CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT UNIT
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

TO : All CIP Stakeholders

FROM : Sherelyn Hughes Thomas, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

DATE : 26th November, 2026

SUB. : **Revised EU Timeline for Programme Closure**

Antigua and Barbuda is in receipt of correspondence from the European Commission in respect of the continued operation of the Citizenship by Investment Programme.

In response to Prime Minister Gaston Browne's letter of 30th October, 2026, the Commission by letter dated 25th November, 2026 has acknowledged Antigua and Barbuda's decision to transition from the operation of the programme and has confirmed its agreement to the extension of the closure date.

In recognition of the economic and fiscal benefits of the Citizenship by Investment Programme, and cognizant of the challenges associated with its discontinuation, the Commission has advised that it is prepared to revise the timeline under which the country will transition away from the operation of an immigrant investor programme.

As such, the Citizenship by Investment Unit advises that the Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Programme remains open and operational. The Unit will continue to accept new applications until 31st January, 2029 with a revised date for closure on 31st December, 2029.

We will shortly provide further details and guidelines to ensure that you are best able to advise your clients. We assure you of our continuing commitment to the efficacy and integrity of the Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Programme and anticipate your customary support and partnership throughout the transition.

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