



NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS – POST MEETING
SUMMARY

Her Excellency the Governor Mrs. Jane Owen chaired the meeting of the National Security Council held on Friday, 7th November 2025 in the Cabinet Conference Room, Government Administration Building.

All Members of the National Security Council were present.

At this meeting:

- Her Excellency welcomed all to first meeting of NSC, copies of the Terms of Reference setting out the functions of the Council were circulated. Noted that the work and advice of the Council and its ability to provide strategic direction on security matters are fundamental to the security, economic stability and future prosperity of the Cayman Islands.
- Commissioner of Police briefed Council on recorded crimes for 2025 as of 31st October 2025; RCIPS looking at technology to assist with covering traffic offenses such as speeding and expired licenses; and provided an update in relation to recruitment.
- Director of Prisons briefed Council on the current situation at HMS Northward and capacity risks and mitigation measures.
- Director of Customs and Border Control briefed Council on illicit trade and smuggling of illegal goods, illegal migration, establishment of an intelligence directorate and training of personnel.
- Commander of the Cayman Islands Coast Guard briefed Council on protection of the maritime highway of both legal and illegal traffic, maritime domain awareness, required resources and future plans in relation to radar and vessels.
- Chief Information Security Officer briefed Council on the global, regional and local threats in relation to cybercrimes and the priorities of the Cyber Security Unit.
- Council advised approval for the extension of contracts for the RCIPS based on recommendations from the Police Service Commission.

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Guidance Notes:

1. *The National Security Council is established under section 58 of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order (as amended).*
2. *NSC Members are as follows: Her Excellency the Governor Mrs. Jane Owen (Chair); Hon. André Ebanks, Premier; Hon. Nickolas DaCosta, Minister; Hon. Isaac Rankine, Minister; Hon. Franz Manderson, Deputy Governor; Hon. Samuel Bulgin, KC, Attorney General; Hon. Joseph Hew, Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Kurt Walton, Commissioner of Police; Ms. Deborah Ebanks, civil society representative; and Mr. Alva Suckoo, civil society representative.*

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