Public Apology

Statement of Ambassador Daven Joseph Regarding defamatory comments about Martha Watkins Gilkes for Publication

On the 27th September, 2024, at 11:01am, I posted a comment on an article published on the Antigua Newsroom Facebook page, the headline for which article was "Local groups celebrate withdrawal of Antigua's bid to resume commercial whaling".

In my comment I included a statement about Mrs. Martha Watkins-Gilkes.

I have had the opportunity to reflect on the impact that my statement may have had on Mrs. Watkins-Gilkes. Upon reflection I have thought it proper that I apologise to Mrs. Watkins-Gilkes.

I take this opportunity to apologize to Mrs Watkins-Gilkes and to express my regret for what I said. I withdraw my statement in its entirety. I undertake to refrain from publishing or causing to be published the words complained of or any other words to similar effect.

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