

Jeanette Boynes is Acting Director of the Social Security Board (BVI)

Wednesday, January 6, 2021 - Upon recommendation by the Board of Directors of the Social Security Board (BVI) and approval by Cabinet, Mrs. Jeanette Scatliffe Boynes was appointed to the position of Acting Director, effective January 1, 2021.

The new Acting Director's appointment has been approved for a period of one (1) year, six (6) months in the first instance, until the position of Director has been filled permanently. SSB Director, Mrs. Antoinette Skelton, preceded on pre-retirement leave effective December 31, 2020.

Mrs. Scatliffe Boynes assumed the role of Acting Director, after serving the organization for almost 30 years as Deputy Director. During her tenure, Mrs. Scatliffe Boynes functioned in numerous positions and managed a diverse portfolio in the organization; including Benefits and Contributions, Public Relations and Human Resources. She also served as Board Secretary.

The Acting Director has made presentations on behalf of the Board, locally, regionally, and internationally. Mrs. Scatliffe Boynes is a Vice President of the Inter American Conference on Social Security (CAOSA) representing Sub-Region IV (Caribbean and Americas Social Security organizations).

Mrs. Scatliffe Boynes holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, a Master's Degree in Business Administration (with Honors) and has acquired extensive credits in doctoral studies focusing on organizational management.

When asked about her recent appointment, Mrs. Scatliffe Boynes said, "I am humbled and excited about this opportunity to lead the Social Security organization. I look forward to building on Mrs. Skelton's legacy and to leading the organization to even higher levels of achievement as we go forward".

Mrs. Antoinette Skelton joined the Social Security Board in 1982 as Deputy Director and was appointed to the post of Director in 1990. For almost four decades, Mrs. Skelton provided invaluable leadership to the growth of the organization including the implementation of employment injury benefits, coverage of the self-employed, national health insurance and the substantial growth of the funds.

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Her knowledge and skills were utilized by many Boards, locally, regionally, and internationally. Her stalwart and long service is also noted as the first woman to represent the English-Speaking Social Security Organizations in the Caribbean on the Bureau of the International Social Security Association (ISSA).

The Social Security Board was established by an Act of the Legislative Council, No. 17 of 1979. It came into effect on July 2, 1980. Social Security is a compulsory insurance plan to which employers, employees, self-employed and voluntary contributors contribute. Social Security is designed to protect insured persons from financial distress by providing partial income replacement when certain contingencies arise.

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Notes to Editor(s): Photograph is attached.

