

STATEMENT

For Immediate Release

Joseph M. Matalon appointed Chairman of RJRGLEANER Group

Kingston. April 8, 2019. The Board of Directors of Radio Jamaica Limited, the parent company in the **RJRGLEANER Communications Group** announces the appointment of **Joseph M. Matalon** as Chairman to replace **Hon. Oliver F. Clarke, O.J.** who has given notice he will demit office on April 30, 2019.

Mr. Matalon who has served as a director of Radio Jamaica since the amalgamation of Radio Jamaica and The Gleaner Company (Media) Limited in 2016, has been a director of The Gleaner Company Limited (now trading as 1834 Investments Limited) since 1987. Mr. Clarke will continue to serve as a director.

The **RJRGLEANER Communications Group** also announces the following changes aimed at accelerating its strategic growth and expansion initiatives.

Chief Executive Officer, Gary Allen announces that Chief Operating Officer of the Group **Christopher Barnes** is to focus primarily on the portfolio of strategic projects and initiatives to be vigorously pursued as the Group moves to diversify its media and communications business. Mr. Barnes will remain Managing Director of GCML, while **Garfield Grandison**, who has returned from a leave of absence, will manage the day to day activities of that business as General Manager (Acting).

The Group also announces that it is merging the management of its Radio and Television services, into a single broadcast division and **Mrs. Claire Grant** will be General Manager of Radio and Television Jamaica. **Ms. Natonia Sylva** has been appointed **Deputy General Manager – Marketing and Sales** for the broadcast operations. Ms. Roxanne Walters who served as Marketing and Sales Manager – Radio will continue in the division.

Dr. Dennis Howard who served as General Manager, Radio for the past two years will relinquish the role following the completion of wide-ranging restructuring activities in the radio division and will resume his position as a director of Independent Radio Company.

Mr. Michael Henlin, who for the past year has been consulting on a number of technology and engineering matters has been appointed Chief Technology Officer.

“We have spent a lot of time addressing the matters of amalgamation, we must now accelerate our growth and diversification activities which we are confident that these change will support”, the statement said.

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