US Chargé Designate Discusses Matters of Mutual Interest to Grenada and USA



WASHINGTON, DC, September 11, 2012 – The fairer treatment of Grenadians, who are residing in the United States, when arrested on alleged illegal acts was among matters of mutual interest discussed recently between representatives of Grenada and the United States.

The discussions were held with Chargé Designate to Grenada, Lou Crishock, during a courtesy call on the Ambassador of Grenada to the USA, Gillian Bristol, in preparation for his assumption of duties in Grenada in October 2012.

The two officials also discussed other immigration issues including deportees and a previous invitation to the State Department to partner with the Embassy in its initiative to launch a seminar series "Citizenship Made Easy".

"I had shared this idea with the new Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Ambassador Liliana Ayalde and the new Director for Caribbean Affairs at a meeting with Caucus of CARICOM Ambassadors in Washington, DC last Friday," said Ambassador Bristol.

The Seminar series is aimed at Grenadians residing in the USA to learn about benefits of becoming a US citizen and de-mystifying the process, according to Ambassador Bristol.

The Grenadian diplomat also expressed her island's appreciation for the USA's cooperation with Grenada over the years, while Mr Crishock underscored the importance of fostering those excellent relations.

Mr Crishock has been a Foreign Service Officer for more than 13 years and served in a variety of positions including as a reporting officer covering political, economic and commercial developments in Ukraine, Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, and as Chief of the Political and Economic Section in Belarus and Kosovo.

He is currently serving as Acting Eurasia Division Director in the Office of the Coordinator of U.S. Assistance to Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia.

Mr Crishock will replace Chargé d'Affaires Bernard Link.

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