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## PRESS RELEASE

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THE VALLEY – Anguilla is expected to undertake the enumeration phase of the Anguilla Population and Housing (AP&H) Census 2022 in June 2022. **Census Day in Anguilla is Wednesday, June 15, 2022.** As we prepare to enter the field, we have attempted to provide some responses to questions we think may be unclear.

### **A Census also includes**

Questions on persons as well as questions on the households and houses that they live in. The questions on housing will tell us about conditions, facilities like water and electricity, and some derived variables such as overcrowding among other areas.

### **Anguilla's Population Census plan**

Will be to count the country's population and record certain characteristics, at a specific point in time. This requires several distinct operations to be completed before a picture of the population can be prepared and presented.

In the first place, plans must be drawn up outlining what information is to be collected, how it is to be recorded and how the findings are to be presented. After these have been settled, the next step is to organize the collection of the data in the field under careful supervision.

For the purpose of the AP&H Census Anguilla is divided into small areas called *Enumeration Districts* (EDs) and a field officer - enumerator is assigned to each. The field officer - enumerator is thoroughly trained to ensure that he/she fully understands what questions are to be asked and how to record the answers quickly and correctly within the electronic questionnaires. Within three days after Census Day, preliminary enumeration ends. During this period, the field officer - enumerator will visit all buildings in his/her assigned ED and record information in the Visitation Record. The actual enumeration; collection of information on questionnaires begins thereafter, when all field officers - enumerators will re-visit every dwelling unit in all buildings and record the information as required in the questionnaires. Therefore, if the quality of enumeration is good, the final tables that will be published will also be of good quality and usable for policy formation.

A field officer - supervisor is placed in charge of a number of field officers - enumerators to monitor their work and to attend to any challenges which may arise while undertaking the fieldwork. He/she also acts as a link between the field officers - enumerators and the Census Office.

At the Census Office – Anguilla Statistics Department, the completed questionnaires are checked, coded where necessary, and made ready for processing to provide statistical tables for publication.

More information on the Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 can be obtained by contacting the Anguilla Statistics Department on 497-5731.

**“The Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 – It All Adds Up”**

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