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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

NATIONAL CRIME INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ACT, 2019
(NO. 22 OF 2019)

Appointment of Acting Director of National Crime Intelligence

By Her Excellency The Most Honourable Dame Cynthia Alexandria Pratt, Order of the Nation, Dame Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

TO: MR. MARIO JOHNSON

WHEREAS section 4 of the National Crime Intelligence Agency Act, 2019 *(No. 22 of 2019)* ("the Act") provides that there is hereby established a body to be known as the National Crime Intelligence Agency and that the Agency shall be under the control of the Director;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 2(1) of the Second Schedule to the Act provides that the Governor-General may appoint a person to act as Director:

(a) during a vacancy in the office of Director; or

(b) during any period, or during all periods, when the Director is absent from duty or from The Bahamas or is, for any reason, unable to perform the functions of his office,

but a person appointed to act during a vacancy shall not continue to act for more than twelve months;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 2(2) of the Second Schedule to the Act further provides that before a recommendation is made to the Governor-General for the appointment of a person under subparagraph (1) to act as Director, the Prime Minister shall consult in the manner mentioned in section 7(2);

AND WHEREAS section 7(2) of the Act provides that the Prime Minister shall, prior to advising the Governor-General as to whom may be appointed, consult with the Leader of the Opposition;

AND WHEREAS MR. ANTHONY FERGUSON, the Director of National Crime Intelligence, is unable to perform the functions of his office due to his absence on casual leave from the 19th day of February, 2026 to the 20th day of February, 2026, both days inclusive:

NOW THEREFORE in exercise of the powers vested in me as hereinbefore recited and of all other powers thereunto me enabling, **I DO HEREBY,** appoint you, **MR. MARIO JOHNSON**, to act as Director of

National Crime Intelligence from the 19th day of February, 2026 to the 20th day of February, 2026, both days inclusive.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas at Government House in the City of Nassau this 24th day of March, 2026 and in the Fourth year of His Majesty's Reign.

Signed
CYNTHIA A. PRATT
Governor-General