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## **STATEMENT**

### **THE SOUTH COAST SEWAGE CRISIS!**

Barbadians have given the Democratic Labour Party Administration the benefit of the doubt since the inception of the South Coast sewage issues that every effort was diligently exhausted to ensure that this problem would have been quickly rectified.

It is apparent that this problem has now escalated to reach CRISIS level which is unprecedented in the 50 plus years we have been an independent nation.

Our gravest concern as citizens is the safety of our families, those living and working in such putrid conditions! What about our visitors to this sacred rock? How do we address the very fact that some of them are first time arrivals on this island having invested their hard-earned money to come to a destination for a holiday retreat?

Is the DLP administration aware that we are now in the era of social media a medium if used effectively will bring our plight to the entire world within hours?

Furthermore, it is truly unfortunate that this crisis has now escalated to catastrophic proportions whereas the Canadian government has issued a safety advisory to its nationals cautioning against travels to Barbados citing that our country is currently suffering a looming health crisis relative to raw sewage being exposed throughout our south coast and on the streets.

The Barbados Integrity Movement sees this as an indictment against the management of our country whereas the DLP administration has not only allowed our citizens to be at risk but have also exposed our visitors to such threats.



The DLP administration's inability to resolve such a crisis as the leakage of sewage into our streets and onto the properties of our residents and business places has now also placed every Barbadian and visitor at risk of an epidemic being formed as a result.

While we would all wish for a speedy resolve to this crisis, one has to be mindful that the DLP administration has dropped the ball once again! This administration has also failed to communicate with the good citizens of Barbados as to what measures are being taken to address this crisis and protect us from any looming epidemic.

Such inaction and failure to address this crisis renders the DLP government to be useless in protecting its citizens and visitors alike. As a matter of fact, an ailing economy cannot sustain the loss of its major income earner (Tourism) given that the country has suffered 22 downgrades over the tenure of the same DLP administration being in office.

We join every Barbadian and those repeat visitors to our shores whom have condemned the state of affairs as it is for our country given this very dark moment in our nationhood. Our beloved Barbados appears to be abandoned while the DLP administration is exploring every effort to be re-elected by way of feting our citizens through a plethora of free entertainment so as to hoodwink them into thinking that all is well!

### **IT IS NOT WELL!**

The nation needs to be addressed **IMMEDIATELY** to bring us up to date on what measures are being taken to solve this crisis with utmost diligence. Any failure to get a response from the DLP administration within the next 24 hours will indicate to us as citizens that we may be required to take drastic measures to ensure that we are never again smitten by the incompetence and disrespect of another DLP administration in the future of our beloved country.

Respectfully

**THE BARBADOS INTEGRITY MOVEMENT**