100.0
Household Supplies	151.9	152.3	156.0	119.6
Transport etc.	168.2	168.2	134.0	127.4
Miscellaneous	129.0	128.3	108.3	105.1
All items	141.7	136.1	120.3	113.6

January 1979 = 100



EAST CARIBBEAN CURRENCY AUTHORITY

The sum of EC\$106.9 million was in circulation at the end of May, according to the statement of Assets and Liabilities of the East Caribbean Currency Authority (ECCA). Of this, just over EC\$98.9 million was in notes and just over EC\$7.9 million was in coin.

At the end of December 1979, ECCA's internal assets of "Participating Governments' Securities including Treasury Bills" stood at EC\$33.5 million. By 29th February, this figure rose to EC\$35.4

- continued -

million and there was a further rise by EC\$10.9 million to EC\$46.3 million at May 31st.

The following is the ECCA Statement of Assets & Liabilities at May 31st 1980:-

<u>Liabilities</u>	
Notes in Circulation	\$98,978,192
Coin in circulation	7,953,441
Bankers Balances	7,273,955
Unpresented cheques	37,662
International organisations	<u>11,392,381</u>
	125,635,631
Bankers' Reserve	77,604,135
General Reserve	12,302,371
Special Reserve	1,546,560
Other Liabilities	<u>75,600,890</u>
	EC\$292,689,587

<u>Assets</u>	
<u>External Assets</u>	
Fixed Deposits & Money at call	EC\$ 115,231,805
Securities	74,454,649
Regional Currencies	4,770,775
Bankers Balances	<u>3,597,951</u>
	EC\$238,055,180

<u>Internal Assets</u>	
Participating Governments Securities including Treasury Bills	46,301,471
Other Assets	<u>8,332,936</u>
	EC\$292,689,587

CRUISE LINER CALLS

The last statistics given for cruise liner calls were in NEWS-LETTER for the week ending May 5th 1980 and covered calls up to the week ending April 25th 1980.

The following additional statistics are now available:-

			<u>Passengers</u>	<u>Week Ending</u>
April	29th	"Cunard Countess"	758	
	30th	"Sun Princess"	700	
	30th	"Carla C"	628	
			<u>2086</u>	
May	1st	"Britanis"	798	
			<u>2884</u>	3.5.80
May	6th	"Cunard Countess"	582	
	7th	"Sun Princess"	708	
	7th	"Carla C"	823	
			<u>2113</u>	10.5.80
May	12th	"Mikhail Lermontor"	431	
	13th	"Cunard Countess"	632	
	14th	"Carla C"	770	
			<u>1833</u>	17.5.80
May	20th	"Sun Princess"	623	
	21st	"Carla C"	823	
			<u>1446</u>	24.5.80
May	27th	"Cunard Countess"	510	
	28th	"Carla C"	806	
	30th	"Fairwind"	932	
			<u>2248</u>	31.5.80
June	3rd	"Cunard Countess"	538	
	4th	"Carla C"	827	
			<u>1365</u>	7.6.80
June	10th	"Cunard Countess"	732	
	11th	"Carla C"	728	
	13th	"Fairwind"	1029	
			<u>2489</u>	14.6.80
June	17th	"Cunard Countess"	808	
	18th	"Carla C"	795	
			<u>1603</u>	21.6.80
June	24th	"Cunard Countess"	660	
	25th	"Carla C"	623	
	26th	"Fairwind"	1032	
			<u>2315</u>	28.6.80
July	2nd	"Carla C"	641	5.7.80
July	9th	"Carla C"	763	12.7.80
	16th	"Carla C"	774	
	17th	"Fairwind"	1050	
	17th	"Britanis"	823	
			<u>2647</u>	19.7.80
	22nd	"Cunard Countess"	659	
	23rd	"Carla C"	777	
	24th	"Britanis"	1098	
			<u>2534</u>	26.7.80

- continued -

			<u>Passengers</u>	<u>Week Ending</u>
July	29th	"Cunard Countess"	807	
	30th	"Carla C"	856	
	31st	"Britanis"	<u>1098</u>	
			2761	2.8.80
August	5th	"Cunard Countess"	824	
	6th	"Carla C"	761	
	7th	"Fairwind"	1065	
	7th	"Britanis"	<u>851</u>	
			3501	9.8.80
Aug.	12th	"Cunard Countess"	679	
	13th	"Carla C"	803	
	14th	"Britanis"	<u>1037</u>	
			2519	16.8.80
Aug	19th	"Eugenio C"	978	
	19th	"Cunard Countess"	609	
	21st	"Britanis"	<u>932</u>	
			2519	23.8.80

APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER

Mrs. Phyllis Coard has been appointed Secretary for Woman's Affairs in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Social Affairs (Culture & Women's Affairs, Community Development, Cooperatives and Sport). The appointment, dated August 27th, was gazetted on August 29th.

Mrs. Coard, wife of Minister of Finance & Trade, Bernard Coard, was formerly Deputy Secretary in the Department of Information & Culture in the Prime Minister's Ministry.

(65 words)

SECURITY FORCES INTERCEPT AMMUNITION IN MAIL

The Government Information Services report that the Security Forces intercepted a package in the mail containing 12-gauge shotgun cartridges, a sum of Canadian money and a transistor. The report said the package was posted in Canada on March 12th and was addressed to Layne Phillip who is now under arrest charged along with others, with the bomb murder of Lorraine Phillip and Laurice Humphrey on June 19th. The customs declaration on the package said it contained chalk, paper clips, erasers and other school accessories.

