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### **BAHAMAS IMMIGRATION PRESS RELEASE**

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#### **62 HAITIAN NATIONALS REPATRIATED FROM GRAND BAHAMA**

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 at approximately 8:22AM, (62) Haitian nationals were repatriated from Freeport, Grand Bahama to Port-au-Prince, Haiti by joint Law Enforcement Officers under heavy escort onboard a Bahamasair charter flight.

This group of (62), comprised of (33) Haitian nationals who were arrested in New Providence for various Immigration Offences and (29) Haitian nationals from Grand Bahama of whom (25) were arraigned earlier this week in the Freeport Magistrate's Court.



In an effort to economize, the decision was made to have the New Providence Enforcement team along officers of The Royal Bahamas Defence Force joined Grand Bahama Enforcement team during this repatriation exercise. *Pictured are the Immigration officials conducting repatriation exercise.*

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**Mission Statement:** *To regulate the movement of people across the borders of The Bahamas so as to ensure the security, facilitate economic advancement and promote the harmonious social development of The Bahamas through the collaborative efforts of responsible government and non-government agencies both nationally and internationally*