



# Construction of Park Hyatt St. Kitts in 2013 will provide many sustainable jobs says PM Douglas following design briefing

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, DECEMBER 18TH 2012 (CUOPM) – St. Kitts and Nevis’ Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas says the soon to be constructed multi-million dollar Park Hyatt St. Kitts will provide many sustainable jobs for the people of the twin-island federation.

“I am pleased with the briefing that I received this evening in relation to the work that has been achieved to date and job creation is a high priority for my Government. This development will provide many sustainable jobs during and after construction,” said Dr. Douglas, after he and Minister of Tourism, Sen. the Hon. Richard “Ricky” Skerritt were briefed by architects of Range Development on the concept plans for the Park Hyatt St. Kitts that will be situated at Banana Bay, Christophe Harbour on St. Kitts’ Southeast peninsula on Sunday.

The briefing followed two days of a creative retreat led by design architect Simeon Halstead of Arcadia Design Architects, landscape architect, Peter Imrik of Site Concepts International and interior designer Clodagh and Nancie Minh of Clodagh Design who met in St. Kitts over the weekend to refine the designs for the development of the ultra luxury resort Park Hyatt St. Kitts.

Design architect, Mr. Halstead, briefed Prime Minister Douglas, Tourism Minister Skerritt, Vice Chairman of Range Developments, Mohammed Asaria, and Christophe Harbour’s Phil Keb about the proposed flagship hotel design options.

Mr. Halstead said that the design team walked the entire 30 acre site, carefully examined the numerous spectacular views from all angles, and spent several hours fine-tuning creative ideas and plans for the Hotel & Spa Resort.

He felt that the two-day retreat on the island was critically important. “For me, it confirms that this is the right approach to a plan. I wanted to become more intimately familiar with the site and see firsthand views of the hillsides.”

Tourism Minister Skerritt said that the “comments from the design team, and the plans I have seen, confirm that this Park Hyatt Hotel will be a unique world-class resort product and will capture all that is special about St. Kitts and Nevis. I look forward to the start-up of construction by the middle of 2013.”

On July 10, 2012, in the presence of Prime Minister Douglas and Tourism Minister Skerritt, Range Developments signed an agreement to build and operate an ultra-luxury Park Hyatt hotel at Christophe Harbour, St. Kitts.

The Park Hyatt St. Kitts will encompass 200 hotel rooms, 50 branded residential villas, spa, pools, meeting facilities and three restaurants.



St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas (center) and Tourism Minister Sen. the Hon. Richard "Ricky" Skerritt (second from right) view the briefing session for the Park Hyatt St. Kitts

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