





## For Immediate Release

Thursday, December 19, 2024

On Friday, December 20, 2024, at 10:30am-11:30 AST (9:30am-10:30am EST), SEDI-CASE & Pleion Group Inc/Connect Caribe will host a televised press event to announce the creation and official establishment of Pleion Group USVI, Inc/Connect Caribe USVI d/b/a Port St. Croix, a regional economic development operations, trade relation and cooperation. Connect Caribe USVI/Port St. Croix is a partnership with the Barbados-based, CARICOM Private Sector Organizations (CPSO) member consortium, Pleion Group Inc and its subsidiary company, Connect Caribe, a regional ferry service organization established to provide maritime transportation for the movement of people and cargo within the Caribbean for the purpose of enhanced trade and regional connectivity. The partnership is to establish St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (USVI), as the third (3rd) regional transportation hub to create a major Maritime Ferry Network of moving people and cargo throughout the Caribbean with CARICOM's member States of Barbados and Trinidad & Tobago as the two other main hubs to better connect regional economies in promoting and improving trade and commerce between the US and the Caribbean.

The Connect Caribe USVI televised special report press event announcement will provide an update report on current progress and implementation of Port St. Croix operations as one of the three (3) major regional hub, and a specific focus on the economic impact the Caribbean Americas Single Economy (CASE), "Making the CASE," on the USVI economy. CASE is a US Virgin Islands public private partnership, major public policy, and macroeconomic development initiative to ensure the USVI is more incorporated and aligned geopolitically and economically to foster trade relations. Using capital markets, technology and transportation to open new markets opportunities for local USVI businesses to export throughout the region.

Connect Caribe Special Report Press Announcement Televised Newscast: Connect Caribe St. Croix Hub Update!

- 1) Pleion Group USVI has been established. 2) Introduce Connect Caribe St. Croix, USVI Interface Website landing page.
- 3) Connect Caribe E-Shop & Cumin-The Marketplace E-Commerce collaborative interface webpage connection.
- 4) Frederiksted Hub (World Trade Center), the official satellite office for Connect Caribe St. Croix, USVI Hub.
- 5) CASE Capital Markets Formation and Structure Investment Banking Team & Alexander Hamilton Fund Manager has established and launched. SEDI-CASE: 2025 Economic Investment Summit, in partnership with Connect Caribe. The Official Unveiling of Caribbean Americas Single Economy (CASE) Agenda Overview and Mission.

**About Peion Group Inc.** Pleion Group Barbados is a maritime and economic development company with the purpose to provide a ferry service, e-commerce trade solutions, and agricultural development, encompassing the movement of people and cargo within the Caribbean and to see the integration of the Caribbean through a maritime corridor that facilitates the movement of people, e-commerce, agricultural development and trade within the region and with Africa and Latin America.

**About Connect Caribe** Connect Caribe is committed to creating a seamless maritime corridor that enhances the movement of goods and people across the Caribbean. Through innovative solutions and strategic partnerships, Connect Caribe aims to bridge travel, trade, and e-commerce, fostering economic growth and regional integration extending harmoniously to Africa.

**About SEDI, Inc.** SEDI, Inc, St. Croix Economic Development Initiative (SEDI) & Caribbean Americas Single Economy (CASE), a macroeconomic and public policy economic, research and development non-profit think tank organization is based in Saint Croix, US Virgin Islands. SEDI-CASE Business Summits have been held for the past two years in key major strategic US Cities and markets, building economic bridges between USVI and the US East Coast, and in Taiwan (Asia-Pacific Region since 2018).

To learn more about or to attend SEDI-CASE & Connect Caribe televised media press event announcement, please contact Mr. Anthony Weeks, Managing Director, at telephone number (914) 574-1213 for more details regarding this press release. Visit <a href="https://caribbeanamericassingleeconomy.com/news">https://caribbeanamericassingleeconomy.com/news</a>