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February 6, 2023

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***RE: Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance – February 21, 2023***

Dear Members of the Executive Branch Financial Team:

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance has rescheduled its in-person February 10, 2023 meeting to **Tuesday, February 21, 2023** at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Chambers due to unavailability of key members of the financial team.

Notice is hereby given to you as members of the financial team to provide testimony on the following:

- Tax collections and refunds;



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- real property tax collections and assessments;
- expenditures;
- filling of central government vacancies;
- contract negotiations to include completed, scheduled and pending negotiations;
- impact of the reduced rum cover over rate; and
- status of COVID-19/ARPA funding received to include expenditures awarded to the V.I. Water and Power Authority and the FY 2023 commitment.

Also include challenges, if any, you are experiencing in meeting the FY 2023 budget projections.

Submit your written testimony via email to [senatorfrett-gregory@legvi.org](mailto:senatorfrett-gregory@legvi.org) by close of business on Friday, February 17, 2023. We look forward to a robust discussion on the Government's financial position. Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact my Legislative Director, Ms. Jamila Russell at (340) 227-2348.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Gregory", is positioned above the typed name.

Donna A. Frett-Gregory, Chair  
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cc: Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance Members  
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