

## **WHAT OUR HIGH COMMISSION CAN DO FOR YOU**

### **The High Commission can:**

- Issue emergency travel documents (ECs) for urgent travel to and from Jamaica, but you will need evidence to present to the British immigration authorities of your right to remain in the UK to come back into the country;
- Notarize/Authenticate and legalise documents for use in Jamaica;
- Process passport and citizenship applications for onward transmission to the Passport, Immigration and Citizenship Agency (PICA) in Jamaica, which is the final authority on passport and citizenship matters;
- Process and issue visas for foreigners within our jurisdiction wishing to visit Jamaica;
- Advise on which is the relevant authority in Jamaica to contact regarding birth, marriage or death registration matters; and
- Provide information about the regulatory requirements for Returning Residents.

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## **WHAT OUR HIGH COMMISSION CANNOT DO FOR YOU**

We do our best to help Jamaican nationals, however:

- we cannot get you out of prison, prevent the local authorities from deporting you after your prison sentence, or interfere in criminal or civil court proceedings
- we cannot intervene in another country's immigration policy or procedures to ensure your visa application is approved or to have your application reviewed if your visa request has been rejected;
- we cannot give you legal advice, provide legal representation, investigate crimes or directly carry out searches for missing people. Where possible, we will refer you to the appropriate local authority or to the Agencies in Jamaica which may be able to assist you;
- we cannot get you better treatment in hospital or prison than is given to local people;
- we cannot purchase airline tickets for you to return to Jamaica and/or stand the cost of repatriating the remains of and/or burying loved ones;



- we cannot pay bills or find you work or accommodation;
- we cannot make business arrangements on your behalf or provide financial assistance for you to open or operate a business here in the UK, in Jamaica or in any of the countries to which the High Commission is accredited i.e. Finland, Ireland, Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Cyprus;
- we cannot stand surety for you to secure loans for business, education or private purposes, or provide financial support for any related undertaking;
- we cannot help you get leave to remain in the United Kingdom or endorse your leave to remain in a new or replacement passport; and
- we cannot finance business ventures and can only provide endorsements of certain projects which would have to be discussed in detail and comply with certain criteria.

