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Mr James Austin-Smith Chairman Human Rights Commission PO Box 391 Grand Cayman KY1-1106 Cayman Islands

Via email: <u>Debbie.Bodden@gov.ky</u>

Dear Mr Austin-Smith,

RE: Update on new Police Custody Cells

I write in reference to your correspondence of May 15 2015 and April 9 2015.

I extend my apologies for the delay in responding to you as I hoped to be in a position to have replied within a few weeks of your April 9 2015 letter, to advise that the new RCIPS custody suites were fully operational.

What should have been a rapid deployment project, has been languishing and is still pending completion over a year since the units arrived on island. The local contractor and project management along with local plan resubmissions have greatly delayed this project.

I was advised by the Director and Project Manager at PWD that the external works are essentially complete with permanent power connection expected this week and the final inspection by the Planning Department for the week of May 18-29, 2015. The final Certificate of Occupancy is expected for May 29, 2015. Attached is a copy of the current project update as *Appendix 1*.

While I remain frustrated that the building is not yet operational and despite being essentially complete, I am happy to share the latest major developments. Full power was connected last week, and the electronic communications on electronic door locks, security system and fire control panels are being installed this week with an expected hand over next week.

On May 22, 2015, Her Excellency the Governor, the Police Commissioner, other stake holders from Public Works, Planning, the RCIPS, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Planning met onsite to review the progress and to press for completion. A few amendments were requested during the visit but it is not envisioned that those will delay the opening. Please find *Appendix 2* as to the progress to date.

I am also pleased to share that the cells were designed and constructed in keeping with the UK human rights and detainee safety guidelines. With the help of the Public Works Department, Planning Department and the sub-contractors, I look forward to in the near future to advise the HRC that the units are indeed operational.

In the meantime, I would invite the HRC along with the Ministry of Home Affairs to schedule an onsite visit at a suitable date and time for everyone.

Kind regards,

Eric Bush Chief Officer

CC: Chief Officer, Ministry of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing & Infrastructure

Commissioner of Police

Director, Public Works Department
Director, Planning Department

Deputy Chief Officer, Public Safety and Security (Ministry of Home Affairs)

Appendix 1: Project Manager Weekly update – Fairbanks (RCIPS) Police Custody Suites

Appendix 2: Photo update, progress as of 26th May 2015



Project Manager Weekly Update Public Works Department Cayman Islands Government

Date:

8 May, 2015

Contractors: Eagle / Wendel Construction (Pods)

Project:

Fairbanks Custody Suites

Edgewater Development (Foundations)

AAA Construction (Fire pump/Elect.

Bldg.)

Advanced Fire & Plumbing (Site Plumb.)

GE Electrical (Site Elect.)

Cayman Cistern Cleaning (Cisterns)
Wendel Construction (Security Fencing)

Outstanding Works/Items	Ву	Status	Installation Start	Installation Completion	Inspection Date
Electrical (Exterior)	GE Electrical	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Electrical (Interconnect Work)	Eagle/Wendel	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
Electrical Connection	CUC	Application submitted March 26	May 13	May 15	N/A
Electronics Commissioning	Eagle/Thompson	Pending Final Connection by CUC	May 18	May 22	N/A
Security Fencing	Wendel	In Progress	In Progress	May 15	N/A
Railings	Maintenance Plus	Complete	March 30	Complete	May 18
Final Inspections	BCU	Pending	N/A	N/A	May 18-22
Post Inspection Corrections (If required)	All	Pending	N/A	N/A	May 25-29
Certificate of Occupancy	BCU	Pending	N/A	N/A	May 29



Security Fence installation in progress - Monday May 4



Security Fence installation in progress - Monday May 4



Security Fence installation in progress - Friday May 8



Security Fence installation in progress - Friday May 8



Security Fence installation in progress – Friday May 8



Security Camera installation in progress - Friday May 8

PROJECT MANAGER/ OBSERVER SIGNATURE



ANSON M. STUART, PMP, LEED GA, M.ARCH, ICC (B-2)



Exterior front entrance



Standby Generator



Fire Pump house





Security and Door Control Panels

toilet and sink

In Cell



Bunk Bed & Natural Light

Exterior of Cell Block 1



Electrical Mains Connected

