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GRENADA

ACT NO. 10 OF 2017

I assent,



CÉCILE E. F. LA GRENADE

*Governor-General.**14th July, 2017.*

AN ACT to provide for incentives for investment in oil and gas exploration in the State of Grenada..

[21st July, 2107].

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives and by the authority of the same as follows—

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the

Short title.

HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION INCENTIVES ACT,
2017.

2. In this Act—

Interpretation.

“hydrocarbon exploration investment” means any business activity surrounding or involving exploration and scientific research to determine—

- (a) the existence of a natural deposit of crude oil or natural gas in the State of Grenada; or
- (b) the quality, quantity or composition of crude oil or natural gas extracted from a natural deposit in the State of Grenada,

and excludes an investment that generates any profit from a transaction involving crude oil or natural gas, or any product of crude oil or natural gas, extracted from the State of Grenada;

“qualifying investment” means a hydrocarbon exploration investment exceeding \$50 million Eastern Caribbean Currency.

Customs Duties exemptions.

3. For the purposes of the Customs Act, 2015, there shall be a 100% waiver on customs duties on the following items—

- (a) machinery and equipment;
- (b) spare parts machinery and equipment;
- (c) a maximum of six motor vehicles;
- (d) networking elements and computer hardware and software;
- (e) building materials and infrastructure materials,

for the purposes of a qualifying investment.

Income Tax Incentives.

4. The Income Tax Act, Chapter 149 shall not apply in respect of any income accrued by a non-resident individual in respect of services rendered for the purposes of a qualifying investment.

5. For the purposes of the Value Added Tax Act, Chapter 333A, services rendered by a non-resident individual for the purposes of a qualifying investment shall be zero-rated. Value Added Tax incentives.

6. For the avoidance of doubt, there is no obligation under the National Insurance Act, Chapter 205 in respect of an employee who renders services for the purposes of a qualifying investment if the employee is neither resident nor domicile in Grenada for the purposes of the National Insurance Act, Chapter 205. No obligation under the National Insurance Act.

Passed by the House of Representatives this 8th day of June, 2017.

WILLAN A. THOMPSON
Clerk to the House of Representatives.

Passed by the Senate this 27th day of June, 2017.

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