



PRESS RELEASE

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THE VALLEY – The CARICOM Secretariat in association with Caribbean States will hold a **live** regional radio discussion on the 2020 round of Population and Housing Censuses which are underway in the Caribbean.

We are extending an invitation to all to join us on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 10:30 AM on the Government of Anguilla's facebook page or tune in to Radio Anguilla for an interactive hour of discussion, hosted by veteran radio journalist and broadcaster Mr. Keith 'Stone' Greaves.

The event will feature representatives from the CARICOM Secretariat, Directors of Statistics and Chief Statisticians from Belize, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Aruba, St. Kitts & Nevis and host country Anguilla, along with other officials and international development partners.

The 2020 World Population and Housing Census Programme was approved by the United Nations *Statistical Commission at its 46th Session* and adopted by the *United Nations Economic and Social Council in resolution E/RES/2015/10*. Countries conduct at least one population and housing census during the period 2015 to 2024. The 2020 Round therefore covers these years.

Traditionally for the Round of Census countries of the region will undertake the field enumeration in the years ending with 0, 1 and 2. For CARICOM countries, the intended years were 2020-2022 but due to the COVID-19, countries now intend to conduct their Census during 2021 and 2022.

A Population and Housing Census is not just the canvassing of the household every ten (10) years to obtain pertinent information. It provides a country profile of a country which underscores evidence based decision making at all levels and is crucial for monitoring national, regional and international monitoring goals; including the Sustainable Development Goals.

Anguilla is preparing to commence the data collection for the Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022. Wednesday, June 15, 2022 is set as Census day in Anguilla. The magnitude of the work to be undertaken in conducting a census exercise is usually and or probably not well understood and as such this interactive hour of discussion provides an opportunity for listeners to hear the work being done in the countries to ensure that the exercise is completed up to international standards.

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

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