



**STATEMENT BY
THE HON. I. CHESTER COOPER, M.P.
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
MINISTER OF TOURISM, INVESTMENTS & AVIATION
AND MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR THE EXUMAS AND RAGGED ISLAND
ON BILLY MCFARLAND**

Nassau (14 November 2022)

The public is advised that no application has been made to the Government of The Bahamas for consideration of any event promoted by Billy McFarland or any entity or parties known to be associated with him. McFarland was the organizer of the Fyre Festival several years ago, a notorious charade for which McFarland was convicted and sent to prison in the USA.

The Government of The Bahamas will not endorse or approve any event in The Bahamas associated with him.

He is considered to be a fugitive, with several pending complaints made against him with the Royal Bahamas Police Force (RBPF).

Anyone knowing of his whereabouts should report same to the RBPF.

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