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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY COMMISSION CELEBRATES 10 YEARS**

**Monday, April 24** – The Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (TRC) commenced its 10th Anniversary celebrations on Sunday, April 23, under the theme “A Stellar Past; A Committed Future”

This milestone was commemorated with a church service at the St. Georges Anglican Church in Road Town and will be celebrated internally for the week. The week of activities includes a recognition dinner for members of staff who have celebrated the milestone.

Chairman of the Commission, Mr. C. Michael Thomas stated that he is indeed pleased to congratulate the Telecommunication Regulatory Commission on celebrating 10 years of regulating the telecoms industry in the British Virgin Islands. He further stated that he is honoured to have been the Chairman during the time when the new spectrum was issued which took much effort on the part of the staff here at the TRC and the service providers. He noted that the spectrum issuance was very important and its benefits will be seen within the next few months as the service providers roll out their networks.

Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Guy L. Malone said on April 23, 2007 the Commission was staffed after becoming a statutory body under the umbrella of the Ministry of Communications and Works. Prior, to the existence of the TRC, the functions of telecommunications were held under the Ministry of Communications and Works in the Telecommunications Unit.

Mr. Malone added, The Commission continues to be guided by the Telecommunications Act, 2006 while promoting their:

- Motto - Working to advance consumer choice & quality of service;
- Mission - To enable and facilitate the availability of adequate; telecommunications infrastructure and services with the view to ensuring the long term benefit to residents and businesses in the Virgin Islands

- Vision - To become the Best Telecommunications infrastructure and services in the region in terms of innovation, quality, choice and competitive pricing.

The TRC is governed by a Board of Commissioners and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) where the CEO is responsible for the day-to-day management, administration and operation of the Commission and the supervision of the staff.

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#### **NOTES TO EDITORS:**

Pictures:

- TRC Staff outside of the St. Georges Church in Road Town

