



GOVERNMENT OF THE BAHAMAS

Statement

**On the signing of a Tax Information Exchange Agreement
between The Bahamas and the Kingdom of the Netherlands**

Honourable T. Brent Symonette
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs
4th December 2009

It gives the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas great pleasure to execute this Agreement for the Exchange of Information on Tax Matters with the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

This Agreement is the eighth Tax Information Exchange Agreement concluded by the Government of The Bahamas; the fourth with a member of the OECD. The conclusion of these and other negotiations for Tax Information Exchange Agreements by The Bahamas affirm the Government's commitment to implement the accepted international standards for transparency and information exchange in tax matters.

As The Bahamas and the Kingdom of the Netherlands adjust to the ever-changing global financial and economic landscape, The Bahamas looks forward to cooperation between our two countries in this and other areas.