

BELIZE:

**BELIZEAN NATIONALITY (APPOINTMENT OF NATIONALITY
SCRUTINIZING COMMITTEE) ORDER, 2025**

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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 22 of 2025

ORDER made by the Minister responsible for citizenship in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 17A of the Belizean Nationality Act, Chapter 161 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 8th February, 2025)

1. This Order may be cited as the

Citation.

BELIZEAN NATIONALITY (APPOINTMENT OF NATIONALITY SCRUTINIZING COMMITTEE) ORDER, 2025.

2. I, HON. JOHN BRICEÑO, Minister responsible for citizenship, do hereby appoint the following persons as members of the Nationality Scrutinizing Committee–

Appointment of Nationality Scrutinizing Committee.

- (a) for the period 29th December 2018 to 28th December 2019–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;

(ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;

(iii) Mr. Herman Pastor Jr., representative of employees;

(iv) Mr. Edmund Zuniga, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;

- (v) Ms. Judith Alpuche, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Ret'd Col. George Lovell, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Mr. Ravell Gonzalez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mr. Mario Arzu, Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (b) for the period 29th December 2019 to 28th December 2020–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Herman Pastor Jr., representative of employees;
 - (iv) Ms. Ann Castillo, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Judith Alpuche, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Ret'd Col. George Lovell, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;

- (vii) Mr. Leonia Duncan, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mr. Mario Arzu, Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (c) for the period 29th December 2020 to 28th December 2021–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Herman Pastor Jr., representative of employees;
 - (iv) Ms. Ann Castillo, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Judith Alpuche, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Ret'd Col. George Lovell, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Leonia Duncan, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mr. Mario Arzu, Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;

- (d) for the period 29th December 2021 to 28th October 2022–
 - (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias representative of employees;
 - (iv) Mr. Gilroy Middleton, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Brig. Gen. (Ret'd) Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Leonia Duncan, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mr. Mario Arzu, Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (e) for the period 29th October 2022 to 28th December 2022–
 - (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;

- (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias representative of employees;
 - (iv) Mr. Gilroy Middleton, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Brig. Gen. (Ret'd) Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Stacy Martinez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mr. Mario Arzu, Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (f) for the period 29th December 2022 to 28th March 2023–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias., representative of employees;

- (iv) Mr. Gilroy Middleton, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Brig. Gen (Ret'd) Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Stacy Martinez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Mrs. Candra Coleman- Wade, Acting Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (g) for the period 29th March 2023 to 28th April 2023–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias, representative of employees;
 - (iv) Mr. Gilroy Middleton, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;

- (vi) Ret'd Brig. Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Stacy Martinez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Ms. Kimberly Timmons, Assistant Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*;
- (h) for the period 1st May 2023 to 28th December 2024–
- (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias, representative of employees;
 - (iv) Mr. Gilroy Middleton, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Ms. Tanya Santos/ Mr. Marconi Leal Jr., Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Ret'd Brig. Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Stacy Martinez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and

- (viii) Ms. Dayna Blades Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*; and
- (i) for the period 29th December 2024 to 28th December 2025–
 - (i) Mr. Ronald Stuart, representative of the religious community;
 - (ii) Mr. Arturo Vasquez, representative of the business community;
 - (iii) Mr. Antonio Elias, representative of employees;
 - (iv) Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Immigration, *ex officio*;
 - (v) Mrs. Adele Catzim-Sanchez. Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for Human Development, *ex officio*;
 - (vi) Ret'd Brig. Dario Tapia, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry responsible for National Security, *ex officio*;
 - (vii) Ms. Stacy Martinez, representative of the Attorney General's Ministry; and
 - (viii) Ms. Dayna Blades Director of Immigration and Nationality Services, *ex officio*.

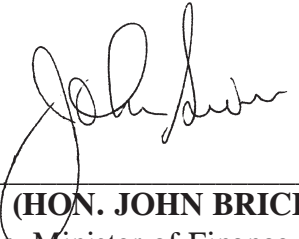
Chairperson.

3. It is hereby declared that the Nationality Scrutinizing Committee shall elect a chairperson from among the members of the Nationality Scrutinizing Committee.

4. It is hereby further declared that the Nationality Scrutinizing Committee shall establish its procedure in meetings.

Procedure in meetings.

MADE by the Minister responsible for immigration this 3rd day of February, 2025.



(HON. JOHN BRICEÑO)

Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Investment, Civil Aviation and Immigration
(Minister responsible for citizenship)