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RE: Committee on Homeland Security, Justice & Public Safety Hearing

Dear Senator Gittens,

Thank you for your invitation to appear at the Committee on Homeland Security, Justice & Public Safety hearing scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at the Cleone Creque Legislative Conference Room on St. John. I have been asked to provide testimony on:

- Amendment 35-511 (Bill 35-0086) relating to an Act amending title 3, V.I.C., Ch. 1, Sect. 10h to require background checks for all IT personnel and employees of the BIT, agencies that have data centers, and any employee who handles confidential information
- a status update on our facilities and services as they relate to public safety and security on the island of St. John

My Executive Team and I are unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict with BIT's Internet for All: USVI Local Coordination Workshop. Kindly utilize our previous testimony regarding the measure.

Regards,

Ray A. Martinez
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pc: Mario M. Brooks, Assistant Police Commissioner – St. Thomas-St. John District
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