(84 words)

Liat Point To Point Passenger Traffic

May 1980

	<u>STT</u>	<u>STX</u>	<u>SXM</u>	<u>SKB</u>	<u>MNI</u>	<u>ANU</u>	<u>PTP</u>	<u>DOM</u>	<u>FDF</u>	<u>SLU</u>	<u>BGI</u>	<u>SVD</u>	<u>GND</u>	<u>POS</u>	<u>Total</u>
St.Thomas	STT	6	117	294	17	264	6	41	6	4	3				758 St.Thomas
St.Croix	STX		107	89	9	148	3	34	1	33	2				426 St.Croix
St.Maarten	SXM	194	142		11	218	1	101	4	21	26				873 St.Maarten
St.Kitts	SKB	209	99	115	26	602	15	9	4	13	33				1125 St.Kitts
Montserrat	MNI	21	10	24	49	1389	9	5	1	12	11				1531 Montserrat
Antigua	ANU	304	152	375	620	1281	382	515	75	207	247	6	68	2	4234 Antigua
Guadeloupe	PTP	6	4	15	43	811		683	28	167	248		18	21	2051 Guadeloupe
Dominica	DOM	54	31	70	21	549	371		187	173	457	5	10	26	1960 Dominica
Martinique	FDF	3		2	4	83	9	179		487	423		7	15	1212 Martinique
St.Lucia	SLU	6	26	26	21	233	77	154	415		1975	7	68	53	3065 St.Lucia
Barbados	BGI	6	16	25	47	340	178	457	417	1797		2194	1550	169	7217 Barbados
St.Vincent	SVD	1			1	13		3	1	55	2531		153	900	3658 St.Vincent
Grenada	GND					12	2	1	9	11	2648	124		1690	4497 Grenada
Trinidad	POS										120	944	1680		2744 Trinidad
		864	486	876	1344	1382	4662	1053	1148	2980	8724	3280	3554	2876	35351

Left hand column represents point of traffic origin; top line represents destination.
 Figures at right represent total traffic originating; figures at foot represent total traffic arriving.

NEWS SHORTSMore Secondary School Scholarships

Five hundred and ten of the 1031 students entering secondary schools this year on the results of the Common Entrance Examination will be given scholarships by the Peoples Revolutionary Government. According to a Government Information Services release, these scholarships are 42% more than those in 1979 and 59% more than those in 1978. Two hundred and sixty-one more students passed the Common Entrance Exam in 1980 than in 1979.

(70 words)

Relations Established With Malawi

Diplomatic relations on a non-residential basis have been established with the Republic of Malawi. The agreement was signed in London by Grenadian High Commissioner Fennis Augustine.

(26 words)

ILO Conference In Grenada

An international labour seminar sponsored jointly by the Caribbean Common Market and the International Labour Organisation will be held in Grenada from September 7th to 20th.

(26 words)

NJM NYO Joins Socialist International

The New Jewel Movement National Youth Organisation (NJM NYO) has become a member of the Youth Section of Socialist International. The New Jewel Movement is already a member of Socialist International.

(31 words)

Sugar Cane Replanting To Prevent Smut

According to the Government Information Services, the Agricultural Department has plans to implement a "massive cane replanting programme" to combat smut disease which was recently discovered in Grenada.

(28 words)



Field Tests on Solar Energy

Grenada has been identified as a Field Testing Site for tests involving the use of solar energy in the drying of cocoa, legumes, coffee, nutmegs and fish. The Government Information Services says the exercise will be carried out with assistance from the University of the West Indies and the Jamaica Bureau of Standards will undertake quality tests on the products.

(60 words)



Tourism Week For October

Tourism Week, scheduled for October will include a book fair on tourism literature, a poster competition and a slide show on Grenada. There will also be a pictorial display by the Grenada Hotel Association which will feature an exhibition of 'scurrilous' articles on Grenada together with complementary letters from visitors to the country at the time the articles were written.

(60 words)



James Replaces Buxo on GSC

Mr. Alva James replaces Miss Palme Buxo, a member of the Peoples Revolutionary Government, as Chairman of Grenada Resorts Corporation, the organisation which manages Government's hotels and other tourism plant. Mr. James is Financial Consultant in the Ministry of Finance. Miss Buxo has been absent from the island for some months and it is reported that she is receiving medical treatment abroad.

(62 words)



Inservice Training Unit Holds Second Workshop

Grenada Inservice Training Unit assisted by the Caribbean Centre for Administration & Development (CARICAD) held a top-management workshop on August 22nd. The workshop was attended by senior officials of the Grenada Government and had as its theme "Modern Management Techniques for Top Managers in the Public Service".

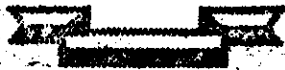
(47 words)



School Leaving Results

One hundred and seventy-two primary and junior secondary school students have passed the 1980 School Leaving Examination. This number represents 21% of the 821 students who sat the examination in May. Requirements for a pass were not less than 40% in English and Mathematics, not less than 34% in each of three optional subjects and an aggregate of not less than 40% of the total marks. In 1979, only 66 students passed the exam from a total of 874.

(79 words)



[Handwritten Signature]
 Alister Hughes
 30th August 1980

