

The White House
July 6, 2022

Your Excellency:

On behalf of the American People, I congratulate the people of The Bahamas as you celebrate your National Day on July 10.

The United States and The Bahamas have long enjoyed a warm and sincere partnership that has proven beneficial for both nations. The United States is committed to maintaining and strengthening that relationship. Our two nations face challenging times as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic as well as address food and energy insecurity. We are also called upon to jointly defend an international order increasingly under threat. During this period, we welcome our partnership with The Bahamas given our shared values. We work together closely to promote regional security and to further human rights and democratic norms.

The United States looks forward to continuing that collaboration in addition to promoting mutual economic prosperity, climate adaptation and resilience, and a transition to a clean energy future. The people of The Bahamas should also know that Americans appreciate the people-to-people ties that have been a hallmark of our special relationship. The contributions of Bahamian Americans in entertainment, business, academia, sports, and politics bind our two countries.

Please accept my fondest wishes to you and the people of The Bahamas on this 49th anniversary of Bahamian independence.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

His Excellency The Most Honorable Sir Cornelius A. Smith, O.N., G.C.M.G.
Governor-General
The Commonwealth of The Bahamas
Nassau, The Bahamas



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Your Excellency

I am pleased to convey to Your Excellency and the people of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, warm, friendly greetings and congratulations from the people of Barbados on your Anniversary of Independence.

I assure Your Excellency of my highest consideration and best wishes to you and the people of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. A. Smith'.

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